## ELECTRIC RAILROADERS ASSOCIATION

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Founded 1934 - our 31st Year



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REPORT OF THE 1964 NATIONAL MEETING

Since our members are scattered around the world, only a few can attend national meetings. Hence our By-Laws provide that all business actions taken at such meetings are not effective for 50 days. Meanwhile, all members are advised of actions taken. If you were not present at the October 24th meeting, and you disagree with the actions taken (exclusive of nominations & appointments) you may write your opposition to the President, and if such objections in writing total 5% or more of the entire membership, and are received here on or before Dec. 17, 1964, the President is required to mail a referendum on such controversial subjects.

At this year's meeting, the assemblage had 9 By-Law amendments to consider. The 48 members who attended are to be credited with giving thorough & careful consideration to each proposal. All proposals were acted upon thus leaving no hold overs for next year's meeting. The amendment proposals are listed on the reverse side hereof along with a tabulation of how they were disposed of. Two of the proposals were amended during discussion and the final versions which passed are given in detail also on the reverse side.

## MISCELLANEOUS NOTES:

The annual election ballots along with biographical sketches of all candidates will be mailed to members in good standing before Dec. 1st. There were no additional petition nominations this year, hence the ballot will contain only those nominees selected by the nominating committee and listed in the notice of the meeting sent previously.

Recently a fourth room in this office building was added to our Head-quarters, thus making the E.R.A. the largest office tenant in the building. As a result we were able to obtain permission from both the realty agents and the owners of the building to name the building for the E.R.A. The actual final decision for the name is being discussed here, after which the design, material and arrangement of the name over the main entrance will be decided.

> HERMAN RINKE 1964 National Secretary

BY-LAW AMENDMENT PROPOSALS

|       |       | (Pro     | posal |       |        |         | to one another, and should be so considered.)   |
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| PRO-  | ART-  |          | 0. 1  | SEN-  | SEC.   | KIND OF |   |
| POSAL | ICLE  | PAGE     | SEC.  | TENCE | LINE   | CHANGE  | DETAILS OF PROPOSED ALTERATION DISPOSITION  |
| 1     | III   | 2        | 8     | 3rd   | Last   | Delete  | "but not ELECTRIC RAILROADS SPECIALS" Failed  |
| 2     | AI    | 8        | 1     | (0)   | 35     | Delete  | entire part (o) providing for ELECTRIC  RAILRO ADS SPECIALS (eff.in 1962)  - Failed   |
| 3     | IV    | 4        | 5     | lst   | lst    | Change  | Instead of "The Secretary", Section 5 - Pessed should commence - "The 2nd Vice-President & Recording Secretary"   |
| 4     | IV    | 4        | 7     | lst   | lst    | Change  | Same  |
| 4 5   | IA    | 5        | 11    |       | ,4,7,9 | M       | All references to the "Secretary" should  |
| 5     |       | 1200     |       |       | 9 8    |         | read instead - "2nd Vice-President & - Passed Recording Secretary"  |
| 6     | IA    | 5 sw not | 12    | lst   | lst    | Change  | to read as follows - "Within ten days after a Membership Meeting, the 2nd Vice-President & Recording Secretary shall prepare, and the Secretary shall distribute to all active members"       |
| 7     | IV    | 5        | 12    | 3rd   | 11     | Change  | "entire membership" to "active member- ship" - Passed   |
| 8     | VII   | 10       | 4     | lst   | lst    | Change  | Instead of "The Secretary", Sec. 4 to Passed as commence instead - "The 2nd Vice-Pres Amended -   |
| 9     | XIII  | 14       | 1     | lst   | 2nd    | Add     | after last word "govern" (comma) - "ex-<br>cept that procedural motions to lay on<br>table, postpone, defer, recommit, or any Passed as   |
|       | * * * | * *      | *     | * *   | * *    | * *     | pther such, which, in the opinion of the Amended - chair are made to prevent a due consider See below. eration and vote on a proper issue, shall not be accepted."  * * * * * * * * * * * * * |

PROPOSAL 5.:- It was decided to amend Sec. 3 as well as Sec. 4. The 2nd sentence of Sec. 3 to read: "In addition, the Second Vice President shall keep the minutes of Membership Meetings and of meetings of the Board of Directors, shall issue notices of all meetings except that notice for special meetings of directors called at the request of two directors as provided in Art. VI, Sec. 4 of the By-Laws may be issued by such directors, and shall perform such other duties in connection with Membership Meetings as are set forth in Art. IV of these By-Laws - - (rest of Section 3 remains as is.). Sec. 4 to read:—

"The Secretary shall have charge of the seal and the books of the association, shall conduct Meetings in the absence of the President and Vice-Presidents - - " etc.unchanged to end of Section.

PROPOSAL 9:- Art. XIII to read as follows: (after last word 'govern') add - "except that procedural motions to table, postpome, defer, recommit, or any other similar motion which, in the opinion of the presiding officer of the meeting, (or Parliamentarian in the case of Membership Meetings), are made to prevent a due consideration and vote on a proper issue, shall not be accepted."