

Astronomical Society of South Africa

Minutes of Council meeting held at the Royal Observatory on Wednesday, 24th September 1947 at 8 P.M.

Present: Dr Jackson (in the Chair) Messrs Johnston, Schirach, Davies, Krumm, Turner, Orphen, de Kock and the Hon. Secretary. An apology for absence had been received from Mr. Borchards.

The Minutes of Council Meeting held on the 9th July 1947 were read and confirmed.

Mr. Krumm read the Financial Statement which showed a balance in hand of £86-18-0.

A letter from Mr. Finnis of Natal was read to the meeting. Mr. Finnis said the annual upkeep of the Durban Observatory was about £8, while donations from the public totalled about £1. It was decided to postpone settlement of this amount until later in the financial year.

The following Alternates were appointed:

Mr. Turner for Dr. Bleksley.

Mr. R.P. de Kock for Mr. Bentley.

Mr. Schirach for Mr. A.F.G. Forbes.

Mr. Cousins for Mr. Finnis

Mr. Orphen for Dr. Paraskewopoulos

Mr. M.C. Johnston for Dr. Van den Boon

The following were elected Members: Mr. N.A. Reid, 44 Buckingham Rd., P.E., pro. Mr. Parsons, sec. Mr. Bentley; Mr. M. Benn, 31 Mill Park Rd, P.E., pro. Mr. Bentley, sec. Mr. Botha; Mr. J.C. Bauermeister, 64 Kirkwood Street, P.E., pro. Mr. Bentley, sec. Mr. Botha. Mr. H. Agnew, P.O. Box 47, Bellville, Cape, pro. Mr. Krumm, sec. Mr. de Wette; Dr. A.P. Albert, 69 Cape Road, P.E., pro. Mr. Bentley, sec. Mr. Bekker; Mr. F.W. Hockey, 50 Parliament St., P.E., pro. Mr. Bentley, sec. Mr. Wilmot; Mr. G.P. Dickes, Target Kloof Rd., P.E., pro. Mr. Bentley, sec. Mr. Wilmot; Dr. McLean, Superintendent, Provincial Hospital, P.E., pro. F. Bekker, sec. Mr. Bentley.

The following Associates were elected: T.C. Adams, 6, Cooper St., P.E., P.H. Boalch, 15 Hair Rd., P.E., H.O. Stuyvel, 5 Salford Flats, Whitlock St., P.E., Miss H.F. Todd, Collegiate School, P.E., Miss P. Bowell, 151 Church Rd., Walmer, P.E.,

Dr. E. Hellman, 14 1st Ave., Lower Houghton, J. Burg., Mr. C. M. de Bear, P.O. Box 7094, J'burg., Mrs. B. Hodgson, 74 Kenwood Court, Clarendon Circle, J'burg. Dr. B. E. H. Koch, 3 Pretoria St, J'burg., Mr. G. Porter, Allendene Hotel, Johannesburg; Mrs. J. Kudders, 51, Soke Rd., J'burg. D. S. W. Ridd, Box 797, P.E.; Mr. H. C. Lagerweij, 77, Seventh Avenue, Highlands North, J. Burg., Mrs. S. Souter, P.O. Box 263, J'burg. R. N. Verley, Welleson Manor, Primrose Place, Clarendon Circle, J'burg.

The resignation of Mr. N. Victor-Brown was accepted by the meeting. The Hon Treasurer, Mr. H. E. Krumm, was informed that Mr. Victor-Brown could, if he so desired, to receive the Monthly Notes of the Society at the cost of printing and mailing a copy.

Dr. A. E. H. Bleksley in a letter to the Hon Secretary, conveyed his apologies for absence from the Council meeting, and said that he was very appreciative of the honour of being elected a vice-President of the Society.

Mr. Davies asked whether any work had been done on the 1948 Handbook. Mr. Krumm said that he and Dr. May had discussed the matter earlier in the year. Mr. de Kock said that he would see to the chart of sunrise, sunset, and times of rising and setting of the planets.

This included the business for the evening.

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