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PGC202 Business Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2021

Date: October 13, 2021 Location: Zoom Meeting

Chairperson: Malhar Kendurkar Recording Secretary: Glen Harris

Executives Present: Malhar, Glen, Dave, Maurice, Gil, Ian Members Present: Shannon, Bob, Steve, Patricia, Adriana, Mike

Guests: Chris Gainor

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Approval of Minutes of PGC201

Motion: To accept the meeting minutes of PGC201 September 8, 2021.

Seconded: Dave Moved: Glen Carried

3. Reports of Officers

a. President (Malhar Kendurkar)

- Refer to new business.

b. Vice President (Maurice Sluka)

- Submitting a Light Barrier spending proposal.

c. Secretary/Treasurer (Glen Harris)

- CWB account balances as of 2021-09-30

General Account Balance \$15847.10

Gaming Account Balance \$5511.60

- \$4642.64 was transferred from the gaming account to the general account to cover gaming related expenses (primarily utilities) paid from the regular account.

Motion: To accept the Treasurer report as presented.

Moved: Glen Seconded: Dave Carried

d. National Representative (Malhar - interim)

- Jim Van Doren is the new PG Centre National Rep.

4. Reports of Committees, including any motions from the Committees Webmaster Report -Glen

- On-line tour booking application is now functional.

Observing and Small Scopes Maintenance Report – Adriana and Mike

- The 10" Orion telescope was collimated.

0.6m Telescope Maintenance Report – Glen

- No issues.

Computers and A/V Equipment Report – Glen

- No issues

Building and Grounds Report – Glen

- Weed whacking was done on Sept 25.
- Dome skirting and membrane need to be repaired.

Media Relations Report – Maurice

- Our Night Sky features being recorded remotely and MP3 file e-mailed to CFIS, for Monday 10:30 am broadcast.

5. Old Business

- Spacer required for the DSLR camera.
- Members' astrophotos required for website.
- Sterilization of water cooler required prior to reopening the observatory.
- All RASC calendars ordered have been sold.
- No response from O'Brien regarding old site cleanup.

6. New Business

- The observatory will remain closed to public gatherings for the foreseeable future. No exceptions.
- New website address is pgrasc.org/wp
- Motion: Form a Robotic Telescope Project committee to implement and oversee the conversion of the existing telescope and associated equipment to a robotic facility. Visual viewing will still be possible. Committee members would be Malhar, Gil, Bob, Steve, and Glen.

Moved: Malhar Seconded: Steve

- A meeting of the above committee will be convened in the near future.

7. Date, Time, and Location of the next Business meeting

- The next business meeting PGC203 will be held on Wednesday November 10, 2021 starting at 7:00 pm using Zoom.
- Please submit all agenda items to Malhar no later than Sunday November 7, 2021.

8. Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm.