

RASC Kingston Centre Executive Meeting Minutes - June 16, 2000

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Hello all, please return your corrections and I'll fix things up.
Susan

Executive Meeting, June 16, 2000 at the Angle Home.

In attendance, Doug, Kendra, Tom Dean, John Hurley, Peggy Hurley, Kevin Kell, Laura Gagne, David Pianosi, David Maguire, Susan Gagnon.

(Agenda was "free form")

- Laura:
- Richard Schmude was difficult to nail down to a date to speak at a meeting and will therefore be deferred until next year.
- Purchase of filters: discussion (John raised budget concerns)
 - 1 Lunar
 - 2 set of 4 colour filters
 - 3 a nebula filter O3 and/or Hydrogen Beta
 - **Moved** by Laura, seconded by Susan that a maximum of \$400 be used to purchase 1 and 2 and 3 when found to be available and reasonable. Purchases to be made by Tom as Observing Chair.
 - *Carried.*
- Doug announced that David Maguire has offered to be Librarian, as Doug and Laura accepted the resignation of Don Mastrianni in February. Moved by Laura and seconded by Susan that David take over, the motion was carried and Kevin gave a brief rundown of the duties.
- David Pianosi has found the most likely site for an overnight observing session, at Presqu'ile Park. The site is a group of 10 individual blocks that they will let us rent as a group. The group assumed that between the Kingston and Belleville population we would get 25 to 30 people out. The block goes for \$200 /night Additional costs are \$4 per person and \$3 per vehicle. We will expect to sell tickets for \$10 and then the ticket holder will pay the per person and per vehicle fee over and above that. Given enough notice, deposit refund is not expected to be a problem.

- **Moved** by Dave Maguire, and Kevin seconded that Dave P. firm up the Deposit details for September 23.2000.
 - *Carried.*
- Tom: Hank had asked that an 8" solar filter be purchased, at a cost of approximately \$200. It was generally thought that this could be done with Mylar for now on the cheap.
- Astronomy Day:
 - the Budget was set at \$200 and Susan is the only one to have receipts to submit and that total is less than \$65. This money was used to run up 7 small table covers that will be available to any one for any display purpose. John and Peggy will purchase a Rubbermaid container to store the official Astronomy Day stuff in for easy hand off.
- Doug is still doing some shopping in the Montreal Centre stuff and may purchase the secondary mirror.
- Awards:
 - The Douglas Award committee has yet to get together. Doug will look up the exact composition of the committee.
- Proposed Fee increase by National Finance committee, discussion.
 - Question: should the executive of the Centre have a position (as many have asked) on how to vote?
 - **Moved** by Kevin and Seconded by Susan that if someone must have the position of the exec, "we do not disagree with the raise".
 - *Carried.*
 - **Moved** by Kevin and seconded by Dave Maguire that John's instruction to Bonnie be, a decrease in the surcharge for the Kingston Centre if the fee increase is passed, as well as a removal of the surcharge for youth membership. All remains unchanged if the fee increase is defeated.
 - *Carried.*
- Sky is the Limit Susan will call this week and establish when the set up meeting will take place, expected to be a week ahead.
- Memberships for India, no news from Kim on the National front, but there has been interest by an anonymous donor who will be instructed to send a \$45 cheque to National Office.
- The telescope loan to Dieter was \$2400
- 6th Grade Book, well underway, will try to keep it at <150 pages, which will cost approx. \$250 to produce the 1st run.
- ATM: Kendra estimates that the 24" is under budget by approximately \$200 at this point.
- BBQ at Mark's place is still in the works.
- Moved by Kevin and Seconded by Laura that Susan be advanced the \$699.48 that she has paid out to get to the GA and she will sign over her

refund from National when she gets it. Susan is to get the cheque from John.

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