

September 2016 Board of Directors Meeting

The Tucson Amateur Astronomy Association Board of Directors held its regular monthly meeting on 14 September 2016 at University Medical Center. The meeting was called to order at 6:58. PM, B. Bailey, President presiding. Board of Directors members present: M. Smith, Vice President, C. Hendricks, Secretary, E. Foley, Treasurer, J. Kalas and P. Anderson, Members-at-Large.

General Announcements:

Amanda Brink, member of a committee sponsored by UA Human Resources called to ask if they could come and talk to us about our participation in a Human Resources Fair on Oct 12. C. Hendricks accepted action to contact her to determine specifics of her topic and offer her 15 minutes maximum at the next general membership meeting on 7 October 2016.

P. Anderson announced that Ron Kramer, newly elected Executive Secretary to the Astronomical League, and a recent new member of TAAA, would like to work with Paul as AL Coordinator and make an updated presentation to TAAA and all other astronomy clubs in this area.

Member Feedback:

None.

Minutes of 10 August 2016:

M. Smith introduced a motion to accept the August Minutes. Motion seconded by E. Foley. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

M. Smith introduced motion to accept treasurer's report. Motion seconded by J. Kalas. Motion carried.

Old Business: R. Gilroy questions if the new Nominating and Elections committee candidates can be presented to the membership at the October 2016. Board members indicated a desire to review the slate of candidates prior to the 7 October 2016 general membership meeting. M. Smith will coordinate this with Gilroy.

New Business:

E. Foley presented an overview of the fund raising committee meetings held to date. Members of the committee include T. Hunter, J. Jacoby, M. Smith, J. Knoll, E. Foley, and W. Lofquist.

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The most important item discussed was the need to go forward with the Night Sky Learning Center Capital Campaign. The campaign will provide a brochure to be presented to prospective donors, and suggest naming rights for donations made at specific levels. Campaign.

E. Foley then introduced a motion to approve facility naming rights at the levels presented below:

Donation Levels for Naming Rights for Night Sky Learning Center Capital Campaign

\$500,000 -- Entire campus (with no strings attached) (not to be advertised as part of the capital campaign).

\$100,000 – Learning Center Building.

\$50,000 – Sleeping Quarters Building.

\$35,000 – Tent Camping Area, Existing Roll-Off Roof Observatory, Restroom Building or Ramada.

\$15,000 – Kitchen or Classroom.

\$5,000 – Each of 12 Bedrooms.

A membership roster (names only – no contact information) is to be provided to the consulting service to determine if there are prospects who might be approached during the campaign.

The motion was seconded by M. Smith. Motion carried.

M. Smith opened a discussion relating to the purchase of Polo Shirts for members who volunteer their time to assist with Astronomy Services. After some discussion, no consensus was reached, and the matter was deferred to the next meeting.

J. Kalas questioned the membership report which shows more than 80 members in a delinquent status. John questions the procedure to track membership. This item was inadvertently omitted from the agenda and further discussion is to be deferred to the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn. Adjourned at 9:10