RASC Prince George Center (PGAS)

Meeting Minutes May 15, 2010

Opening:

The regular meeting of the RASC Prince George Center was called to order at 18:03 on May 15, 2010 at the Prince George Center by Maurice Sluka - President. Recording Secretary: Blair Stunder

Present:

Maurice Sluka
Blair Stunder
Gil Self
Wayne Saunders
Doug Wayland
Robert Nelson
Glen Harris
Jim Toews

A. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

B. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

C. Open Issues

Treasurer's report read by Maurice Sluka
Moved to accept by Blair Stunder
Passed by all present

National Rep's report

RASC fee increase – awaiting RASC AGM

Public Speaker Program – missed first round, members forwarding possible speaker suggestions and possible contacts.

Old Business:

Light Pollution – Lighting Seminar; still in works: Maurice Sluka. Snow Plow – members contacting neighbor for possible membership in compensation.

Telescope Committee

- a. RA drive/worm alignment issue, not a balance issue
 - a. Modification of RA drive bracket
- b. Focusing image degradation
- c. Replacement of diagonal in 4-Shooter

Road Trip/Star Party to Fort St. James

Date set at August 14th

Possible location Ft. St. James Museum

D. New Business

a. Spending Proposals

1. AllSky Camera Network Expansion Cost: \$1182.00

Proposed: Wayne

Second: Glen

Voted: Passed - unanimous vote

2. Purchase 1000 Plano Spheres at \$0.34 each to reduce cost of \$0.48 for lower volume purchases

Proposed: Blair

Second: Gil

Voted: Passed – unanimous vote

3. Purchase New Diagonal for Celestron C-8 to bring unit back into full service Cost \$172.75 +taxes

Proposed: Blair Second: Gil

Voted: passed – unanimous vote

4. CCD Proposal: Need for a CCD camera for the 0.6m Telescope – Establish a dedicated fund that surplus amounts can be transferred into as to reduce the purchase impact of the CCD camera

Proposed: Robert Second: Glen Voted: passed 7 to 1

E. Agenda for Next Meeting

A. Perseids Meteor Shower Open House – August 12th 2000

B. Business Meeting – Evaluate/rank proposals and schedule upcoming "Fall" schedule. August 12th 1800

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 1920 by Maurice. The next general meeting will be at 1800 on August 12th at Prince George Center.

Minutes submitted by: Blair Stunder

Approved by: not yet approved.