1. Meeting called to order by Sandy Warrington o/a 9:30AM on Saturday, October 10, 2015. Nine members were present.
2. Sandy proposed that Eric Deets start as secretary effective immediately. Motion was seconded and accepted by all present.
3. General Election:
   1. Dieter has a name for every position and has prepared a ballot.
   2. The ballot was reviewed and a suggestion made to add a box to allow members to check their election.
   3. Dieter volunteered to contribute postage to snail mail ballot to every member.
4. 2016 Convention:
   1. Doug Egan signed up a guest speaker – Stephan Priest, member of the national board of directors
   2. Train Show Venue:
      1. Nothing yet – Sandy has a couple of possibilities
      2. Jim mentioned that venue should have staff to set up tables, chairs and electrical
      3. VBC wanted $100/table for 50 tables – high risk of making any profit
      4. Marriott will be reviewed and confirmed in March
      5. Use Madison Mall – perhaps too risky
      6. Doug mentioned that perhaps we need to scale back – don’t expect as many vendors and pack them in
      7. Sandy expects as many as 75 to 100 occupied tables based upon NMRA experience
      8. Check on business / industry for empty / rentable space – such as NGC, Sci-Quest and schools
5. Convention Committee meetings – Sandy requested that leads request needs / requirements and ideas
6. Raffle Donor Letters for raffle prizes.
   1. Doug Egan will prepare template
   2. Sandy Warrington will solicit list from Greenville of standard donors, to include those who actually responded
   3. Members sending the letters to their favorite modeling shop should have them include ads, business cards and or pens
7. There is a Mini-Meet in Crossville, TN on 6&7 November – 151 miles from Huntsville. For more information visit the website http://www.crossvillemodelrrclub.org/minimeet/index.html
8. Around the room:
   1. Ken Mattern is looking for volunteers to disassemble his old layout as he moves
   2. Jim Sims is looking for local expert for decoder installation
   3. Jim Norris mentioned that Decatur has approved the model railroad layout in the Depot.
      1. Layout is approximately 13 X 21 feet
      2. Construction expected to start o/a January 2016
      3. Finished layout will be added to convention visit list
9. The next meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2015 in the Bailey Cove Library at 9:30AM. NOTE: This the second Saturday of the month due to a Library schedule conflict. The December meeting will be the first Saturday