



## Denver Astronomical Society

### Minutes of February 2, 2018 Annual General Membership Meeting

#### Officers Present:

- Ron Hranac – President
- Lindsey Shaw - Vice President
- Ed Ladner – Secretary
- Mike Nowak – Treasurer

#### E-Board Trustees Present:

- July Candia
- Jack Eastman
- Joe Gafford
- Dan Wray
- Ed Scholes
- Brent Blake
- Sorin

#### MINUTES:

1. Call to Order at 7:30p.
2. Welcome and introduction
3. Introductions of new members and guests
4. State of the Society
  - 4.1. Dec 2017 ended with 507 members.
  - 4.2. Open houses and public nights have drawn over 5000 public attendees.
  - 4.3. Performed between 140-150 public outreach events.
  - 4.4. Learners' land has proven to be very successful (thanks to Leo Sack)
  - 4.5. In-reach program started and appears to be having a positive effect on member retention.
  - 4.6. Finances of the society are good (see Treasurer's report)
  - 4.7. Scholarship fund has a new chair; Megan Daniels (not present).
  - 4.8. Facebook and other social media appear to be having good exposure.
5. Treasurer's Report
  - 5.1. Attached Appendix A
  - 5.2. Multiple questions from the membership about the Scholarship fund. Questions need to be directed to the fund Chair, as the fund is a separate and distinct entity.
6. Announcements:
  - 6.1. External outreach (July Candia), plus Lindsey Shaw announcement

- 6.2. DAS E-Board meeting – Friday, February 9th, 7:30 p.m., at Chamberlin; members welcome.
- 6.3. Member In-Reach – Saturday, February 10th, 7-10 pm at DU's Historic Chamberlin Observatory: “Secrets and Tweaks for Go-to German Equatorial Mounts”
- 6.4. Dark sky weekend – Friday evening - Sunday morning Feb 16-18th at the EGK Dark Site, east of Deer Trail Colorado
- 6.5. February open house: Saturday Feb. 24th, 6:00 p.m.
- 6.6. Spring banquet: Saturday, March 3rd (Embassy Suites DTC)
- 7. Elections
  - 7.1. Voting must be current members in good standing.
  - 7.2. Open nominations for Board Officers.
    - 7.2.1.No new nominations
    - 7.2.2.Current nominees for board officers:
      - 7.2.2.1. Ron Hranac – President (incumbent)
      - 7.2.2.2. Lindsey Shaw - Vice President (incumbent)
      - 7.2.2.3. Ed Ladner – Secretary (incumbent)
      - 7.2.2.4. Mike Nowak – Treasurer (incumbent)
    - 7.2.3.Vote called to accept board officers (President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary) by acclamation. Call for vote seconded.
      - 7.2.3.1. Vote carried unanimously.**
  - 7.3. Executive board Trustee vote
    - 7.3.1.Opened for nominations.
    - 7.3.2.No new nominations.
    - 7.3.3.Closed for nominations.
    - 7.3.4.Presentations by nominees
      - 7.3.4.1. July Candia, Megan Daniels, Jack Eastman, Joe Gafford, Bill Kast, Dena McClung, Matt Romero, Ed Scholes, Sorin, Chris Ubing, Dan Wray.
    - 7.3.5.Vote Called by secret ballot. Call for vote seconded.
- 8. Presentation “Characterizing the Nearest Planetary Systems,” presented by Dr. Travis Metcalfe from the Space Science Institute.
- 9. Vote Results of Secret ballot
  - 9.1. Elected Board Trustees are: July Candia, Jack Eastman, Joe Gafford, Dena McClung, Ed Scholes, Sorin, Chris Ubing, Dan Wray.**
  - 9.2. The new board will be seated at the Spring Banquet on March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Embassy Suites DTC.
- 10. Meeting Adjourned.

**Appendix A:**

**Cash Balances as of December 31, 2017**

General Fund Checking	\$47,332.42
Dark Site Checking	\$5,038.84
Premier Time Savings	\$10,583.16
Time Deposit Savings	\$5,184.06

Business Premier Time Deposit Account \$10,024.11

**Total** **\$78,162.59**

## Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for 2017

### Income

Membership Dues	16,575.00
Banquets	2,975.00
Fees for Star Parties Provided	200.00
Open Houses & Special Events	2,712.15
Sales of Eclipse Glasses	1,458.00
Contributions - Unrestricted	446.00
Contributions - EGKDS Fund	2,434.00
Fees for Public Night	11,431.30
Contributions - VNH Schol. Fun	<u>4,004.04</u>

**Total Income** **42,235.49**

**Gross Profit** **42,235.49**

### Expense

#### Program Expenses

Newsletter	2,203.56
Dues to Astro societies & Other	1,960.00
Speakers	50.00
Website and Listserve	738.76
Member Events	4,370.39
Meetings	87.37
Open House and Special Events	268.60
Goods to Sell - Eclipse Glasses	621.20
EGK Dark Site Maintenance	555.00
Other Program Expenses	<u>870.51</u>

**Total Program Expenses** **11,725.39**

#### Supporting Expenses

Accounting and Legal	174.28
IT Expenses - small parts, etc	157.02
Bank Charges	114.00
Bank Fees- PayPal	582.36
Insurance	827.00
Other Supporting Expenses	<u>2,606.32</u>

**Total Supporting Expenses** **4,460.98**

**Total Expense** **16,186.37**

**Net Ordinary Income** **26,049.12**

### Other Income

Interest Income	<u>37.26</u>
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**Total Other Income** **37.26**

**Net Income**

**26,086.38**