

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT CITY COMPUTERS, CHAPEL ST. on 26/4/95

Present: R.Jarmain, M.Christianson, K.Hampson, J.Watson

Apsls: T.Chance, S.de Vos, H.Chance, B.Lawrence

1. Meeting commenced at 5.30pm - minutes of previous meeting read and accepted

2. Matters arising

- a) Tea urn - all sold out at GAME - committee to keep looking
- b) Slide tray - A.Jarmain has found two second-hand ones with a combined capacity of approx 250 slides - more than adequate.
- c) Grazing occultation on 23/3/95 prepared for - clouded/rained out !
- d) Viewing at Russell High with A.Kroukam - clouded out !
- e) Questionnaire completed and returned to Dept of Educ & Culture
- f) Extra key for library purchased
- g) Natal Parks Board camp at Spioenkop closed - S.deV looking for alternatives.

3. Planning

May 10/5/95 - monthly meeting - D.Grayson to talk on armillary spheres
- meet at St.Charles as usual

June 14/6/95 - monthly meeting - viewing at Collingwoods' home
- JW to confirm with V.Collingwood

July 12/7/95 - A.G.Meeting - meet at J.Baxters' home - JW to confirm

4. Membership

- a) Letters written to S.Dale and R.Forder - S.Dale to remain a member of the Centre.
- b) Membership now up to 58 - attendance average of 25.

5. Correspondence

- a) Confirmed decision to attend ASSA Symposium in Bloemfontein in September and participate in 'Bragg' session - JW to write letter
- b) Annual questionnaire from SAAO - agreed to continue receiving Newsletter and Annual Report.
- c) ASSA Council minutes - annual subs to be increased to R130
- noted with interest the teachers workshop held at SAAO
- d) Note received from Dr.J.Percy thanking us for meeting with him
- e) Invitation from Mr R.R.Arco to attend STAR TRACK in Ladysmith on 13/5/95
- agreed to decline with thanks
- f) Letter from Dept of Educ & Culture re submissions to Arts and Culture Task Group (ACTAG) - too late for written response - JW to phone C.J.van Rensburg.

6. Treasurer's Report

- a) No report submitted - subs still coming in - Sec.Expenses R66-18 for 1st qtr.

7. Stardust

Will be going out late(due to holidays etc) for May meeting

8. Library

- a) K.Hampson to meet with S.Dale again - has arranged for access to library cupboard over weekends.

- b) Newsletters from other Centres to be displayed at monthly meetings
- c) C.Lake has 'returned' display material from previous exhibitions etc.
- d) P.Moore has offered old Admiralty Almanacs

9. P.R.O.

No report.

10. Instruments & Observatory

- a) Sub-committee met on 12/4/95 with R.Clifford co-opted
- b) Proposed structure 8m x 4m with roll-off roof - brick and concrete to be used for construction - electricity required
- c) Meeting with Girl Guides planned for 29/4/95 (12 noon) to discuss plans - thereafter to arrange meeting with PMB municipality.
- d) G.Prosser still has the 12" mirror (unsilvered) and other bits & pieces.

11. Education

- a) Exhibition at University Library shelved until further notice.
- b) JW asked to do some viewing at Lexden with Scouts on 8/4/95 - cloded^u out !
- c) JW has been approached informally re appointment as examiner for Cub badge.
- d) Still no dates for Adult Educ course at Museum

12. General

Nil

DATE OF NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING 17 MAY 1995