

**PRINCE GEORGE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY
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**7365 Tedford Road
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**PGC224 Business Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2024**

Date: January 10, 2024
Location: Zoom meeting

Chairperson: Malhar Kendurkar
Recording Secretary: Glen Harris
Executives Present: Malhar, Glen, Robyn, Rebecca, Gil
Members Present: Colin

Meeting Called to Order at 7:32 pm.

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Approval of Minutes of PGC223

Motion: To accept the business meeting minutes of November 8, 2023.

Moved: Glen Seconded: Gil Carried

3. Reports of Officers

a. President (Malhar)

- Work on spectrograph continues. Urban Sky Park on hold due to weather.

b. Vice President (Gil)

- Our Night Sky episodes are being sent to CFIS radio.

c. Secretary (Glen)

- Processed mail as required.

- Received \$10K in gaming funds.

Motion: To accept the Secretary's report of December 31, 2023.

Moved: Glen Seconded: Gil Carried

d. Treasurer (Glen)

- CWB account balances as of 2023-12-31

 General Account Balance \$835.39

 Gaming Account Balance \$49.36

- \$10K in gaming funds deposited in January will be reflected in the January 2024 statement.

Motion: To accept the Treasurer's report of December 31, 2023.

Moved: Glen Seconded: Rebecca Carried

e. National Representative (Rob)

- RASC National sent out information on the April 2024 solar eclipse.

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

Webmaster Report - Glen

- Updated as required.

0.6m Telescope Maintenance Report - Glen

- No current issues.

Grounds and Building Report - Glen

- The sewage holding tank was pumped out.
- Filled the water tanks.
- Dave removed a tree to the southeast that was partially blocking the view from the viewing deck.

Media Relations Report - Gil

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

Outreach - Glen

- No events in December.

Computer and AV Equipment Report – Glen

- Ongoing issue with computers and peripherals not rebooting after power failures.

Observing and Small Telescope Report – Glen

- Refurbished the tripod of a donated 6” reflector telescope.

5. Old Business

- Christmas Potluck was attended by 24 people.
- Waiting for National to have NOVA material available before determining Centre action.

6. New Business

- Urban Sky Park collaboration on hold due to cold weather.
- Two upcoming tours: Fort St. James homeschool Saturday, January 20, Sparks Group Wednesday, January 24.
- Malhar is invited to DP Todd Career Fair on Monday January 29.
- Capital expenditures as stipulated in the gaming request can now be purchased.
- Require more open house presenters.
- Dome, roof and sidewalks need to be cleared of snow before the January 19th open house.
- Suggestion from Gil to sell some of our extra telescopes tabled.
- Robotic Telescope Project on hold due to weather.

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

- The next business meeting PGC225 will be held on Wednesday February 14, 2024 starting at 7:30pm via Zoom.
- Please submit all agenda items to Malhar no later than Sunday February 11, 2024.

8. Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm.