

01/06/10 LCAAS Meeting Minutes

Present: Phil, Pete G., Gordon, Harry, Red, Jeff, Art, Jon

Call to order: Approximately 7:05 PM

Minutes read and revised per Red's email. Gordon moves to approve. Red seconds. Voted for.

Treasurer's report provided by Red. Jon moves to approve, Harry seconds. Voted for.

Old Business (10 min):

- * Membership renewals. - see discussion of constitution.
- * Budget for 2010 - Red supplied a suggested budget with typical categories.
 - Discussion of publicity budget.
 - Budget items discussed and filled out.
 - Gordon moves to approve. Jon seconds. Voted for.
- * Pete G. added a stud to the club equatorial mount to allow the azimuth adjustment bolts to work.

New Business (20 min):

- * 2010 club officer elections. Who may be interested in running for a position? See below for Constitution review.
- * Saturday at the Planetarium event (February 20th). See flyer.
- * Astronomy Day April 24th. Daytime solar and nighttime observing as usual. Paul to set up portable observatory.
- * Night sky network. Discussed and agreed to utilize. See <http://nightsky.jpl.nasa.gov>. Clubs can use this to schedule events, and non-members can even use it to request an outreach event.
- * Observatory update. Nothing to report.
- * Funding issues. Jon D. reported on the history of funding for the Hobbes observatory.
- * Constitution review.
 - Article III Section II states officers to be elected in March. Red is going to write a proposed amendment to move membership dues and office elections to Jan 1. As per the constitution, this should be put in the next newsletter for review by members.
- * Discussion of sending minutes and agenda separately from newsletter. Going to leave it for now.

Observing/equipment reports from members (20 min).

No public present. Watched presentation by Phil on night sky network.

Adjourned around 8:45pm.

MWR