

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
ROYAL ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF CANADA - HALIFAX CENTRE
June 20, 1997.

Present: Blair MacDonald, Shawn Mitchell, Dave Lane, Mary Lou Whitehorne, Clint Shannon, Pat Kelly, Ian Anderson, Murray Cunningham, Roy Bishop

Absent: Robin clayton, Greg Spearns, Dave Chapman, Paul Gray

The meeting was called to order at about 19h15m by Blair MacDonald, 1st V. President

1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda for the meeting was approved unanimously.

2. Approval of minutes from the last meeting

The minutes for the April '97 meeting were approved as ammended. (moved by SM, seconded by PK)

3. Business arising from the minutes

- none

4. Reports from members of the Executive

4a - President - no report

4b - 1st VP - no report

4c - 2nd VP - no report

4d - secretary - no report

4e - treasurer - no report

4f - NN Editor - no report

4g - Nat'l Rep - PK moves the DL be appointed as Alternate National Rep until the annual meeting at the GA. Seconded by SM, **motion carried**. MLW to send e-mail to Nat'l Sec'ty and Exec Sec'ty to that effect.

4h&i - Obs. Chair & Obs. C'ttee - there will be no potty for tomorrow's picnic at St. Croix.

4i - Nova East '97 - deferred in the absence of Paul Gray, event coordinator.

4j - librarian - no report

5. Meeting Report Volunteer

Pat Kelly. unanimously votes in again!

6. Sidewalk Observing

BM is asking for volunteers. Dates are: July 8-9-10 and Aug. 5-6.

7. Observatory Grand Opening: -

SM has the Star-B-Q organizing all under control.

8. Sky News

DL moves that the Centre support the continuation of Sky News bundled with membership. Seconded by CS, **motion carried**.

9. Auditor's Report

The auditor was pleased with the finances for last year. MLW will send report to Registrar of Joint Stocks as soon as DL passes along the Auditor's letter.

10. Lost Books

MLW went on a fishing expedition in Blandford, recent domicile of Esther Lorenz, delinquent book borrower. It seems she lit out for California and left no forwarding address, thus the books appear to have been lost for good.

11. Mirror, Mirror, on the wall...

DL moves that Joe Y's 17.5" mirror, if it becomes available and proves to be optically suitable (by testing by RLB), that the Centre purchase it for the St. Croix Observatory. Seconded by SM, motion carried.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

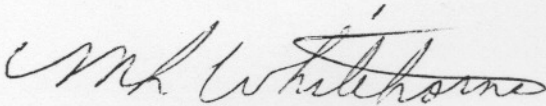
June 21: Star-B-Que (grand opening of the newly named St. Croix Observatory)

July long weekend - Kingston GA

July/August - sidewalk observing

September - Roy and Pat Cosmic Show

Meeting adjourned at 19h53 on a motion by Captain Shannon.



Mary Lou Whitehorne, Secretary, Halifax Centre RASC