

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
ROYAL ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF CANADA
HALIFAX CENTRE
December 17, 1999**

Present: Clint Shannon, David Tindall (incoming pres.), Ian Anderson, Dave Lane, Shawn Mitchell, Paul Evans, Stephen Tancock, Dave Chapman, Tony Jones, Roy Bishop, Michael Falk

Absent: Pat Kelly, John Jarvo

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 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 November 19th meeting were accepted by the executive committee.

3. Business arising from the minutes of last meeting.

The letter of concern over the bridge lights was sent out to the bridge commission and several other places of government . A response letter with explanation's of funding and times of use for the lights was received . Council is planing to pursue the matter further .

4. Reports from the members of the executive.

4a. President-A Naturalist group from Chester have requested an observing session at the St.Croix observatory .

4b. 1st VP- No Report

4c. 2nd VP- The government bookstore requested handbook's calenders and b.o.g.'s for 2000 . Dave Lane motioned to right off the old b.o.g.'s Dave Chapman seconded the motion was passed by the council .

4d. Secretary- A request was made for any information of importance the secretary may not be aware of for the annual report .

4e. Treasurer- our funds are \$4446 in the bank \$2351 in investments \$1693 in undeposited funds and the Discovery center has paid it's bill .

4f. Editor NN- The December issue of N.N. has plenty of material and the letter about the bridge light's and the response will be put in a future issue of N.N. .

4g. Nat'l. Rep.- No Report

4h. Obs. Chair- No Report

4i. Obs. Chair- No Report

4j. Librarian- No Report

5. Meeting report volunteer- Ian Anderson

6. Other Business

*Ian Anderson motioned that we take the first procedural steps towards moving the Halifax centre of the R.A.S.C. 'S meetings to St. Mary's Stephen Tancock seconded and the motion was passed by council .

*Dave Chapman raised some points about the future of the centre's library . The council discussed the matter briefly and decided that the library is a subject for further discussion .

Stephen Tancock *Stephen Tancock*
Secretary
Halifax centre R.A.S.C.