

Astronomical Society of South Africa

Minutes of Council Meeting held at the Royal Observatory on Monday, July 6
1953 at 8 P. M.

Apologies for absence had been received from Dr. May, Prof. Menzies and
Mr Cousins.

Present: Dr Evans (in the Chair) Messrs Borchards, Schirach, Orben,
Krumm, Johnston, Chiat and the Hon. Secretary

The Minutes of Council Meeting held on the 13th May 1953 were read and
after amendment, confirmed.

Arising out of the Minutes it was decided that issues of "Sky +
Telescope" be stopped to members one year in arrears, and that the
'Monthly Notes' be stopped after a further six months, after the
member's attention had been drawn to the fact of his
failure to pay his subscription. (Proposed by Mr. Krumm, seconded
by Mr Borchards)

The Financial Statement read by Mr Orben showed a
credit balance of £24-17-7.

The Hon. Treasurer was thanked for his work during the
past year.

The Hon Secretary and Dr. Evans were delegated to draft the
Annual Report for presentation at the Annual General Meeting
on July 22.

Dr Evans said that the presentation of the Coronation
Medal to Mr Bentley should be mentioned in the Annual
Report, and the Hon Secretary was asked to write to Mr
Bentley conveying the congratulations of the Council, and
suggesting that the medal remain in his possession.

Unless further nominations were received, the following
officers and members of Council would be elected at the Annual General
Meeting to be held on 22nd July 1953:

President: Dr. D. S. Evans.

Vice-Presidents: Mr. Bentley, Dr. Van den Bos, Dr. Kirchhoff.

Hon. Secretary: Mr A Menzies.

Hon Treasurer: Mr G. Orben.

Members of Council: Dr. Thackway, Dr. May, Mr Hirst, Mr Finnis,
Prof. Menzies, Dr. Finson.

Hon. Auditors: Messrs Schirack and Johnston.

Hon. Librarian: Mr Archer.

The following, whose names have appeared in the Monthly Notes were elected Members:

Mr. J. B. Lyons, 108 Cradock Heights, Cradock Ave., Rosebank, J'burg.

Mr G E Penfold, 10 Mountain View, Pinelands, Cape.

Mr M Pollard 93 Kilkenny Rd., Parkview, J'burg

Mr A L v.d. Westhuizen, 44 Prudential House, Pretorius St., Pretoria.

Dr. M. W. Feast, Radcliffe Observatory, P.O. Box 373, Pretoria.

Mr A. W. Rouse, 15 Becker St., Yeoville, J'burg, was elected a Student Member.

The following nominations had been received:

Dr J J du Toit, Schroeder St; P.O. Box 101, Uppington.

Mr A C Peyder, "Tree Tops", Dr. des. Huguenots, Sea Point.

Dr Feliks Burdecki, 585 Church St, Arcadia, Pretoria.

~~The meeting ended at 9.10 P.M.~~

Attested

The Hon Secretary was asked to accept ^{Hon Secretary} Mr C. W. Anderson's kind offer of a bequest of his astronomical books to the Society.

The meeting ended at 9.10 P.M.

Attested

Hon Secretary

David S. Evans
12th August 1953.