

Minutes of the Committee meeting, held at  
the Royal Observatory at 8 pm on 22<sup>nd</sup> September  
1966.

The chairman Mr Bonchiatti presided  
and Messrs Fairall, Logerweij, West, Weinberg, Han  
Atkins, South, Bentley & Malgouyres were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were  
read and confirmed.

Mr Bentley was proposed and unanimously  
elected as the Centre representative to the  
Society.

Mr Scoble reported that the  
finances were in a quite good position  
with R202.64 in the bank. He also reported  
a very generous donation of R10.00 from  
Mr Fairall.

Discussion ensued on the Dome and the  
mounting. Mr Logerweij mentioned the "9"  
Dome in Johannesburg in which the supporting  
wheels were inserted.

Mr Bentley was requested to ask Council  
for the use of the 5" telescope first of  
all or for use while the 12" was under  
construction and then, possibly, as the  
finder for the 12".

Discussion ensued regarding the increase  
of centre fees from 50c to R1.00 & it was  
agreed that students should only pay  
25c.

Mr Fairall advised the meeting that  
he had arranged for Dr R.T. Wild of the  
Observatory Dept of U.C.T. to speak at the meeting  
on ~~the~~ Sept 14<sup>th</sup> on "The Hydrogen Line in Radio

Radio Astronomy"; and that Mr G. Brentt  
would address the October meeting on Computers.

After discussion the committee agreed  
that a future meeting would be held at  
the Planetarium. Mr Small agreed to lecture  
at the Planetarium at the meeting on Nov. 9th.

Discussion then ensued in regard to  
the annual observation evening usually held in  
February each year and it was unanimously agreed  
to drop ~~the~~ this evening. The Vice-Chairman  
undertook to speak to Dr Stoy in this regard and  
to arrange for Dr Evans to speak on his  
recent stay in U.S.A.

Rec. duties were assigned:-

Spt meetg. Messrs Aitken & Howe.

October " Messrs Weinberg & West.

Nov " - Planetarium.

Feb. " Messrs. Bentley & Saville.

Mr Howe requested that the Centre  
purchase a kettle for tea-making & that  
it should be kept in the Den - Agreed.

Mr Weinberg suggested that prices a  
summary of lectures to the Centre should  
appear in M.N.A.S.S.A. This was agreed to.

Mr Aitken suggested that Paarl Telescope  
Makers Society should be invited to come to  
our meetings and to tell us about themselves  
- their aims, what telescopes they have  
made and are making and their observational  
properties.

There was no further business &  
the meeting closed.

W. Aitken