

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Astronomical Society of South Africa, held at the Royal Observatory, Cape of Good Hope, on Monday 26th June 1933, at 8-15 pm.

Present

Mr Long in the chair, Messrs Andrews, McIntyre, Seers, Pratt, Schonegevel, Smith and the Hon Sec

Capt. Cameron-Bryan sent apologies for being unable to attend, and Messrs Jarey, Mason and Burrell were away from Capetown.

Mr Wood had invited Mr Seers to act as alternate in the absence of Mr Mason.

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Durban Centre A copy of their resolution by which the amalgamation was effected had been received. It was agreed to ask for a copy of their rules and byelaws.

Arschel Memorial - The secretary reported that the Town Clerk had replied to his inquiry saying that the registration of the title to the reserve etc was receiving attention. The subcommittee was empowered to approach other bodies in the name of the Society with a view to their cooperating to form a general committee to organise centenary ~~activities~~ activities.

Pamphlet

The Journal Committee reported that the pamphlet containing the account of the presentation to Dr Spencer Jones had been printed and was ready for distribution. It was decided to send a dozen copies to Mrs Spencer Jones.

Mathematical Section

Ten people had expressed willingness to cooperate. On the proposal of Mr Schonegevel seconded by Mr Pratt it was agreed to form such a section and to appoint Mr Allatson as director.

The Financial Statement showed a balance of £ 21 - 14 - 6.

Journal Committee. There was nothing further to report. It was agreed that a supply of the last issue of the Journal should be sent to Durban for distribution to the Natal members.

Nominations for office and membership of Council. Lists of members submitted by the centres in reply to requests for lists of those qualified to vote showed: Cape 58, Johannesburg 17, Durban 14. The respective quotas on the Council ~~are~~ are 8, 2, 2. The following nominations were received:-

President: W. McIntyre

Vice Presidents: Dr Jackson, Dr Rossiter, W. Sutton

Hon Secretary: W. Horrocks

Hon Treasurer: W. Smith

Council: Messrs Houghton, Long, Schongever, Pratt, Jearey, Capt Cameron Swan, Messrs Leers, Andrews, Wood, Forest, ^{Dr} Forbes, Wickes

Auditor W. Steer

Annual Meeting. It was left to Mr Long to secure a suitable room for the meeting on the 26th July.

If Dr Spencer Jones did not express any wish as to who should occupy the chair in his place, it was agreed to invite Capt Cameron Swan to do so, and failing him, Dr Jackson.

Honorary members: It was agreed to elect Dr Spencer Jones and Prof. Schlesinger.

Draft Report. This was agreed to be read subject to additions that might be necessitated by developments before the annual meeting.

The meeting then terminated.

Wm McIntyre.

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