

ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN AFRICA

Minutes of Council Meeting held at the Royal Observatory on Monday 1962 November 5 at 8.00 p.m.

Apologies for absence received from Dr. Stoy, Mr. Raphaely and Mr. Menzies.

Mr. Smits

Present: (in the Chair), Dr. Evans, Dr. Cousins, Dr. Fuhr, Messrs. Meadows, Bondietti, Churms, Bentley, Lagerweij, Orpen, Krumm and Russo.

Mr. Lagerweij, of the Transvaal Centre, now at the Cape was welcomed to the meeting.

The Minutes of Council Meeting held 1962 August 28, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

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

Mr. E. Aeppli, 11 The Clovers, Culvert Street, Oranjezicht, Cape.
Mr. H. L. Klingmann, Men's Residence, Wits. University, Johannesburg.
Mr. J. I. Mahaffey, P.O. Box 1050, Bloemfontein.
Mr. J. Shatz, 501 Gleneagles, 2nd Avenue, Killarney, Johannesburg.
Rev. E. Leistner, 15 Waterloo Road, Wynberg, Cape.
Mr. K. M. Decker, Box 758, Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia.

The election as Associates was confirmed of the following:

Mrs. M. J. Mahaffey, Box 1050, Bloemfontein.
Mr. D. J. Rheeder, Flat 10, Falcon Court, Bloemfontein.

The following were elected subject to their names appearing in the Monthly Notes and no objection being received within one month:

Mr. H. Levy, 110 Forest Road, Atholl, Johannesburg.
Mr. J. Katz, 210 Cumberland Road, Kensington, Johannesburg.
Mr. E. W. Innes, 99 St. George's Road, Observatory, Johannesburg.
Mr. P. M. Silva, Observatorio Nacional, Rua General Bruce, 586 Sao Cristovao, Guanabara, R. J., Brasil.

Correspondence: It was noted that Mr. Morrisby had accepted Mr. Krumm as his Alternate.

The Financial Statement, presented and read by Mr. Orpen, was as follows:

Financial Statement as on 5th November, 1962.

Expenditure	R. c.	Receipts	R. c.
Subscription to "Sky and Telescope" for period April to September 1962	379 30	Credit Balance at 1/7/62	187 98
Cost of production of MNASSA for period July to October 1962	126 84	<u>Subscriptions</u>	
Postage on MNASSA and "Sky and Telescope" for period July to October 1962	95 79	Arrears	15 80
Stationery	20 80	Current	1154 20
Postage, other than above	6 73	Advance	<u>37 50</u>
Addressograph plates	1 72	Entrance Fees	30 00
Purchase of Library Book to replace one sold for R5.00	4 66	Sale of MNASSA	25 47
Essay Competition Prizes	22 00	Sale of back and extra numbers of "Sky and Telescope"	8 80
Bank Charges	4 74	Sale of Handbooks	2 00
Credit Balance at 5/11/62	809 47	Donations	2 20
		Interest on Building Society Shares	6 00
		Commission on cheques	2 10
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Garrett Orpen
Hon. Treasurer.

The Financial Statement was adopted.

Advantage was taken of Mr. Lagerweij's presence to discuss the method of collection of Society Subscriptions from members of the Transvaal Centre. It is the practice for that Centre to receive monies from members for onward transmission to the Treasurer of the Society, who in due course issues receipts to the individuals concerned. One point raised was that in some cases the issue of immediate receipts by the Centre was requested, leading to subsequent duplication by the Society. After general discussion it was decided that the Treasurer and Mr. Lagerweij should jointly discuss the matter with the Transvaal Centre with a view to simplifying procedure for all concerned, and to report back to the next Council Meeting.

After general informal discussion the meeting adjourned at 9.45 p.m.

J. Russo
26 January 1963

T. W. Russo,
Hon. Secretary. (Actg.)