

**PRINCE GEORGE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY
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**PGC235 Business Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2025**

Date: April 9, 2025

Location: Teams meeting

Chairperson: Gil Self

Recording Secretary: Glen Harris

Executives Present: Gil, Glen, Rebecca

Members Present: Shannon

Meeting Called to Order at 7:42 pm.

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Approval of Minutes of PGC234

Motion: To accept the business meeting minutes of March 12, 2025.

Moved: Glen Seconded: Rebecca Carried

3. Reports of Officers

a. President (Malhar)

Regrets. Unavailable.

b. Vice President (Gil)

- Our Night Sky episodes are being sent to CFIS 93.1 radio weekly.

c. Secretary (Glen)

- Processed Canada Post mail as required.

d. Treasurer (Glen)

- CWB account balances as of 2025-03-31

 General Account Balance \$3634.97

 Gaming Account Balance \$6620.14

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented.

Moved: Glen Seconded: Gil Carried

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

Webmaster Report - Glen

- Updated to reflect current Open House and Our Night Sky information.

- Plugins updated.

- Full backup saved monthly to Prince George Centre Google Documents.

0.6m Telescope Maintenance Report – Glen

- The 24” telescope is working well.
- No dome rotation problems.

Grounds and Building Report – Glen

Replaced the control room door passage set.

Media Relations Report - Gil

- Our Night Sky episodes being recorded remotely and MP3 files e-mailed to CFIS 93.1 radio for Monday 10:30 am broadcast.

Outreach – Glen

- March 7: Open house - 4 visitors, 6 volunteers
- March 8: UNBC Photography Club tour: 9 visitors, 3 volunteers
- March 13: Lunar Eclipse - 19 visitors, 2 volunteers
- March 14: Open House - 17 visitors 6 volunteers
- March 21: Open house - 16 visitors 10 volunteers
- March 28: Open House - 12 visitors 9 volunteers
- March 29: Prince George Council of Seniors tour: 24 visitors, 4 volunteers

Observing and Small Telescope Report – Glen

- No outstanding issues.

5. Old Business

- Presenters needed for Friday’s Open House Events
- Lunar Eclipse on March 13th
- Messier Marathon on March 22nd
- PGCOS Volunteer Tour on March 29th and April 12th
- InsightTV Production - Updates will be provided (if any)
- Potential tour for DP Todd in March or early April
- Cancel the Zoom account.

6. New Business

- Robotic Telescope Project Committee - **Ongoing - No Updates.**
- Spectrograph Updates - Malhar will work on it over the summer
- Last open house event on April 18th
- PGCOS tour on April 12th
- Solar viewing events in summer.
- Microsoft Teams training required.
- Zoom account cancelled.
- Need to focus on dome/telescope automation over the summer. Enlist more volunteers if possible.
- Wash the 24” mirror after tours are done.
- Wash and possibly paint the dome exterior this summer.
- Possibly participate in the Canada Day event at Lheidli T'enneh Park

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

- The next business meeting PGC235 will be held on Wednesday May 14, 2025 starting at 7:30 pm VIA Teams.
- Please submit all agenda items to Malhar no later than Sunday, May 11, 2025.

8. Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm