

Minutes of a Council Meeting of the Astronomical Society of South Africa, held at the Royal Observatory on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> October 1936, at 8.15 P.M.

Present: Drs Jackson and Stoy, Capt. Cameron-Swan, Messrs. Long, Smith, Andrews, Turner, Robinson, Peers, and the Hon. Secretary

The Minutes of Council Meeting held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June 1936, were read and confirmed.

Arising out of the Minutes, the Hon. Secretary reported that the meeting to wind up the affairs of the Johannesburg Centre had not yet been held.

~~The Chairman Dr. Jackson~~, The Hon. Secretary read a letter from Mr. Houghton, in which he expressed his regret at not being able to attend. Mr. Houghton had written to the Mayor of Benoni on the reported formation of an Astronomical Society at that town, but had received no reply. The Hon. Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Houghton, asking him to request Mr. Ensoo, a past member of the Johannesburg Centre, to communicate with the Hon. Secretary of the Johannesburg Centre with a view to approaching the conveners of the <sup>proposed</sup> Benoni Astronomical Society.

The meeting appointed Mr. Peers alternate for Mr. Willis, <sup>and</sup> Mr. Andrews alternate for Mr. Mumford.

Messrs Houghton and Forbes were reappointed Directors of the Variable Star Section, and of the Comet + Zodiacal Light Section respectively, while Mr. Peers was appointed Director of the newly-formed Jupiter Section. Jupiter is at present well placed for Southern observers, and it was felt that it was advisable to form a Jupiter observing section.

Dr. J. Jackson was re-elected Editor of the

Journal, while a Journal Committee consisting of Messrs Long, McIntyre and Peers, was formed.

The Treasurer's Report showed the following:

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| Balance on 1 <sup>st</sup> July 1936 | £3.12.7  |
| Sale of Journal                      | 2.2      |
| Natal Centre                         | 4.4.0    |
| Cape                                 | 9.19.6   |
| Total                                | £17.18.3 |

Mr. Long reported that a quotation received from Messrs Galvin and Sales for printing the Journal, was slightly less than the cost of the last issue. The Journal Committee were authorised to proceed with the issue of the next Number of the Journal.

It was decided that the Hon. Secretary should write to the following members of the Society, whose names had been communicated to the Council by the Cape Centre, asking for their dues to the Society:— Messrs. Greenway, Hayman, Heyes, Rev. Luckhoff, Messrs. Mackie, Skewes, and Wallis, all of whom were more than 2 years in arrears with their subscriptions.

The Committee of the Cape Centre had requested that the Council consider the election of Mr. Schoneguel as a Member Emeritus. It was agreed to <sup>read</sup> Mr. Schoneguel's name for election as a Member Emeritus, at the next General Meeting of the Society.

There being no further business, the meeting terminated.

H. Houghton  
7.4.37