

# **Potomac Division MER NMRA Meeting Minutes**

Saturday March 16, 2019

## **I. Call to order**

Andrew Dodge called to order the regular meeting of the Potomac Division at approximately 1:30 PM on March 16, 2019 at **Emmanuel United Methodist Church** 10755 Scaggsville Road, Laurel, Maryland 20723

## **II. Roll call**

No one conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Martin Brechbiel (by telephone), Andrew Dodge, Nicholas Kalis, Tom Brodrick, and Ernie Little

## **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

No one read the minutes from the last meeting

## **IV. New business**

- a) Andrew Dodge telephoned Martin Brechbiel and reached him
- b) Martin Brechbiel requested a few paragraphs from each new board member about how the mini-con performed. This is for publication in a future Potomac Flyer
- c) By Unanimous Vote, Martin Brechbiel was elected **District Superintendent**
- d) By Unanimous Vote, Andrew Dodge was elected **Senior Assistant Superintendent**
- e) By Unanimous Vote, Nicholas Kalis was elected **Clerk**
- f) By Unanimous Vote, Tom Brodrick was re-elected **Paymaster**
- g) By Unanimous Vote, Ernie Little was re-elected **Assistant Superintendent**
- h) Tom Brodrick distributed the latest paymaster's report
- i) The Board voted unanimously to adopt the paymaster's report
- j) Dodge announced his goals for the new board

- (1) Implement a bi-monthly program of activities to be alternate between Maryland and Virginia
- (2) Change *Potomac Flyer* to publish 6x/year
- (3) November 16, 2019 Mini-convention to be held jointly with James River Division of the MER
- (4) Board meeting to follow on November 30<sup>th</sup> 2019
- (5) Revise PD bylaws to conform to MER guidelines
  - (a) Term Limits
  - (b) Direct election of officers
  - (c) Voting in elections to permit email ballots and mailed in ballots
- (6) Improve PD website to make it more interactive
- (7) Pre and post- clinics tied to open houses
- k) Ernie Little requested email addresses of entire board – they were given on the spot
- l) Kalis requested help with his position as Layout Tour Chairman – needs someone to handle distributing certificates of appreciation
- m) Board agreed without a vote that the Division must implement a procedure to contacting by telephone each new PD member
  - (1) Brodrick volunteered to serve as the greeter for all new members residing in Maryland
  - (2) Ernie Little volunteered to serve as the greeter for all new members residing in Virginia (Little reminded the Board that he had many other responsibilities to other organizations)
  - (3) No provision was made for District of Columbia new members

## **V. Adjournment**

Andrew Dodge adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:30 PM

Minutes submitted by: Nicholas Kalis, Clerk

Minutes approved by: \_\_\_\_\_