

ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN AFRICA

Minutes of Council Meeting held at the Royal Observatory on Wednesday 4th November 1964 at 8.00 p.m.

Apologies for absence had been received from Mr. Smits (ill), Mr. Russo and Mr. Churms (Pretoria). *Dr. Fuhr away in Europe*

Present: Mr. Lagerweij (in the Chair), Drs. Stoy, Evans, Cousins, Messrs. Meadows, Bentley, Atkins, Bondiotti, Krumm, Orpen and the Hon. Secretary.

The Minutes of Council Meeting held on the 16th September 1964 were read and after amendment, confirmed.

The amendment consisted of the addition of Mr. Meadows name to the list of apologies for absence received for the last meeting.

Matters arising: It was decided that the subject for the 1965 Forbes Essay Competition would be "The Moon".

Library: The disposal of unwanted books was postponed until the completion of the Library Catalogue.

It was reported that Mr. Atkins had completed the servicing of the Society's Epidiascope, the account for material used to be paid by the Society.

Mr. Atkins was accorded a vote of thanks for the efficient manner in which the work had been done.

Dr. Stoy reported that the last two items listed in the Minutes had been done.

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

Financial Statement as on 4th November, 1964					
Expenditure	R.	c.	Receipts		
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Subscription to "Sky and Telescope" for period July to September 1964.	192	01	Credit Balance 1/7/1964	341	33
Cost of production of MNASSA for period July to October 1964.	142	62	<u>Subscriptions</u>		
Postage on "Sky and Telescope" for period July to September 1964.	36	00	Arrears	27	90
Stationery	71	33	Current	1114	00
Postage, other than above	6	43	Advance	5	00
Essay Competition Prizes	16	50	Entrance Fees		20
Addressograph Plates	1	75	Sale of MNASSA		54
Bank Charges	1	74	Sale of Handbooks		0
Credit Balance at 4/11/1964.	1108	01	Sale of back and extra numbers of "Sky and Telescope"		5
	R 1576	39	Interest on Building Society Shares		5
			Commission on Cheques		2
					47
				R 1576	39

Garrett Orpen

Hon. Treasurer

A list of members in arrears with subscriptions was handed to the Hon. Secretary, for suspension.

The following whose names have appeared in MNASSA were elected Members:

Mr. M. E. Alexander, 22 Victoria Avenue, Sandringham, Johannesburg
Mr. J. P. Kempster, 12 Crescent Road, Waterkloof Ridge, Pretoria
Mr. S. R. Malin, Radcliffe Observatory, P. O. Box 373, Pretoria
Dr. B. D. Yallop, Royal Observatory, Observatory, Cape.

Correspondence received: The Hon. Secretary was instructed to reply to a request from Associated Book Publishers for a list of Members, that a loose-leaf advertising the book "Sunspots" would be included in an issue of MNASSA at a cost of 10 Rands to the Company concerned.

A request for MNASSA on an exchange basis from the Societe ' d'Astronomie d'Anvers was read to the meeting, and agreed to.

Dr. Stoy's request that an article by a student, Mr. Cole, on "The Star of Bethlehem" be printed in MNASSA, was agreed to. Mr. Cole lectures at the Planetarium.

Mr. Krumm reported an order for Volumes 13 to 21 of MNASSA, from the Louisiana State University.

The next Council meeting would be held on Wednesday 3rd February 1965.

A. Menzies

Hon. Secretary

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27/1/1964