



# Carolina Southern Division

## Annual Meeting Minutes

### 2022

1. Meeting
  - a. The 2022 Annual Meeting for Carolina Southern Division 12 of the Mid East Region was held in the Conference Room at Newton Depot on Saturday, January 15, 2022. There was also a Zoom Meeting alternative.
  - b. Superintendent Alan Hardee Called the meeting to order approximately 10:00am.
  - c. There were 11 members present, and four members on Zoom, surpassing the quorum minimum of 12.
2. Superintendent's Report (included as attachment)
  - a. Alan Hardee briefly discussed highlights from his annual report.
  - b. Key events during 2021 included:
    - i. Primary emphasis on relocation of Wade's Train Town from Brookford to its new location in the Model Railroad Center of Newton Depot. Various activities spanned the period from February through October.
    - ii. Division Annual Picnic in September. The Picnic was held at the home of Jack Parker, MMR.
3. Clerk's Report (included as attachment)
  - a. Clerk Ed Gumphrey provided a brief synopsis of his activities.
  - b. His Annual Report to all in attendance and briefly discussed highlights from his report.
  - c. The Clerk contacted all other MER Divisions with initial submission of an information banner for the hosting of the 2020 MER Convention in October.
4. Paymaster's Report
  - a. David Thrans provided a summary of the Division's finances, indicating that the Division is solvent for 2021.
  - b. The written report was provided to The Superintendent. To ensure financial confidentiality, it is not included in these minutes.
5. Newsletter Report (included as attachment)
  - a. Editor Ed Gumphrey briefly discussed highlights from his annual report.
  - b. 12 editions of *The Brass Pounder* were published.
  - c. He emphasized the need for more article submissions.

6. Brookford Project Report (included as attachment)
  - a. Brookford Project Manager Gil Brauch, MMR briefly summarized the activities throughout the year (from February through October 2021) to successfully relocate Wade's Train Town from Brookford to its new location at Newton Depot.
  - b. He emphasized the need for more volunteers to staff the weekly open houses.
  
7. Elections
  - a. Andrew Stitt was elected as Superintendent.
  - b. Alan Hardee was elected as Assistant Superintendent.
  - c. Ed Gumphrey was reelected as Clerk for his third term.
  - d. Ed Smith was reelected to Director position, becoming Director 2025.
  - e. Joe Scorch was appointed to fill the remaining portion of Scott Perry's position as Director 2023.
  
8. New Business
  - a. Newly elected Superintendent Andrew Stitt made a few comments about the coming year.
    - i. The Division has a pressing need for a "home" for holding monthly meetings and he will lead efforts to identify and arrange a suitable location.
    - ii. A lot of effort will be needed by Division members to support hosting the MER Convention in October.
    - iii. Continued use of Zoom options to increase member attendance with be explored.
  
9. Superintendent Andrew Stitt adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:00am.

Ed Gumphrey  
CSD Clerk  
Editor, CSD Brass Pounder