

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE CAPE CENTRE HELD
AT THE S.A.A.O. ON THURSDAY 1977 APRIL 28 AT 20h00

Present: The Chairman Mr C.H. Larmuth, the Honorary Secretary Mr G.H. Larmuth and Committee Members Miss P. Booth, Messrs J. Churms, H.B. Molyneux, N. Saville and C.R.G. Turk. Apologies for absence were received from Mr W. Grimwood.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 1977 January 18 were read by the Secretary and signed by the Chairman as correct.

Arising from these minutes Mr Churms reported that the 4 inch refractor had been renovated and mounted on the Ron Atkins Telescope. It was agreed that the Secretary should write and thank Mr D. Ellis of the Observatory staff who had done a magnificent job. The mirror of the 12 inch had also been re-aluminised so the telescope was now in working condition except for some additional counterweights. Four keys had been issued so far to members wishing to use the telescope.

The committee approved the appointment of Mr H.B. Molyneux as auditor for the Cape Centre Endowment Trust for the year ended 1976 December 31.

The Honorary Treasurer, Mr N. Saville, reported that the Centre had R182,91 in the bank at this date. 67 members having paid their subscriptions for the current year.

Possible speakers were discussed for the June meeting. Mr Churms and Mr Turk were to arrange one between them.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on August 10 and the Secretary agreed to find out if Dr P.B. Byrne can change his talk to July 13.

The question of office bearers for next year was raised. Miss Booth agreed to be Vice-Chairman and other possibilities were:-

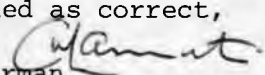
Mrs Y.S. Middleton as Secretary
Mr V. Duveen as Chairman
Dr J.F. Dean
Dr L.H. Holroyd
Mr K. Burke

Mr Churms agreed to approach Dr Dean and the Secretary would contact the others.

The Secretary raised the question of public liability insurance now that the Ron Atkins Telescope is likely to be used. Mr Turk agreed to make enquiries from Mr Gray of Durban who had arranged the insurance of the Society's telescopes.

The meeting closed at 21h45.

Signed as correct,


Chairman.