

DAS Eboard Meeting Oct. 9, 2009

Present: Jack, Brad, Joe, Steve, Dr. Bob, Ron M., Tim, Dan, Wayne G.

Minutes of previous eboard meeting were read and approved.

DU Report: Dr. Bob thanks everyone who participated in LCROSS impact event and Steve for getting coverage from Channel 2. Star Party was held at the White House this week, which could lead to others. There are some surplus books left from the auction and would like to move the DAS books out. There is a new security plan on campus to rekey with deadbolts all doors, advisory will be coming out. Storage space for small scopes, larger items that are not applicable to PN, need to be stored off-site. Discussed 'goal' of additional building on north side of observatory with 40 to 50 person auditorium.

Pres. Rpt. - Ron M., reported Ginny Cramer is moving and has resigned from eboard. Discussion of filling the position with Norm Rosling. The by-laws were reviewed for procedure to appoint a replacement. Norm affirmed his interest and a motion was made for Norm to replace Ginny for remainder of the term, according to Article III Section 1.0 of the by-laws. Motion passed.

VP Report – absent.

Treasurer Rpt. Brad distributed budget. No details on net auction proceeds. Deposited \$1000 from Auction. Motion was made that proceeds go to the Van Nattan-Hansen Scholarship Fund, and book sale proceeds go to DU library in Chamberlin. Motion passed.

Van Nattan-Hansen Fund Rpt. Quarterly CU receipts turned over to Brad from Ron.

EGKDSS Rpt. Received a fund donation of \$20. Noted the lease runs until Feb. 2018.

Finance Comm. Rpt. Frank reported the new screen is in and other upgrade projects need Aaron's presence for installation, but he's not been available. Dr. Bob will 'prioritize' his hours and get with Wayne G. The Stellacam III was put in service for the LCROSS event.

Outreach – no report

Listserv – under new business.

Unfinished Business:

Reservation System -Chad Warwick discussion for eboard, no changes initially, but gets reports off it of numbers coming, if more than 6 it gets flagged and on top of the list. Might do special nights offered to party of 30, email can go out to team and team lead will call to confirm with head of party.

New focuser – 20 inch Clark – Wayne G., reports, focuser is machined, will get with Aaron build back plate.

Loaner program – S. Solon will take photos of loaner equipment to put on the website, Bill O., will sign out. Discussion of need for a ‘loan price’ policy. Motion that the policy is a \$100 deposit for 1 month loan renewable of a telescope with eyepiece. Required to be a member for 3 months. Motion passed.

Tentative C-14 telescope donation coming through Cathy Havens. Initial value estimated at \$10,000 to 11,000. Waiting on decision from donor. Discussion of accepting, general feeling was we should accept this and likely locate it at the EGKDSS in an observatory.

Proposed donation of ‘excess’ 8-inch SCT to Colorado School of Mines Astronomy Club. Mines club was looking to buy a scope. DAS has a SCT scope donated in March 2008 and an old Orange tube C-8 SCT. Motion made to donate the Orange SCT with tripod and wedge to the club. Motion passed.

Inventory – Wayne has label maker..

By-Laws review – Motion was made to table the review to next meeting. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm