

Minutes of meeting held 1980 September 15 at 20h00 at the S.A. Astronomical Observatory Cape Town.

PRESENT Mr Hurly in the chair - Prof Warner, Dr Holroyd, Messrs Bently, Duveen, C Larmuth, G Larmuth, Orpen, Russo, Simenhoff, Turk and Miss P Booth.

APOLOGIES for absence received from Dr M Feast, Messrs C B Archer and J Spencer Jones.

ALTERNATES The following were appointed/confirmed subject to the approval of the Principals concerned:-

<u>PRINCIPAL</u>	<u>ALTERNATE</u>
Mr M A Gray P O Box 2704 DURBAN 4000	Mr C Larmuth No 4 Chalfort Road NEWLANDS 7700
Prof E Saert Mr J Bennett Mr J Vincent Mr J Hers P O Box 48 EDGEFIELD 6173	Dr A Fairall Mr G Larmuth Mr J Spencer Jones Dr L H Holroyd 45 Hamilton Road CLAREMONT 7700
<i>Lanarvan</i> Representative	Mr J Simenhoff
Natal	Miss P Booth
Natal Midlands	Mr J Bondietti
Bloemfontein	Mr V Duveen
Salisbury	Mr C Turk
	Dr A Cousins

MINUTES of previous meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and signed.

MATTERS ARISING A report and recommendation for the disposal of stocks of pre-MNASSA journals held was handed in on behalf of Mr Spencer Jones. This was considered by the meeting and commented on by Prof Warner. Agreed that the Editor of MNASSA should be asked to publish the list of journals etc with the suggested prices for sale to interested parties. The last five items (reprints) were said to have no value and unlikely to have any appeal. These should be omitted. This schedule appears as an annexure to these minutes. A vote of thanks for the time and effort given by Mr Spencer Jones to the task of compiling the details was given.

FINANCE The following statement was presented by Mr Urpen:-

ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN AFRICA

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD ON THE
15th SEPTEMBER 1980

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>RECEIPTS</u>	
	R. c.		R. c.
Subscription to "Sky & Telescope" July & August 1980	762.02	Credit Balance at 1/7/1980	481.16
Cost of production of MNASSA January to April 1980	458.36	<u>Subscriptions</u>	
Expenditure on reproduction of Back Numbers of MNASSA	0.55	Arrears	52.50
Addressing and Despatch of publications	52.88	Current	5518.74
Postage on publications (current)	197.42	Advance	<u>82.26</u>
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Customs duties	17.52	Sale of Back Nos and extra copies of "Sky & Telescope"	7.20
Transferred to Plusplan Account, July & August 1980	4000.00	Advertisement in MNASSA	10.00
Bank Charges	45.57	Interest on Fixed Deposit	50.00
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R1000.00 is still on fixed deposit with the United Building Society.
The balance in the "Plusplan" A/C is R4550.00 at date.
The balance in the McIntyre Award Account is now R1814.87, Bond interest
of R35.81 having been added during August.

Being the start of a new year, receipts would have been enhanced.
These would lessen but expenditure would continue at a more even rate
during the year. The statement was adopted. Regarding increases in bank
charges, and as orders for 1981 issues of MNASSA were now arriving, it
was agreed that the cost in U.S.A. Dollars should be raised to \$8, but
that the Sterling price should remain at £4 and the S.A. price at R6.
"Sky & Telescope" was being subjected to a customs charge of R8 approxi-
mately. The reason was not clear and Mr Duveen agreed to investigate.

HON. TREASURER.

NEW MEMBERS

The following were elected subject to publication of names in MNASSA and no objections being received:-

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Mr C C Smith
P O Box 734
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Mr A C du Plessis
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RANDHART
ALBERTON
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Mr J M Taljaard
5 Tim Street
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Council expressed its appreciation of the invitation of the Natal Centre to host the A.G.M. of the Society next July. Details to be arranged later.

The meeting adjourned at 21h30.
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