

Astronomical Society of South Africa (Cape Centre)

Committee meeting held at 7 Perth Road, Observatory at 8.15 P.M. on August 3, 1934. Present: Mr. H.W. Schonegerel (in the ^{and} Chair), Messrs D.G. McIntyre, R. Watson, W. Andrews, R.R. Pratt, and the Hon. Secretary.

The minutes of the Committee meeting held on 2nd July 1934 were read and confirmed.

The Hon. Treasurer reported a balance in hand of £15.11.11.

The Hon. Secretary proposed that a fund, to be called the Astronomical Society (Cape Centre) Telescope Fund, be established, for the purpose of procuring an observing instrument for the use of members of the Centre.

Mr. R.R. Pratt seconded the motion, which was ^{passed} ~~adopted~~ unanimously.

Mr. D.G. McIntyre moved that an account, to be known as the Astronomical Society (Cape Centre) Telescope Fund, be opened in the Cape of Good Hope Savings Bank; and that the Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer of the Cape Centre be jointly authorised to operate this account. Mr. R. Watson seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. R.R. Pratt proposed that the sum of five pounds (£5) be transferred from the funds of the Centre to the Astronomical Society (Cape Centre) Telescope Fund, and paid into the Cape of Good Hope Savings Bank account. Seconded by Mr. Watson, the motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting ^{accepted} ~~adopted~~ the resignation of the Rev. E. Firth, of Fort Beaufort.

The Hon. Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. J. Butler of Blaauwburg Strand, who last paid his subscription for the session 1930-31, advising him that the Committee was willing to accept 2 guineas as payment of arrears, and that he would

be classed as a Country Member in future, with a consequent reduction in his subscription from one guinea to 10 shillings and sixpence.

The Hon. Secretary was also instructed to advise the following new members that they had not ~~fulfilled their~~ paid their due subscriptions within 60 days of election. Mr. A. Brittain, Mr. R. H. Dick, and ~~Mr. H. Birdwood~~.

In addition, Mr. A. Benzsch was two years in arrears, and the Hon. Secretary was asked to bring this fact to these members's notice.

The Committee was informed that Mr. W. H. Smith had withdrawn his resignation.

After discussing matters relating to the next and following ^{ordinary} meetings, ~~the~~ of the Centre, the meeting ended.

Wm Andrews. 3/4/35