

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held at the Royal Observatory on Wednesday, 31st July, 1963, at 5.30 p.m.

Present: Mr. J. Simeshoff in the Chair,
Dr. A. Cairns and Messrs Atkins, Bentley, Bondiotti,
Krum, Simeshoff, Sinks, Weinberg, Wellgate and
the Honorary Secretary.

The Secretary read the minutes of the previous Committee Meeting, which were confirmed.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Bondiotti for acting as Secretary during the latter's absence, and congratulated Dr. A. Cairns on his having been presented with the Gill Medal, ~~adding~~ also the expressing pleasure at Dr. Cairns' recovery from his illness.

The Annual Report, drafted by the Secretary, was read and discussed, and ^{approved} subject to the addition of ~~minor~~ details of ~~past~~ ^{past} members attending meetings.

Provisional nominations for an incoming committee were then discussed. Mr. Weinberg felt that the Committee should not undertake provisional nominations, but it was generally agreed that Members at a General Meeting expected a lead in this regard.

Messrs Atkins & Weinberg agreed to officiate at the visitors night on 10th August.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Sinks for his regular assistance at visitors' nights.

After a brief discussion about the ownership of the planetarium donated by Mr. Bentish, in which it was explained that the device was the property of the Society in the keeping of the Cape Centre's telescope making section, the meeting adjourned at 6.30 p.m.

G. L. Atkins
14/8/63.