

**PRINCE GEORGE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY  
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**PGC230 Business Meeting Minutes  
September 9, 2024**

Date: September 9, 2024

Location: Zoom meeting

Chairperson: Malhar Kendurkar

Recording Secretary: Glen Harris

Executives Present: Malhar, Glen, Robyn, Rebecca, Gil

Members Present, Pat

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 pm.

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

**2. Approval of Minutes of PGC229**

Motion: To accept the business meeting minutes of September 11, 2024.

Moved: Glen    Seconded: Gil            Carried

**3. Reports of Officers**

**a. President (Malhar)**

- Meeting with Nancy from Access BC in November regarding handicap accessibility.
- Presenters needed for open houses.
- Home School tour of 45-50 people from Fort St. James scheduled for Saturday, October 26. Malhar will do the talk.

**b. Vice President (Gil)**

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

**c. Secretary (Glen)**

- Processed mail as required.
- Received a reminder to submit the 2023-2024 Gaming Account Summary Report no later than 30 days after the 2024 AGM.

**d. Treasurer (Glen)**

- CWB account balances as of 2024-09-30

    General Account Balance    \$3112.91

    Gaming Account Balance    \$723.42

Motion: To accept the Treasurer's report of September 11, 2024.

Moved: Gil                      Seconded: Robyn            Carried

#### **e. National Representative (Rob)**

- Nothing to report

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

##### **Webmaster Report - Glen**

- Updated to reflect current Open House information.

##### **0.6m Telescope Maintenance Report – Glen**

- No issues

##### **Grounds and Building Report – Glen**

- No current issues.
- Will contact Lynard to see if he will perform snow clearing this winter.

##### **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**

- 1 tour in September - 13 visitors
- 4 Open Houses - 155 visitors
- September Volunteer Hours - 90.75

##### **Annual Totals**

- 191 Tour Visitors
- 1114 Open house Visitors
- 1305 Total Visitors
- Volunteer Hours - 936.25
- Tour of 45-50 people scheduled for Saturday, October 26. Malhar will do the talk.
- Glen to present the Open House talk ‘October Sky viewing using the naked eye and binoculars’ on Friday, October 11.
- Ken to present the Open House talk ‘Messier Objects Part 2’ on Friday, October 18.
- Anticipating viewing Comet C2023 A3 (Tsuchinshan–ATLAS)

##### **Computer and AV Equipment Report – Rob**

- No issues.

##### **Observing and Small Telescope Report – Glen**

- No issues.

##### **Grants and Funding Report**

- Detailed Gaming request funding quotes required by Friday, October 25. Submit to Glen.

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

- Robotic Telescope Project Committee - Ongoing - No Updates.
- Presenters needed for Friday Open House Events.
- ‘No Substance Use’ Sign posted.
- Discussed mounting the 14” scope on southwest pier and protecting with modified used Sea Can.
- Microsoft 365 to be investigated.

- New computer required for the classroom.
- Gaming Grant Budget planning.
- Dome-telescope sync issue resolved.

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

- Detailed Gaming request funding quotes required by Friday October 25. Submit to Glen.
- 14" scope on southwest pier and protecting with modified used Sea Can project deferred to the 2025-2026 Gaming Fund request period due to the time frame required to provide quotes for the work.
- Collaborate with UNBC and the City of Prince George to establish an Urban Sky Park at Rainbow Park.

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

- The next business meeting PGC231 will be held on Wednesday November 13, 2024 starting at 7:30 pm.
- Please submit all agenda items to Malhar no later than Sunday, November 10, 2024.

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

Meeting adjourned at 19:20 pm.