

Alliance for Astronomy, Inc.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors September 22, 2010

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Alliance for Astronomy, Inc. was held at Cottleville, Missouri on the 22nd day of September, 2010 at 5:00 pm.

The following were present: Amy White, Erika Gibb, Marvin Stewart, Bob Judd, Jim Twellman (by teleconference) and Wayne Clark. James Roe, the Executive Director, Yvonne Roe, Corporate Secretary were also present. Nancy Clark and Barb Stewart were guests.

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 21, 2010 were approved unanimously.

ED James Roe presented the financial reports for the second quarter pending its ending September 30, 2010. Motion made and seconded to approve said statements and that they were in full compliance with Board policies as to financial management and reporting.

James Roe presented the Executive Director's report in which he noted:

- Public outreach activities continued during the third quarter at a brisk pace. September brings an upsurge in 5th grade camp outs at Cuivre River State Park and other such events. Five events were scheduled over the Labor Day weekend. The International Observe the Moon event was clouded out on September 18th but a total Lunar eclipse event was set for December 21. ED Roe conducted a class in astrophotography designed to increase use of the equipment at Broemmelsiek Park. ED Roe has scheduled a class on Beginning Astronomical Observing at St. Charles Community College.
- Membership in the Astronomical Society of Eastern Missouri continues strong with 65 paid members.
- The building plans prepared by our contracted architect were presented for preliminary review to the St. Charles County Parks. The Director of the County Building Division stated our foundation plan was inadequate and further opined that the cost of the building would be some three times what Parks has budgeted. Plans are to get together with him to find suitable, affordable foundation plan.
- ED Roe received an offer to donate to AfA a 14-inch telescope and other equipment. This equipment is located in Arizona and would have to be picked up – which ED Roe plans to do if the offer actually materializes.
- A digital SLR camera was purchased for use with AfA telescopes to expand our capabilities to offer astrophotography resources to the public.

Under new business, it was decided to extend the contract for the services of the Executive Director for one year. Upon motion, second and unanimous approval the Chairperson Bob Judd was authorized to execute the renewal which was accepted by ED Roe.

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

Bob Judd and Jim Twellman until January 2013
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 6:05 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Yvonne J. Roe, Secretary