

PAC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – August 16, 2017

Present: Current Board Members: Joel Cohen, Doug Tilley, Jeff Stillman, John Baesemann, Steve Eubanks, Bill McDonald

Guests: Russ Chappell, Adam England, Fred Arndt

The meeting was called to order by the President at 6:30PM at the Steve Eubanks home.

Board & Directors at Large Business

Steve reported on the clubs treasurers report that we were plus \$185.47 this past month. The current checking account has \$3120.53 and \$3001.46 in savings. Membership currently stands at 83 paid members. Jeff spoke about our annual budget and possible expenditures from our savings. The report was accepted as noted.

The club secretary read the minutes from the July 2017 board meeting and the minutes were accepted.

Old Business

Award committee asked the treasurer to purchase the **MOVA Globe award**. Nominations will be passed out at the clubs October general meeting and PAC board will vote on the award nominations at the November board meeting.

Fred Arndt spoke about the “*Meet a Member Program*”. He has decided to create a small brochure with an attached form. He also reported that a form went out to the general membership and had no response. He also discussed the nominating ideas for eliciting new board members.

New Business

Bill McDonald talked about having more astronomy short talks at the general meetings covering various astronomical topics.

Jeff informed the board that he has purchased 40 park passes for our upcoming club picnic scheduled for September 16th at Watson Lake. Also the Vatican Observatory tour is scheduled for October 14th and he has saved several camping spots at Roper Park.

Adam England reported on the August 21st solar eclipse with approximately 1500 students plus the public expected to attend the event. Items such as special glasses to view the Sun and water will be distributed. PAC will have our canopy up and manned as well as John and Laura Verderame selling our line of clothing.

It was agreed that the club secretary will mail out to the general membership our club newsletter the Ephemeris.

Jeff advised the board that Cory Shaw will head up the effort to monetarily support various organizations such as Lowell Observatory, Space Grant program, and the ERAU planetarium. The board agreed to table this discussion until a later date.

A discussion on the subject of raffle prizes occurred with an agreed goal to have a net gain for the club. Russ Chappell will determine the number of prizes to be offered at each general meeting. There was a request from the board for the president to announce the raffle to be held at the beginning of each meeting so members can purchase the tickets prior to the drawing later in the meeting.

There was a discussion of placing ads in Facebook to develop growth in membership in the club. Adam England volunteered to set up a model for the ads and report back to the board on its progress. A motion and vote to spend \$60 on the Facebook ad was approved by the board.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM

Prepared by: Doug Tilley, PAC Secretary