



The Bulletin

**Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year !**



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Minutes of the December 2014 P&W Business Meeting

(Minutes corrected from previous edition)

The December 4, 2014 business meeting was called to order on at 7:44 PM by President Tim Skidmore.

Members in Attendance:

Ken Humphreys, Frank Steele, Jacob Riley, Robert Scism, Dick Miller, Tim Skidmore, Gene Austin, Bill Poteat, Larry Weed, Alan Coleman, Kevin Stine, Grant Robbins, Mike Outen Sr., and guests Keith Garrison and Joshua Garrison.

Financial/Membership Report: Treasurer Gene Austin reported a bank balance of \$4,199.33 prior to payment of our 2015 rental outlay of \$2,225.00 for rent and \$214.00 for our required fire and liability insurance. Our current membership roster is 18, thus our annual operating cost is \$135.50 per capita.

The Christmas in November event resulted in \$100.00 in donations; with only four members available for that event, the club did not have sufficient staff for a "greeter". A mid-week tour group of 8 people donated \$20.00. Discussion followed about moving the donation box outside the French doors.

Annual Election of Officers: Larry Weed moved that we accept the slate of officers nominated at the November meeting; Bill Poteat seconded. The officers were elected by acclamation.

The club's normal department reports were suspended in order to provide time for preparing the layout and museum for the Valdese Christmas Parade.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM by Tim Skidmore.

Submitted by Alan Coleman

The Piedmont & Western Railroad Club extends its thanks to member Jacob Riley for arranging the generous donation of a sheet of plexiglas by **Commercial Glass Company** of Shelby, NC.

Our thanks also go to Bill Poteat, who designed and built a frame for the plexiglas which now protects the Fontana Lake bridge.



Merry Christmas !
Our next event is the
January 8, 2015
Business meeting
7:30 PM Old Rock School