

**PRINCE GEORGE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY  
ROYAL ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF CANADA  
PRINCE GEORGE CENTRE**

**7365 Tedford Road  
Prince George, BC  
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**PGC161 Business Meeting Minutes  
February 8, 2017**

Date: February 8, 2017  
Location: 7365 Tedford Road

Chairperson: Blair Stunder  
Recording Secretary: Glen Harris  
Executives Present: Blair, Glen, Dayton  
Members Present: Dave, Ken, Mark

Meeting Called to Order at 7:35 p.m.

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

**2. Approval of Minutes of PGC160**

Motion: To accept the meeting minutes of PGC160 January 11, 2017

Moved: Dave                      Seconded: Mark                      Carried

**3. Reports of Officers**

**a. President (Blair Stunder)**

- Presented the Antikythera Mechanism talk in Fort St. James on January 26, 2017 to about 30 people.
- NOVA is being well attended with 15 students.
- Approached by RASC National to participate with other Centres in a Canada 150 Star Party on July 29, 2017. PG's latitude makes the event here impractical.
- Lunar Marathon cancelled due to poor weather.
- New issues of SkyNews are available as handouts to the public.

**b. Vice President (Bob Nelson)**

- Travelling out of the country.

**c. Secretary (Corey Bolen)**

- RBC statements received.

**d. Treasurer (Corey Bolen)**

Account balances as of 2017-01-31

- Club Account Balance        \$2347.80
- Gaming Account Balance    \$545.11

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

Moved: Mark                      Seconded: Dave                      Carried

A detailed financial report is filed with the minutes.

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

##### **Webmaster Report – Dayton**

- Will add SkyNews link to the website.

##### **Telescope Maintenance Report – Glen**

- The 24” telescope has been initialized, tested extensively, several stars mapped, and the park position redefined.

##### **Observing and Small Scopes Maintenance Report - Glen**

- The 8” piggybacked Celestron telescope was refocused but requires collimation.

##### **Computers and A/V Equipment Report – Glen**

- All computers and programs associated with AllSky meteor captures and radio meteor astronomy have been repaired, updated, and are publishing to the website.

##### **Media Relations Report – Maurice**

- Our Night Sky reports heard on CFIS radio Monday mornings at 10:30am continue to be generated.

##### **Tours and Public Outreach – Blair**

- Science World at Exploration Place, 300 visitors stopped by at the Centre table. 4 volunteers.
- 7 attendees at the first open house of the season. 4 volunteers.
- Tour in January was cancelled.

##### **Grants and Funding Report – Blair**

- \$500 - \$1500 in grant money available from PG Community Foundation. Application deadline of March 15, 2017.
- Gaming grant request status is ‘in progress’.

#### **5. Old Business**

- Update Bylaws/Constitution for provincial compliance.
- Building signage in the spring.
- Light barrier fence in the spring.
- West parking lot drainage improvement in the spring.

#### **6. New Business**

- Investigate solar lighting for the parking lots.
- Estimate for floor maintenance to be obtained on 2017-02-10.
- Keith Egger’s astrophotography talk to be rescheduled.
- Messier Marathon on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

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

The next meeting, PGC162, will be held on Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at Arctic Manufacturing 3323 Hart Highway starting at 7:30 pm. Please submit all agenda items to Blair no later than Saturday, March 4, 2017.

#### **8. Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.