

RASC Kingston Centre

Executive Meeting Minutes - February 11, 2005

Attendance:

- Kim Hay,
- Steve Hart,
- Kevin Kell,
- Doug Angle,
- Dave Maguire,
- Susan Gagnon

Meeting called to order at 6:55 p.m.

- Agenda Item 1: Policy on Meeting dates on holiday Fridays.
 - **Motion 05201** | Moved: Kim Hay | Seconded: Doug Angle
 - Irregardless of Holidays, the Kingston Centre will always hold monthly Centre meetings on the second Friday of the month.
 - *Motion carried.*
- Agenda Item 2: Strike the awards Committee.
 - **Motion 05202** | Moved: Kim Hay | Seconded: Kevin Kell
 - The Centre will form one Awards Committee to handle all Centre Awards, consisted of the following; the President as committee chair, one other Centre executive, and one regular Centre member.
 - *Motion carried.*
 - Kim Hay will recruit the other two members of the Awards Committee.
- Agenda Item 3: Progress on new Centre logo.
 - Peggy Hurley finished design of the new logo. Kim Hay is processing the image in order to assure good print quality, and it will hopefully be ready for the printer sometime in February.
- Agenda Item 4: Treasurer will present the budget and related motions.
 - **Motion 05203** | Moved: Kevin Kell | Seconded: Steve Hart
 - Kevin Kell is directed by the Centre to cash in the Mutual Funds held at CI Funds in Toronto and use the money to buy a fixed GIC which will have a known value.
 - *Motion carried.*
 - **Motion 05204** | Moved: Steve Hart | Seconded: Doug Angle
 - That RASC-KC continues the support of a Centre telephone hotline at 377-6029, at the home of Kevin Kell and Kim Hay, at a cost of

approximately fifty percent of the cost of the line as it is shared in use by the hosts, back dated to 2005 January and continuing for 12 months to the end of December 2005, specifically \$15 per month or \$180 per year.

- Kim Hay and Kevin Kell abstained because of a conflict of interest.
- *Motion carried.*

- Agenda Item 5: Questions re minutes of January Executive meeting.
 - **Motion 05205** | Moved: Steve Hart | Seconded: Doug Angle
 - Accept the second draft of the minutes of January Executive meeting.
 - *Motion carried.*

- Agenda Item 6: "Regulus" Newsletter schedule.
 - Doug Angle will publish a print issue, every two months.
 - If possible, Doug Angle will attempt to also publish an electronic issue for the intervening months.

- Agenda Item 7: Matters arising from planned events and activities.
 - Annual Banquet: Susan Gagnon is looking into possible new venues, such as the Yacht Club.
 - Astronomy Day: Susan Gagnon has received confirmation and an invoice for rental of a room at the Turner Branch of the KFPL.
 - **Motion 05206** | Moved: Kevin Kell | Seconded: Dave Maguire
 - Accept budget as presented.
 - *Motion carried.*

- Agenda Item 8: Other Business
 - The RASC - Ottawa Centre has nominated Mr. Attila Danko and Mr. Allan Rahill for the Canadian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society's Rube Hornstein Medal 'for providing outstanding operational meteorological service...', and the Dr. Andrew Thompson Award 'for an outstanding contribution to the application of meteorology in Canada' and they are soliciting e-mails of support from Clear Sky Clock sponsors to help the prize committee understand the extent and influence of this work on the international astronomical community.
 - The Centre executive decided to send e-mail in support (as Kingston Sky Clock sponsor) and to urge any Centre members who personally sponsor other Clear Sky Clocks to also e-mail their own support to the prize committee.
 - Kim Hay reminded the Executive that a meeting of the RASC National Council is coming up and that Centre executives should be

aware of issues that might affect the Centre. Executive members are encouraged to pass their views to John Hurley, or his alternate if he cannot attend the National Council meeting.

- **Motion 05207** | Moved: Kevin Kell | Seconded: Dave Maguire
- Adjourn meeting.
- *Motion carried.*

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Submitted by Steve Hart, RASC-KC Secretary