

**PRINCE GEORGE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY
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**7365 Tedford Road
Prince George, BC
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**PGC151 Business Meeting Minutes
November 11, 2015**

Date: November 11, 2015
Location: 3323 Hart Hwy.

Chairperson: Blair Stunder
Recording Secretary: Glen Harris
Executives Present: Glen, Rusty, Blair, Jim, Bob
Members Present: Maurice

Meeting Called to Order at 7:30 p.m.

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Approval of Minutes of PGC150

Motion: To accept the meeting minutes of PGC150 October 21, 2015

Moved: Glen Seconded: Maurice Carried

3. Reports of Officers

a. President (Blair Stunder)

Leonid Meteor Shower on Tuesday, November 17, 2015

b. Vice President (Bob Nelson)

Bob offered to bring a kerosene heater to the Meteor Shower.

c. Secretary/Recorder (Glen Harris)

- Canada Post mail has been dealt with as required.

d. Treasurer (Glen Harris)

Account balances as of 2015/10/29

- Club Account Balance \$5929.10

- Gaming Account Balance \$310.59

- Prepaid Account Balance \$1033.89

Motion: To accept the Treasurer's report as presented.

Moved: Glen Seconded: Rusty Carried

- Detailed financial information is filed with the minutes.

- The Gaming Account Summary Report was lost in the mail and will be resubmitted.

4. Reports of Committees, including any motions from the Committees

Webmaster Report – Glen

- Word Press software is current.

- Upcoming events, volunteer involvement, Open House status, and scheduled tours information is up to date.

Telescope Maintenance Report – Glen

- Mirror box pressurization fans are installed and operational.

Observing and Small Scopes Maintenance Report - Glen

- No outstanding issues.

Media Relations Report – Maurice

- ‘Our Night Sky’ radio segments for November are created on a weekly basis.

Building and Grounds Report – Glen

- Work Bee held on Saturday, October 30, 2015. Pot holes filled in, door trimmed, and table laminates repaired.

Computers and A/V Equipment Report – Glen

- Resolved problem of lost video feed from the Mallincam to the classroom TV.

Tours and Public Outreach – Mike and Glen

- Five presentations made to 136 people with \$334.20 collected
- Five more tours are scheduled for this year.
- Volunteer help has been most helpful in conducting the tours.
- First Nation Astronomy Folk Lore talk at the main branch of the Prince George Public Library was attended by 50 people.
- H.R.Macmillan Space Centre’s inflatable Star Lab Planetarium will be open to the general public at Immaculate Conception School on Tuesday, November 24, 2015 from 6 pm until 9 pm. Mike and his team will assist.

5. Old Business

- Proposed policy regarding loaning out telescopes.
 - Size restrictions, unless proper transportation cases/containers are used.
 - Restricted to persons that have shown proper scope operation and a basic understanding of the sky.
 - Loaned out for two weeks at a time.

6. New Business

- Spending proposals for the gaming grant application are:
 - Viewing deck concrete surface \$7200
 - Expand the parking lot \$2450
 - Inflatable planetarium, projector, and software \$54,000
- NOVA 2016 dates are Saturdays on January 16, 30, February 20, March 5, 19, April 2, 16, 30, May 14.
- PG Teen Fest March 5, 2016 at the Civic Centre from 11 am – 5 pm.

7. Date, Time, and Location of the next Business and AGM Meeting

The next business meeting, PGC152, will be held on Wednesday January 13, 2016 at Arctic Manufacturing 3323 Hart Highway. Start time is 7:30 pm. Please submit all agenda items to Blair no later than Saturday January 9, 2016.

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.