MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT CITY COMPUTERS, CHAPEL ST ON 20/2/91 Present: B.Lawrence, R.Jarmain, S.Dale, J.Watson Apols: V.Collingwood 1. Meeting commenced at 5.30 pm - minutes of previous meeting accepted 2. Matters arising a) Cards of sympathy sent to families of Beth Coertze and Russell Giles b) Dictionary (Eng/Afriks Astronomical) ordered from Potch University c) Letter of thanks written to Arthur Arnold. d) Saturday morning display at Natal Soc Library confirmed for 13 July 1991. 3. Membership a) Dr Diane Grayson (Prop: J.Watson Sec: R.Jarmain) b) Jonathan Swift has paid subs - JW to send Membership Application form. c) Dr Wilf Coombes emigrating to Canada in April d) Ron Dale in hospital e) Brenda Morton back after several years (r) Death of Dr Russell Giles after long battle with cancer. 4. Correspondence a) Letter from K.Rasmussen (prospective member) - going overseas for a year. b) Newsletter from SANEL c) Circulars No 14 received from Astronomical Observatory at Sutherland. d) RJ sending monthly contributions to 'Maritzburg Views' - asked if they could publish a special article on Astonomy in Pietermaritzburg. 5. Treasurer's Report a) Reminders re overdue subs etc going out every month - response has been good b) Balance on hand R 706 (1991 ASSA Handbooks paid for ) c) JW to send out reminders to other Centres re bumper stickers (pay or return) 6. Planning March 13/3/91 - Tim Chance to talk on Astronautics 16/4/91 - BL to get videos from British Council Library April possibility of using facilities at ICFR ? 8/5/91 - JW to write to Natal Centre re visit May 7. Library No report - RJ suggested starting a photo album - we had a scrapbook ? 8. General

- - a) JW to organise a rubber stamp for return address on envelopes
  - b) JW to update and print a new membership list for distribution
  - c) Data on monthly planetary positions to be published in 'Stardust'.
  - d) Invite Danie Overbeek down for a weekend Astro workshop SD to contact.

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e) Project Palomar at a standstill following G.P's move to a new house - need to revive interest and finish the polishing.

9. General

- a) Encouraging news from B. Tarr re possible venue at Bot Gardens.
- b) SD gave talk on Astronomy to Women's Institute.
- c) JW has had a call re revival of Astronomy Club at Woodlands High School
- d) We still need to do something about
  - i. Circular to all high schools offering our services
  - ii. Mr Turk's adult education programme in Astronomy.

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