

## **Minutes of the Amarillo Astronomy Club Business Meeting**

**September 8, 2017**

### **Amarillo National Bank Plaza 1 Conference Room**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President David Heard. Three officers (President David Heard, Vice President Kareem Dana, and Treasurer Don Chrysler) and 17 members were in attendance.

Kareem presented the program on the total solar eclipse. Shatt Davis, Don Chrysler, Kareem Dana, Jim Fitch, Terry Zimmerman, Gene Storlie, DeDe and Brandon Jones all shared pictures and stories about their experience with the eclipse. We also looked at some pictures that Frank Wilburn took in Grand Island. There were a lot of very good pictures and stories. Thanks to everyone for participating.

Following the program, the club's business was discussed. Alan was absent so Kareem read the minutes from the May business meeting. Terry motioned to accept the minutes without changes and the motion passed.

Don Chrysler reported that the club's balance was \$2,170.71. Don asked if we should renew the International Dark Sky dues as normal. Jim Rhodes made a motion to accept and the motion passed.

Under old business, previous public observing sessions were discussed. Shatt Davis said the Caprock Canyon public observing sessions over the summer were successful. 200 people showed up to the first session and about 75 at the second with ages between 2-80 years old. The August observing was clouded out, but there will be another one in October. No other old business was discussed.

Under new business, club elections were held. The club thanked Dave Heard for his service as President. Will Ashcraft volunteered to serve as our new President. Jim Fitch motioned to accept and the motion passed. All other officers agreed to stay in their positions. The list of officers for this year is:

President – Will Ashcraft

Vice President – Kareem Dana

Treasurer – Don Chrysler

Secretary – Alan Scruggs

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.