

Alliance for Astronomy, Inc.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
July 20, 2006

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Alliance for Astronomy, Inc. was held at Cottleville, Missouri on the 20th day of July 2006 at 5:10 pm.

The following were present, being a quorum: Yvonne J. Roe, Stacey Thater, Carl Sandstedt, Janet Lewien, John Hoff, Jim Twellman and Scott Campbell. James Roe, the Executive Director, was also present.

The Chairperson presented a copy of the meeting notice which was filed with the minutes of the meeting.

The Chairperson reported that Scott Campbell had accepted the appointment to the Board that was voted at the last meeting of the Board and a copy of the acceptance is filed with the Minutes of the meeting. Yvonne Roe's resignation which was to take effect upon such acceptance by Campbell was now in effect and a copy of her letter of resignation is filed with the Minutes of the meeting.. Yvonne Roe will continue as the Secretary of the Corporation.

The minutes of the previous meeting of 15 June 2006 were read by the Secretary and, on motion duly made and passed unanimously, were approved as read.

The Executive Director made his report the Board as follows:

The Income & Expense Statement and the Statement of Net Assets were presented for the period ending June 30, 2006 showing the Corporation is in compliance with Board policies.

The Corporation continues to pursue the mission by sponsoring and conducting public astronomy meetings especially with the Astronomical Society of Eastern Missouri. A new meeting designed especially for beginners was added to the scheduled events beginning with the first Tuesday of September.

The previously announced agreement with Lindenwood University for use of a room in their Weldon Spring Campus was revoked by the President of Lindenwood, leaving us to rely on the Interpretive Center for future activities. That relationship continues with strong support.

The \$20,000 pledged by the Employee Community Fund of Boeing St. Louis to buy a telescope for use in the proposed astronomy center was received. The money has been marked as "Temporarily Restricted" in compliance with the Donors expressed earmarking of the funds for a telescope. The further restrictions are that the money should be spent before April 1, 2007 and that a report to Boeing be issued upon completion of the purchase.

The Neighborhood Assistance Program tax credit application was returned as inadequate to meet the requirements of the MO Dept of Economic Development.

The Ad Hoc committee to research and develop a whistle-blowers policy presented a recommended Whistle-Blower Policy which was reviewed by the Board as a whole. Upon proper motion and second, the policy was adopted unanimously. A copy is filed with the Minutes of the meeting.

The Ad Hoc committee to research and develop a conflict of interest policy reported that their work was not completed and asked to take it up at the next Board meeting.

The Audit Committee reported that the procedure whereby the statements from the Bank would be mailed directly to Board Member John Hoff for preliminary examination prior to reconciliation by the Executive Director had begun. Furthermore, the checks in payment to the Executive Director in payment per the contract with the Executive Director are now being signed by Mr. Hoff.

The next meeting is to be Thursday, September 21, 2006 (to be confirmed pending the schedule of the Executive Director and Secretary) at 5:00 pm at the Community College in Cottleville. Subsequent meetings are scheduled for November 16, 2006, January 18, 2007, March 15, 2007 and May 18, 2007.

The meeting adjourned at 6:44 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Yvonne J. Roe, Secretary