

**DAS E-Board Minutes for
October 05, 2012**

Officers and Board members present: Ron Pearson, Pres; Lisa Judd, VP; Naomi Pequette, Acting Sec'y; Brad Gilman, Treasurer. Dennis Cochran, Sec'y, absent.

Board members: Chuck Habenicht (NSN), Dan Wray, Chuck Carlson, Joe Gafford, Jack Eastman. Naomi Pequette, Ron Hranac and David Shouldice were absent.

Observatory: Aaron Reid

Others members & guests: Bill Ormsby (Loaner Prog), Hugh Davidson (Public Nights), Justin Modra (City Dark). Darrell Dodge (EGKDSS) was absent.

Previous Minutes were read and approved as amended.

REPORTS:

Observatory. 2nd recertification class for Clark scope operators is 11/17. Hugh, Wayne and Scott are to be re-cert. Mt. Evans mirrors recoated, work started on replacing the dome, which should happen next week.

President. Adopt-a-Scope, to help club download some scopes: If club buys the Telekit, Mike Hotka would build it with our 17.5" mirror, which is a very good one. Ron: Mike needs to do a proposal to the Board. The mirror is at Stu Hutchins'.

A Colorado School of Mines scope: Neil P did a proposal to use the Ohmer 16", but their committee wants a modern scope, possibly in New Mexico. Ron: We need a storage locker for scopes. Dan W said garage-sized lockers about \$150/mo.

Ohmer's 16" dob: Discussion of this. The Ohmer scope includes an eyepiece box. Lisa: Make it New Business for November, meanwhile talk to DSS committee. Brad will look at cost of buying a large storage container. Chuck H made a MOTION to accept the Ohmer 16" scope and store it in the Secy's garage, which was volunteered. Ron suggested we dismantle the scope. The MOTION was PASSED.

Veep. Speaker for Jan '13 will be Dr. T. Ueta. Feb speaker tbd.

Job Jar: Nothing new. New Outreach person: discussion took place. Not many volunteers. This problem left dormant.

Secretary: No report.

Treas: Can't get to Keith Tillman at financial company. Brad changed our PayPal arrangement to be able to handle more money than before. Re the club roster: Darrell D & Ron P agreed we should drop it for this year. A roster person is an unfilled JobJar position.

Committee Reports:

EGKDSS: Darrell absent.

Public Nights: See re-cert news above. Dave Tondreau said it would be nice to know if PN crowd will be mostly kids so that programs can be changed accordingly.

The new IT person Scott Leach can change the reservations system SW to pick up kid statistics. We need a remote control for for the programs laptop. Dave T would like to limit PN crowds to 30. Also, should we require correct change for these?

IT: A new laptop for programs is at Ron's, will be given to Scott Leach.

Night Sky Network: Individuals can get City Dark DVD w/ no public showing permission for \$20. Sky Safari has a link to NSN.

Loaner Program: Short-tube 80 to Burt Watson. There are check-outs for PSTs in the book for which Bill O was not aware.

Van Natten: Tim P not here. Fund balance NA right now.

Outreach: Smart Girl meeting, which we'll support, is tomorrow. Naomi + one scope person going. The Valley Country Club event has been postponed. Doull Elementary School: Dan W, Chuck C, Jack E going 10/19. We also have volunteers to cover The Fort/Tesero Foundation event 10/11.

Old Business: City Dark: 1st showing at Darrell's UU Church 7pm Wed. 10/17.

We still need suggestions for more venues.

10/20 Sat. Astro Day: We have speakers & scopes for DMNS. Maybe show City Dark early in evening, inside or out.

10/27 Auction. DAS scopes: C5, 8" Odyssey, G11 mount, Wheelie-Bars. Brad & Dennis to do book-keeping.

New Business: Calendar review & discussion. Ron P & Joe G marked up copies.

12/01 Holiday Party: Lisa gone in Nov. MOTION from Chuck Habenicht: DAS buys the meat (ham & turkey) and the rest is potluck, and it will happen at Darrell's Columbine UU Church.. PASSED.

Adjournment: MOTION was made and PASSED to adjourn.