

Museum of Bus Transportation
Board of Directors Meeting ~ March 1, 2016

Board Members Attending: Don Barlup, , Doug Campbell, Tom Collins, John Dockendorf, Ralph Fetrow, Constantine Mandros, and Ed Wolf.

Participants by phone: David Millhouser, John Oakman, David Schmidt, and Mark Szyperski

Absent: Jeff Goldwasser, Michael Laffan, Howard Nice, Robert Smith, and Ed Wolf

Also in attendance: Emma Crawford, Mark Lizewskie, Ken McNelis (phone), and Jim Tay

A quorum was declared and a moment of silence was observed for Victor Copestake who recently passed away and John Lenhart who recently suffered a stroke and is in rehabilitation at Ephrata Hospital.

AACAM Report

- Executive Director Mark Lizewskie provided an update on their organizations past, current and future planned activities. The highlights of his report included the following:
 - The board passed a balanced budget for 2016 at its annual meeting in Philadelphia last month.
 - The Museum held its Seventh Annual Wedding Show on February 28. The attendance of 400 individuals and 52 vendors exceeded last year's participation.
 - Mark, Stan Sipko and Nicole Pressel represented the museum at AACA's annual meeting in Philadelphia last month. The museum realized \$3,300 from its Friday night auction and \$22,000 in donations from the Presidents dinner.
 - The museum's annual volunteer appreciation dinner will be held on April 11.
 - The annual Easter egg hunt will be held on March 19 and 26 and will be like a scavenger hunt.
 - The museum has taken over the administration of the annual Cars by Critters event which will be held next month.

President's Report

- MBT received an award from AACA for its Bus Musing newsletter.
- Tom Collins purchased four mannequins from department store which was closing for \$240. They will be used to display historic bus uniforms which have been donated.
- AACAM approved MBT's request to amend the lease agreement.

Secretary's Report

- Secretary John Dockendorf confirmed that the members received a draft of the minutes from the February 2 meeting.
- **The minutes were approved.**

Treasurer's Report

- Ed Wolf distributed the latest Treasurer's Report covering financial activity through February 2016.
- Ed noted our operating income is running almost \$9,000 behind last year's amount and operating expenses are about \$10,000 below last year's.
- **The treasurer's report was approved as distributed.**

Gift Shop Report

- John Dockendorf noted there was not time to prepare a report; however based on preliminary information sales were approximately \$225.

Fleet Report

- Ken McNelis reported the following:
 - John Vickery has agreed to provide an alternator and selected parts for MBT's 4104.
 - The buses which Ralph Ciccone previously offered to donate to MBT are no longer available.
 - Matthew Rutowski plans to bring his MCI-6 to the Spring Fling this year.
 - The 20 ton air lift jack and the floor jack ended up costing \$356 instead of the estimated \$325.
 - Jim Tay reported that he is almost finished with work on the Aerocoach and indicated it will be completed in time to be displayed at the upcoming PBA marketplace later this month.

Proposed MBT Budget for 2016

- The proposed draft budget was distributed; however as it was incomplete, it was not approved at this meeting.
- A final draft budget will be provided for consideration at the April meeting.

New Business

- Jim Tay will identify the specific mechanical problems with the Santa Monica bus, so Tom Collins is better able to request help from CAT.
- Tom Collins reported that new board member John Oakman has agreed to be the keynote speaker at this year's annual meeting. John provided an overview of Coach US.
- David Millhouser encouraged MBT to consider taking a historical bus to more events especially state bus association meetings in nearby states.
- Constantine Mandros agreed to sponsor the Friday evening Spring Fling reception.
- Tom Collins reported that Premier Fleet is still working on the ACF Brill bus and Perfect Body expects to complete painting the Ford bus by the end of March
- Don Barlup indicated that he is ready to begin updating the evacuation plan
- John Oakman reported that a MCI-5C may be available. He recommended that MBT contact Keith Dillon at the Dillon Bus Company for further information.
- Ken McNelis indicated that he is aware of another MCI-5C that is available and volunteered to work with John Oakman on this project.

The meeting adjourned 8:25 pm

Next Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 6:30 pm

To participate by phone, call 866-423-8755, pin: 8393040#

Please advise Tom Collins if you are planning to participate by phone in advance of the meeting