

Alliance for Astronomy, Inc.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
October 29, 2009

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Alliance for Astronomy, Inc. was held at Cottleville, Missouri on the 29th day of October, 2009 at 5:00 pm.

The following were present: Joan Twillman, Erika Gibb, Marvin Stewart, Bob Judd, Jim Twellman and Wayne Clark. James Roe, the Executive Director, Yvonne Roe, Corporate Secretary were also present. Nancy Clark was a guest.

A copy of the notice for the meeting was presented and filed with the minutes of the meeting.

On motion properly made and seconded, the minutes of the meeting of July 23, 2009 were approved unanimously.

James Roe presented the Executive Director's report with the following high lights.

ED Roe presented the financial statements for the third quarter of 2009. The report was discussed and it was determined that Board Policies had been followed.

ED Roe reported that the 60mm Solar Telescope has arrived and will be used in outreach activities.

We have reached an accord with the St. Charles County Department of Parks and Recreation to provide telescopes to the observing site at Broemmelsiek Park. A 10-in Meade LX-200 telescope on loan from ED Roe has been installed in the roll off roof building and Alliance has paid for some modifications to the building to make it more usable.. Using volunteers from the Astronomical Society of Eastern Missouri, we have instituted weekly open houses at the observatory. A request to install Alliance's 16-in telescope and 32-in telescope has been made and a favorable decision is anticipated.

Seven new members of ASEM have joined since the installation of the 10-in telescope..

We received a donation of a 14.5-in Starmaster telescope which we valued at \$9,000. It will be used in our public outreach activities.

Also under old business, Jim Twellman reported that he and Bob Judd would have a report on the Board Strategic Plan at the next meeting.

The final disposition of the Whistle-Blower complaint against the ED was emailed to all Board Members on 12 October 2009 and a copy will be attached to the minutes.

The next meeting will be the annual election meeting. The terms of members Bob Judd and Jim Twellman expire and will be up for renewal or replacement.

For the record, it was noted the following terms of the Members of the Board

Bob Judd and Jim Twellman until January 2010
Amy White, Wayne Clark and Marvin Stewart until January 2011
Erika Gibb and Joan Twillman until January 2012

Upon motion duly made, seconded and approved unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Yvonne J. Roe, Secretary