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1951 February 28

Held at Royal Observatory

Present: Mr. A.W.J. Cousins in the Chair; Messrs. E.H. Tibbitts, H.C. Davies, C.A. Wall, W.A.T. Schirach, R.J. Johnston, R.B. Borchards, R.E. Turnbull and J.B.P. Downer. Dr. R.H. Stoy later joined the meeting by invitation.

The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 6th September, 1950, were read and confirmed, after which the Treasurer's Statement, showing a credit balance of £14.2.5, was read and adopted.

Applications for student membership for the following were approved: Miss A.Y. Mengies, c/o Royal Observatory, proposed by Mr. J.B.P. Downer, seconded by Mrs. E. Mengies; Miss M.J.G. Downer, " " " " " " " " " " " " "

The arrangement of duties at the 6" telescope on Visitors' Nights, and the responsibility for observing programmes on such occasions, was handed over by Mr. Borchards to Mr. H.C. Davies, who had recently returned from his duties in Pretoria.

Dr. R.H. Stoy at this point joined the meeting, which, as requested by Council, arranged for the April meeting of the Centre to be devoted to the La Caille Bicentenary. It was agreed that the speakers on April 11 should be Prof. G.H. Mengies, Dr. D.S. Evans and Miss M.K. Jeffreys, and that invitations should be extended to: The Royal Society; The Survey Society; The Irish Survey; The Assn. of Land Surveyors; and the Assn. of Scientific Workers, these arrangements being made at the request of Council. With Dr. Stoy's permission it was arranged that the meeting should be held at the Royal Observatory. It was also arranged that Mr. R.B. Borchards should speak at the Centre's June meeting.

The Committee noted a request from Council that the Centre should be responsible for circularising local schools in connection with the Council's School Essay Competition and instructed the Secretary to take the necessary action.

It was arranged that the next Committee Meeting should be held on 11th April, 1951, immediately before the Cape Centre meeting.

There being no further business the meeting then adjourned.

W. Schirach
vice Chairman