

Western Locomotive Association Limited
Minutes of the Committee Meeting held at Bristol on
Saturday 1st October 2005

1. Apologies

Received from Ian Jackson and Paul Tucker.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 30th April 2005.

These were read and approved

3. Matters arising

3.1 The Dining car train and observation saloon special were both very successful and it was decided that these should be booked for next year. Partners are to be invited,

3.2 The Mid Hants Gala visit with D1013 was successful and we are to receive a fee of £750.00 for attending.

3.3 The invitation to attend the KWVR gala was declined but will be accepted next year subject to D1013 being fit to attend. There is a concern over the wiring; which is now life expired.

3.4 The photographic competition was judged with two entries received as at the time of the meeting. The entries are to be published in the magazine and the website and displayed at the Annual General Meeting.

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3.5 Leaflets have been distributed on Western Champion Tours and are to be distributed at the SVR diesel gala.

3.6 Development of the website is progressing well with an animated cutaway Western picture

3.7 The new leaflet is to include the objectives of the WLA. Steve Ashdown will develop the brief into a finished design.

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3.8 The minutes of the committee meeting are to be included on the website.

3.9 Taff John's ashes were scattered at Hampton Loade on the 12th August 2005.

4. Officers reports

a) Financial

- i) The Bank is being difficult over money held in a WLA deposit account despite the money in the current account having been transferred to the limited company. The motion to convert was passed back in 1999. This needs to be confirmed in writing.
- ii) Haydn Mudford has produced a resume upon the question of charitable status for the WLA. This needs to be considered at a separate meeting at 4 Trinity Place to be arranged.
- iii) We need to give members a form of words if they wish to leave us money in their will.
- iv) The balance sheet and financial report were discussed. (Attached herewith) It was decided that a brake should be put upon capital expenditure. Unforeseen problems have been discovered with the transmission, which has put the cost up. There is a chip on the large input gear wheel. It could go back together as it is but mainline running would be ruled out.

The calculations are as follows:

HLF grant=	£45,500.00
Received =	£22,750.00
Balance=	£22,750.00

Original quote=	£33,603.00
Paid=-	£20,000.00
Balance=	£13,603.00

Latest quote=	£44,025.00
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Paid=	£20,000.00
Balance=	£24,025.00
Possible cost=	£46,900.00
Paid =	£20,000.00
Balance=	£26,900.00
Money due from HLF=	£22,750.00
Shortfall=	£4,150.00

This sum does not take into account money granted for leaflets and the website development. There are also 'finishing off' costs in completing D1062 including replacing all four windows at £650.00 each.

- v). It was decided to run another appeal to the membership. The target is £6,000.00. This will be published in the next magazine. The target for completing D1062 is the 31st July 2007 when it is hoped to have a rerun of the 'Western Reunion' to celebrate 30 years of ownership by the WLA. Incentives will be as follows;
- >£1,000.00 Lifetime membership
 - >£500.00 Driver experience course on D1062
 - >£250.00 A cab ride on D1062

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b). Membership.

The membership stands at 272 which is made up as follows:

Adult	210
Family	23
Junior	5
Senior	25
Life	9

This is the highest level of membership for a number of years.

c) Publicity

Reports have been sent the usual publications.

There is no further news on the Oakwood video on preserved Westerns.

It was decided to write to Pip Dunn at Model Rail magazine

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d) Publications

The next magazine is due out shortly to be followed by a lineside in January 2006.

e) Engineering

The work carried out on D1013 and D1062 was detailed.

We will be obtaining parts from Booths Scrapyard in Rotherham at a cost of £200.00

5. Motions for the AGM

We have vacancies for members representative and sales officer.

It was decided to ask Neil Parsons if he would like to join the committee as members representative,

6. Any other business

It is proposed to run an 'obbo tour' in 2006 if there is sufficient interest.

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7. Dates of next meeting

Meetings are to be held in February, May and October 2006 at Bristol