

Minutes of the Amarillo Astronomy Club Business Meeting

March 10, 2017

Amarillo National Bank Plaza 1 Conference Room

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by President David Heard. All four officers (President David Heard, Vice President Kareem Dana, Treasurer Don Chrysler and Secretary Alan Scruggs) and eleven members were in attendance. Two guests were present, Steve and Cathy Cornette.

Don Chrysler reported that including monies received tonight, the club's balance was \$2,280.71.

Two observing reports were mentioned. Frank went observing at his ranch about two weeks ago with a 20" F3 Sky Vision. Dave Heard and Amy went to Canadian and observed with three other families.

Under old business, Alan read the minutes from the February business meeting. Kareem Dana made a motion to accept the minutes without changes. Randall Haggard seconded. The motion passed. David mentioned that the club needs an updated membership roster. Don stated he would post it on the Yahoo site. Dave mentioned that the DHDC needs members to support astronomy during the day on March 13th, 15th, and 17th. Dave then passed out a sheet for signing up member's mobile phone numbers so people going to Nebraska can stay in touch during the total eclipse this coming summer.

Under new business, Dave stated the April business meeting will be held on the 6th instead of the 7th. Kareem Dana said he will confirm that date with David Oliver. Dave mentioned the summer picnic was scheduled for August 19th. This date will be rescheduled at a later time due to the conflict with the total solar eclipse.

Kareem Dana would have introduced Terry Zimmerman who was scheduled to present the evening's program. However, Terry was ill and did not make the meeting. In his place, Don Chrysler described a new observing site about 108 miles to the WSW of Amarillo on some property his sister owns. Don called up a satellite image of the area located about four miles north of Walcott. He has set up a clear sky clock page for this site. Although a little far, this site sits on level ground and should not have neither the wind issue experienced at the roadside park, nor the issue with livestock at the Gillespie farm. Alan Scruggs made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Kareem Dana. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.