

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
ROYAL ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF CANADA
HALIFAX CENTRE
OCTOBER 15, 1999**

Present: Clint Shannon, Dave Lane, Shawn Mitchell, Stephen Tancock, Dave Chapman, John Jarvo, Tony Jones, Roy Bishop, Michael Falk

Absent: Pat Kelly, Ian Anderson

The meeting was called to order at 7:14 pm by pres. Clint Shannon.

1. Approval of the agenda.

The agenda for the meeting was approved unanimously.

2. Approval of the minutes of the last meeting.

The minutes of the September 17th meeting were accepted by the executive committee.

3. Business arising form the minutes of last meeting.

No business arose from the previous meeting .

4. Reports from the members of the executive.

4a. President- A phone call was received from Clair Perry of an astronomy club in P.E.I. of approximately 35 members indicated that the club is intent on becoming an R.A.S.C. centre .

4b. 1st VP- No Report

4c. 2nd VP- No Report

4d. Secretary- No Report

4e. Treasurer- As of Sept.99 we have \$5413 in the bank \$70 in undeposited funds and \$244 is owed us from the Discovery centre .

4f. Editor NN- This issue will be out soon ,looking for articals for the Dec. issue .

4g. Nat'l. Rep.- There is a meeting next weekend but Dave will not be attending .Roy Bishop has resigned as editor of the handbook and David Turner is resigning as the editor of the Journal ,the search for successors for these positions is underway .

4h. Obs. Chair- A work party cleaned up the site at St. Croix but there is still more to do so another work party is being planed .

4i. Obs. Chair- No Report

4j. Librarian- No Report

5. Meeting report volunteer- none at this time .

6. Other Business

*A motion of the Star lab's insurance to be covered as a ryder on the insurance for the St. Croix Observatory and reimbursed to us by the Atlantic Space Sciences Foundation was moved by Michael Falk and seconded by Stephen Tancock, the motion was passed by the council .

*A possible letter to the H.R.M. about the new lights on the bridge was discussed .

*It was announced that Paul Evans will be the new observing chair .

*Dave Chapman suggested that a mini messier certificate for a 20 object mini hunt be supported by the centre as a way to stir up interest from new or young members . Dave also suggested