

June 2018 Board of Directors Meeting

The Tucson Amateur Astronomy Association held its regular monthly meeting on 20 June 2018 at Banner UA College of Education. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM. M. Smith, President, Presiding. Board members present: M. McDowell, Treasurer, C. Hendricks, Secretary, E. Foley, D. Smith and B. Wheeler Members-at-Large.

Member Feedback: None.

General Announcement(s)/Discussion:

BOD Officer packets containing the following were passed out:

- TAAA Constitution and Bylaws
- Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment
- Conflict of Interest Policy
- Board Member Responsibilities
- TAAA Policies Approved by BOD January 2016 – present
- Schedule for 6:30 General Membership Meetings

D. Smith will be discussing a working group for those interested in beginning or continuing in various observing programs. He plans to hold a kick-off meeting later this year. Sign-up sheets will be available at the General Membership meetings.

Minutes of 9 May 2018:

E. Foley introduced motion to approve minutes. Seconded by M. McDowell. Motion carried.

Minutes of 23 May 2018 Special Meeting:

E. Foley introduced motion to approve minutes. Seconded by B. Wheeler. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

D. Smith introduced a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded by E. Foley. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Budget discussion addressed Minor Policy Committee Budget Reduction request which addressed fewer background checks than previously estimated. The revised estimate is believed to be more realistic. The consensus is that Star Party volunteers should not be

required to pay for their own background checks, and that the TAAA will pay for background checks when/where required.

D. Smith introduced a motion to approve the budget. Motion seconded by E. Foley. Motion carried.

New Business:

E. Foley presented a list of items in storage at CAC determined to be in excess to the needs of TAAA and are to be offered for sale to members or outside parties. These items are to be offered for sale to the TAAA membership, and any residual items are to be advertised on eBay.

B. Wheeler introduced a motion to declare listed equipment as surplus and advertised for sale. Motion seconded by D. Smith. Motion carried.

B. Wheeler introduced a motion to apply the first \$2,000 of sale aged assets to the operating fund and any excess funds be directed to the Gateway to the Galaxy fund raising campaign. Motion seconded by D. Smith. Motion carried.

M. Smith discussed the sale of GCSP T-shirts at the GCSP. Several people wanted to buy a shirt, but all popular sizes had been sold. Questions were raised about the possibility of ordering more shirts. The vendor still has the pattern and will give us a discount on the setup price as long as we have an order of 24 shirts. M. Smith went to Post Office for advice on how best to mail the shirts. Mailing to California would be approximately \$5.00 and \$4.50 within Arizona. After some discussion, it was decided that the effort required was not justified.

E. Foley announced that he and his wife will again host the Christmas holiday party on December 1, 2018.

Star-B-Q at CAC in October

General Membership meeting for December is moved to December 7th.

Adjourned at: 9:05 PM

Chuck Hendricks, Secretary