General Meeting Minutes – November 11/10/2018

Call to Order by Dr. Mike Hartshorne

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> – John Gibbons

Total Cash Assets, October 6, 2018	\$245,899.81
Total Assets November 3, 2018	\$239,874.01
Less Encumbered Cash	\$146,046.61
Free Cash	\$ 93,827.40

This report was received, reviewed and filed for audit.

CMO Report – by Bob DeGroft in Rick Kirby's absence

To make Rick's job easier we've made some teams with key people heading them up. They have items assigned to them and cross-checking will happen and sign off in a folder on Rick's desk once they are done or what the status is.

The Root valve was tightened to a spec by Dave V and pressure tested to 50 psi, air. Valve packing leaked and will have to be re-packed Saturday.

Also discovered was a nipple that leaks on a nearby drain associated with the root valve. Needs to be removed and replaced before another test. Other piping nearby needs to be installed.

Piping to the compressors was blown out with compressed air and piping re-attached so compressors can be worked. A drain line was discovered broken off from one governor and needs to be verified that it has been repaired.

Radial buffer work continues so the tender was not separated on Wednesday. Fit problems still exist; more work required.

The bottom drain plug on the tender was removed and a valve installed. Drain hose was acquired and stored in the saddle bags.

Site track and tie work was started on Wednesday and should continue on Saturday.

The whistle needs permanent install but not until after any boiler air test. The cement needs 24 hours to cure.

In a conference with Anthony, he indicated that a small throttle leak is not a killer situation. The valves installed on the steam chests are just for that purpose. When they are open, any steam would be vented thru them so the engine would not sleep walk.

A plan must be made to insure that ALL pipe joints are tight and verified as so. Cumbres says that if a pipe is on the loco it is to be tight, never partially install a pipe. If it can't be put on tight it should not be put on.

Sight glass leak and valve problems need solution before any hydro is performed.

Dynamos we spun up and checked for output. #1 looked fine but #2 had some vibration and output was not equal to #1. Lubrication needs to be checked.

The condition of the storage units is deplorable with junk piled everywhere, especially the tool unit.

Eric Hadder, CMO Grand Canyon RR, visited the site late in the day and provided advice about dating on various hoses.

CSO Report – Jon Spargo

A new member occurred class last month with several new members.

Jon discussed safety items around the site.

Put things back where they go!

Rail Cars - Dr. Mike Hartshorne

ACME Iron & Metal are to get the two rail cars out for cost of metal. Garcia Automotive is taking the caboose away. All needs to be done by November 30th.

Fundraising

Casting sales are going well.

Christmas card campaign is coming up. Freeze labels on October 17th for Cathy and Gail to get the labels completed and to Dr. Mike by December 1st.

Calendars are still available for sale \$15.00.

Bob D., Karla, Doyle and Pat attended NM Hospitality Top Hat awards banquet that Julie put us in for. We didn't win, but we received a nice plaque.

RARG is November 17 & 18. Need volunteers to sign up for both days in the WHQ. It's at the Sid Cutter building south of the Balloon Museum.

Meeting Adjourned - Next Meeting December 8, 2018 at 8:30 AM

Submitted by, **Gail Kirby**Secretary, NMSL&RHS