

Astronomical Society of South Africa
Cape Centre

Minutes of Meeting of Committee Monday June 27, 1932

Held at Canalea Malleon Road Bloubaan at 8pm

By kind permission of Mr. & W. Long.

Present Mr. J. B. Horrocks in chair

Messrs. Long, Pratt, McIntyre, Burrell & the Hon
Secretary

Mr Long said that he had received messages of apology
for non-attendance from the following. Messrs.

Leary, Cameron & van Watson. Mr. Mason was
absent ^{on a visit to} Durban.

Minutes of meetings of Committee meetings held
February 17 and February 28 were read & confirmed

Business arising out of Minutes

The Secretary reported that thirteen volumes of the B. S. A.
Journal had been bound and were now in the library
of the Centre, volumes ~~1~~ ¹ to 40 were now complete.

Mr Long reported that he had been in correspondence
with Mr. Corrie regarding the ^{B.A.A.} discontinuing to
supply the Journal. This appears to have been due to
some misunderstanding. The Journal would be sent
again - but would in future be addressed to the
Secretary of the Society as an exchange copy.

At a meeting of the Council of the Society it had
been resolved that the custody of these journals
should be with the Cape Centre.

The requests of various persons for addresses at meetings
of the Centre, the Secretary reported as follows.

He had interviewed Rev. Andrew Graham who
had promised a popular lecture for the meeting
of May 18. but on that date Mr Graham was
indisposed and other arrangements had to
be made.

A letter written to Mr. Nees elicited a reply that this gentleman was willing to give a talk on 'finding and figuring a spectrum' during the third school term of the year. It was resolved to accept Mr. Nees offer.

The Secretary read an extract from a letter received from Dr. Parasherospoulos, in which he said that it was possible that he would visit Cape Town when the pressure of work connected with the installation of the 60 inch reflector at the Boyden Station was completed, when he would address the members of the Society.

Room of Meeting

The Secretary read correspondence from the Mountain Club, stating that the lease of the room at Benson House having expired, that a room had been secured in the Chambers of the Standard Bank at the Branch of J. J. J. J. and requesting this Society to continue to hold the meetings in this room. The Secretary stated that he had consented to the Society's Book cases being removed to this room and that two meetings to complete the date booked with the Mountain Club were held here but he had not given any undertaking that the Society would continue to meet there. There was a feeling that this room was unsatisfactory.

Mr. Long & the Secretary gave information regarding rooms they had inspected at the Board of Executors and the General Estate and Orphan Chamber.

Mr. Horrocks reported result of enquiries regarding the room in which the Royal Society S. S. meets. After discussion it was resolved that the Secretary be instructed to engage the Mountain Club's room for the Annual Meeting to be held

on July 20 next and that the Mountain Club be informed that the advisability of continuing to hold the meetings there, was necessary for consideration of the Committee.

(2) That further consideration of changing the place of meeting be left to the incoming Committee.

Membership

Mr A W Long nominated as a new member

Mrs Isabel McDougall 50 Russick Street. Knickerbocker
this was seconded by Mr McIntyre and passed for election.

The Secretary read letters of resignation from the following members. Mr. W. Inglis Mrs. E. H. Mitcheson

Mr R C Shipman and Mr J R Lawton

It was resolved to accept these resignations Mr Lawton's to date from July 1. In the special circumstances attending Mr Shipman's resignation the Secretary was instructed to invite him to attend meetings as a guest when opportunity offered.

The Hon Treasurer stated that in compiling the register required by Society's Bye-Law 2 it appeared that some members who had been reported as being in good standing appeared to be owing arrears subscriptions

After discussion in which the belief was expressed that some of the discrepancies were due to errors of bookkeeping; it was resolved that notwithstanding any apparent lapses that the following members be considered to be in good standing on the dates appended to their names.

Mr Bennett June 30. 1930

Mr J. McKenzie June 30 1931

Mrs C A Dutton Messrs H. C. Mason J. B. Turner
and A. H. Wallis June 30 1932.

The Secretary reported that a new member Mr E. Fodish of Looe had been nominated at the April Meeting and elected to membership at the May meeting, the committee had not met in the interim to consider the nomination. It was resolved to condone the omission.

Annual Report and Financial Statement

The Secretary read a draft Annual Report for the Session ending 30 June. After consideration and certain amendments being effected it was adopted for presentation at the Annual General Meeting.

The Hon Treasurer presented the Financial Statement prepared for Audit. After discussion this was also adopted for presentation at the Annual Meeting. A discussion took place regarding a programme for the Annual Meeting it was resolved that after the business meeting that the meeting resolve itself into a conversational meeting at which objects of Astronomical interest should be exhibited and that members be invited to provide such exhibits. This concluded the business the meeting terminated at 11.45 pm.

* Details of Treasurer's Statement

Balance 30 June 1931.	£ 14. 6 6	
Receipts	£ 68 6 9	} £82. 13. 3
Expenditure	£ 79 18 7	
Balance carried over	2 14 8	} £82. 13. 3

A Foxcks

acting chairman

3 July 1933

THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTH AFRICA.

CAPE CENTRE.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE, 1932.

R E C E I P T S:

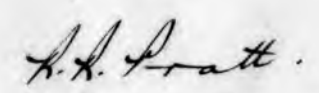
P A Y M E N T S.

		£. s. d.			£. s. d.
Balance in hand 30th June, 1931		14. 6. 6.		Contributions under Article IX of Constitution.....	33.14. 1.
Subscriptions:	£. s. d.			Donation to Astronomical Society.....	10. 0. 0.
Arrears.....	6.16. 6.			Rent of Meeting Room.....	10. 0. 0.
Current Year.....	57.19. 3.			Rent of P.O. Box.....	1. 5. 0.
In Advance.....	<u>2.12. 6.</u>	67. 8. 3.		Typewriting and Stationery.....	4.13. 0.
Subscriptions to "Cape Times".....		6. 0.		"Cape Times" and Postage to Country members.....	4.1. 3.
Commission on cheques.....		3. 4.		Subscription to Astronomical Society of the Pacific.....	1. 2. 10.
Amount received from Astronomical Society adjusting account for Register.....		7. 9.		Folders for Star Maps.....	18. 0.
Adjusting error between cash book and bank statement carried forward from previous years.....		1. 5.		Register for names of members.....	4. 0. 6.
		<u>£82.13. 3.</u>		Binding B.A.A. Journals.....	3. 5. 0.
				Secretary's Expenses.....	3. 7. 0.
				Treasurer's Expenses.....	1. 0. 0.
				Bank Charges.....	2. 1. 11.
				BY BALANCE.....	<u>2.14. 8.</u>
					<u>£82.13. 3.</u>



July 15th 1932

Hon. Auditor.



Hon. Treasurer.

14-7-32.

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CAPE CENTRE:

Bank Balance on 30th. June, 1931.

Balance as per Cash Book.....	£ 2.14. 8.
Cheques Outstanding : £4. 9. 3.	
4. 0. 0.	
<u>1. 0. 0.</u>	<u>£ 9. 9. 3.</u>
Balance as per Bank Statement.....	<u><u>£12. 3.11.</u></u>

S. H. Pratt

Hon. Treasurer.

14-7-31.