



General Meeting Minutes for February 1, 2023

Call to Order:

- Meeting called to order by President Art Arnold-Roksandich at 6:00 PM
- 57 in-person attendees at the Prescott Library

Welcome new members and guests:

- Several guests were present.
- We now have 83 club members on record (of whom **61** have renewed as of 2/1/23)

Featured speaker: Our speaker this month was Dr. Roger Windhorst (ASU Professor and Interdisciplinary Scientist for the James Webb Space Telescope). Dr. Windhorst appeared via Zoom and presented “The Infrared Universe Beyond Hubble: The James Webb Space Telescope in 2022 and 2023.” Dr. Windhorst’s discussion was broken into two parts:

- Part 1: How the telescope was designed, built, tested, and deployed
- Part 2: An overview of JWST images to date.

This was a very thorough and informative follow-up to his March presentation on the JWST mission and included two Question and Answer sessions.

Business Topics:

- Last month’s general meeting minutes to be posted on the website.
 - [Decision: Minutes approved after we waived reading them during the meeting](#)
- Treasurer’s Report for January 2023:
 - Cash flow:
 - Income: \$970.00 (mostly from renewals)
 - Expenses: \$690.24 (insurance and Astronomical League dues)
 - Net: \$279.76
 - Account balances:
 - Paypal: \$0.00
 - Checking: \$3311.50
 - Savings: \$4047.22
 - Cash: \$256.50
 - TOTAL: \$7615.22
 - [Decision: Treasurer’s Report Accepted](#)

- Outreach Report: Brian Blau presented the club's currently planned outreach activities:
 - 2/15 Liberty Traditional School Science Fair. 3300 N. Lake Valley Road, PV 86314
 - 3/23 Starry Nights
 - 4/15 Dave Covey member-only
 - 5/23 Talking Rock outreach/member-only
 - 6/11 Starry Nights
 - 9/16 Starry Nights
 - 10/20 Prescott Valley Public Library outreach
 - 11/6 Starry Nights

Tentative Starry Nights locations include Williamson Valley Trailhead, Downtown Prescott, and Lynx Lake,

- Upcoming Events:
 - Two to three more volunteer scopes are needed for the February 15th star party at the Liberty Traditional School.

Announcements:

- The next PAC Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, February 21, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Prescott Valley Public Library in the Glassford Hill Room. If you would like to attend, please send a request to President Art Arnold-Roksandich p@prescottastronomyclub.org. Also let him know any suggested agenda items.
- The club is continuing to look for volunteers to assist with its many activities.
- The next METASIG (Meet, Eat, Talk, Astronomy, Special, Interest, Group) will be held on February 16 at the LazyG Brewhouse -- 220 W Leroux St, Prescott.
- ALCor (Astronomical League Correspondent). Ken Olson is the club's liaison to the Astronomical League and will be providing information on observing programs, award presentations and other opportunities at future club meetings. Stay tuned.

Closing:

- Our next general meeting will be on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the Founder's Suite of the Prescott Public Library. The featured speaker will be Dr. Nick Moskovitz of the Lowell Observatory discussing the DART program – NASA's first planetary defense experiment.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM

Report submitted by Jack Evans, PAC Secretary