Coachella Valley Model Railroaders, Inc.

Located on the Riverside County National Date Festival Fairgrounds Annual Membership Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2023

In club attendance were Alex Gregg, Gaylon McSmith, Ski Gruzalski, Jim Hundley, Richard Blackwell, George Thomas, Rick Mai, George Mendoza, Reade Miller, Ken Littleton, Lonnie McNew, Hal Ryoppy, Jim MacIntosh, James MacIntosh, Christian Rivera, Mark Pelton, Micheal Dowling,

Club President Alex Gregg opened the meeting.

Meeting called to order at 5:36 pm.

Reade Miller led us with a pledge of allegiance.

Alex mentioned that this is a mandatory membership meeting per California Non-Profits.

Reading of the minutes of last membership meeting on December 7, 2022, waived. Approved and passed.

Jim read the finance report, no outstanding bills and accepted by the membership.

No news about 2024 fair. The dates are February 16, 2024, thru February 25, 2024 Jim handed out the ballots for next year's board.

Alex emphasized again, don't pick up what's not yours. Be careful around track scenery, especially the signals while cleaning track or placing your trains on the track. If you see or break something and you can't fix it yourself, bring it to one of the club officers and write on the white board hanging on the cattle door what and where it is.

Gaylon suggested that we use some blue tape and write on it and put it on the handrail or facia board to mark the spot that needs repair. Then mark on the whiteboard and mark your initials so we can ask if there are questions if we need to.

All railcars must have Kadee or compatible knuckle couplers, metal wheels, no plastic. Also have a resistor axle on the last car so the layout detection can see if your train gets uncoupled. If your cars are lighted, then you don't need a resistor axle. The club has resistor axle for \$1.00 per axle.

Check and adjust your couplers as needed using the coupler gauge.

If you make a mess, clean up your mess. Also, if you see trash on the floor, please pick it up and dispose of it. Let's keep a clean building.

Roundtable open, George M. asked about the signals entering in the new extension, Gaylon mention that the signals were not working yet.

Jim gave the voting results; we had 7 mail in ballots and 17 from tonight's meeting, total of 24 ballots were cast. The results were unanimous,

Alex Gregg President Gaylon McSmith 1st Vice President Jim Daber 2nd Vice President Ski Gruzalski Vice President Lionel Division Jim Hundley Treasurer/Secretary

Meeting was closed at 6:15