

THE MANIFEST

June 2023



Greetings All:

I hope this newsletter finds everyone well and enjoying the summer. Our run days so far this year have been well attended. We always need volunteers, so if any of you can help out, please be sure to give either Jerry, or myself a call, text or email and let us know. Also, we can always use new members, so please tell your friends and family, bring them to the park on a run day and show them around.

Many of you know Dan Wilkinson, who we sadly lost last year. Our story this month concerns Dan's GP30 Locomotive. Dan is greatly missed by all.

**Dan Wilkinson's GP30 Locomotive By
Allen Dobney**

Dan's GP30 was built in October 1962, #27635, FN 7628-19, as B&O 6918, Class FSE-5. It was reclassified Class GP-30 in 1964 and later rebuilt as Class GP-30M in October 1982.

It was renumbered 4239 in 1986 when it became CSX locomotive, Class GP-30M, in 1987.

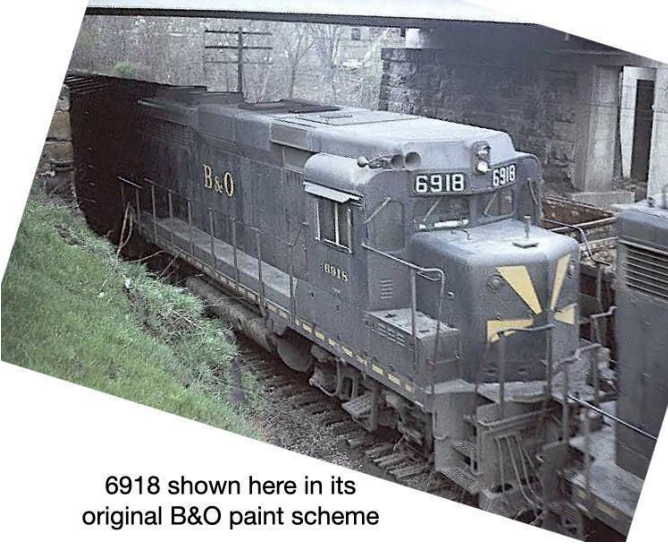
It was retired on August 29, 1995, and sold to Ohio. Central RR on December 7, 1995, It became [Columbus & Ohio River RR](#) 4239 in February 1996 and then [Arizona & California](#) as 3005 in May 1996.

It was transferred in September 1997 as [Puget Sound & Pacific](#) 3005. Dan Wilkinson acquired the locomotive in the late 1990's.

Dan donated the locomotive to the Southern Oregon Railway Historical Society in June 2022.

Since the GP30 never operated in our region the SORHS board decided to sell the locomotive and use the funds for continued restoration of Medco #4.

The restoration is currently progressing in White City. When completed it will be leased to the Mt. Hood Scenic Railway to haul their tourist trains.



6918 shown here in its original B&O paint scheme



6918 shown here in its Chessie paint scheme



Dan's GP30 as it appeared on the CSX as #4239.



Dan's GP30 on the Puget Sound & Pacific in 1998.

MINUTES

Southern Oregon Railway Historical Society Board of Directors/Regular Meeting May 9, 2023

1. Call to Order: By Bruce Kelly at 7:28 PM.
2. Roll Call: Officers present were Bruce Kelly, Jerry Hellinga, Allen Dobney, Chris Manley, and Ric Walch. In addition, there were several members present.
3. Consent of the Agenda: The agenda was approved by consensus.
4. Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the April 2023 meeting were displayed on the screen for all to see. Allen Dobney moved, we accepted the minutes as shown, Chris Manley seconded, and the motion passed.
5. Treasurer's Report: Jerry Hellinga presented the Treasurer's report. Chris Manley moved we accept the treasurer's report, and Allen Dobney seconded. The motion passed.
6. Committee Reports:
 1. Medco 4: No Update
 2. Burger Shack: Allen has painted yellow rails.
 3. Newsletter: Has gone out as Spring 2023

4. Website: No Update
5. Butte Falls: Ric Walch reported no update, meeting has been postponed.
6. Excess Sales: Allen reported \$3,100.00 to date.
7. RR Park: Bruce Kelly reported that the tents are being removed from behind the railroad park. Meeting for train show coming up. Allen has taken over for Bruce McGarvey at the train show.
7. Old Business: No update
9. New Business No update
10. Good of the Order: The person (unknown name) that has shown some interest in doing a documentary of the history of the railroad park was at a run day in April. No word yet as to whether or not he will do the documentary.
11. The fire extinguisher company will be updating the fire extinguishers.
12. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

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