
**MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING
MAY 5, 2002**

Chaired by: David Merritt

1. Convened 19:00

2. Secretary's report (Murison)

- ▶ Election results.
- ▶ Minutes from last year's meeting.
- ▶ Membership changes.
- ▶ **MOTION** to accept report.
 - Motion carries.

3. Treasurer's report (Pete Shelus)

- ▶ AAS was holding for us \$21,000 at end of 2002
- ▶ \$18,150 income, \$15,000 spending
- ▶ current: \$24,509 in holdings
- ▶ end of 2002: \$34,915 total holdings
- ▶ 2002: \$43,000 in B fund (plus \$3k local)
- ▶ \$820 income for B fund
- ▶ \$40,700 total current in B fund
- ▶ AAS is in process of being audited
- ▶ Missing \$10k has been taken care of.
- ▶ **MOTION** to accept Treasurer's report.
 - Motion carries.

4. Report from the Local Host (Joe Burns)

- ▶ 92 attendees (incl. 6 AV)
- ▶ 73 banquet
- ▶ expect "modest" profit

5. Comments from the Program Chair (Newman)

- ▶ experiments this year include:
 - mixed-in tutorial invited talks
- ▶ student stipends:
 - Of 14 winners, 6+ have remained active
- ▶ society outreach
 - SIAM: mini-symposium at Montreal (Joe Burns, Newman, Matt Holman, Martin Duncan giving talks)
 - AIAA: Joe & Bill have had talks with Terry Alfriend (who is here at the meeting).

6. 2003 Brouwer Award announcement (Merritt)

- ▶ Bill Ward is the winner of the 2004 award.
- ▶ Citation read by Merritt.

7. Committee appointments (Merritt)

- ▶ Nominating Committee: David Merritt (Chair), Roeland van der Marel, and Alice Quillen.
- ▶ Selection of one new member of the BASC: Robin Canup. The new committee is then Alar Toomre (Chair), Don Yeomans, Robin Canup, Bill Newman (DDA Chair), and James Binney (previous BA winner).

- ▶ Selection of one new member for Committee on Student Participation: David Merritt. The new committee is then Glen Stewart (Chair), Dan Scheeres, and David Merritt.
- ▶ **MOTION** to accept nominations.
 - Motion carries.

8. Student Stipend Report (Newman)

- ▶ Winners this year:
 - Rory Barnes (U. Washington), "Planet scattering and exoplanet orbits".
 - Edwin Sirko (Princeton), "Galactic Halo".

9. Other societies (AAS, Terry Alfriend, special presentation)

- ▶ 2 conferences per year, Feb. and summer.
- ▶ Next meeting is Feb. in Maui. Invited DDA session? Meeting announcement sometime in August.

10. Old business

- ▶ Committee activity report
 - SS upped to \$750 max, \$400 min
 - Future meetings: 4 days, start Sun., and talks will be 15+5 minutes.
 - Invited speakers reg. fees waived.
 - Sec'y will send announcement about BA before AAS sends out dues notices..

11. Special Report: AAS handling of DDA funds (Bob Milkey, AAS)

- ▶ Quietly in the background, helping, is the goal.
- ▶ AAS is the legal entity (handles corporate admin, taxes, Divisions are protected, etc.)
- ▶ Cash is comingled with AAS accounts, kept track of by AAS accounting
- ▶ Divisions must consult with AAS for legal matters.
- ▶ Contracts must go through AAS (since AAS is responsible for commitments)
- ▶ AAS currently has a very good contracts person.
- ▶ AAS wants \$5 per Division Affiliate for handling.
- ▶ Happy to do meeting registration & etc. for a charge (something like \$350 for the meeting).
- ▶ Abstracts charged \$30.
- ▶ Newman: what would it cost for AAS to prepare the program book files? Milkey: interaction with Program Committee is the problem. Will check with Judy about this.
- ▶ B award income -- what to do?
 - problem is the word "Brouwer" does not appear on the AAS dues form.
 - Pete: Secretary should spam just before AAS invoices go out. Milkey: AAS can send Sec'y a notice a week or so before invoices go out. Milkey: AAS online system can't gracefully handle non-fixed amounts.

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- ▶ AAS takes 4.5% of endowment funds to make available for the prize.
 - ▶ Also, AAS handles insurance.
 - ▶ AAS maintains 501-3c tax exempt status.
 - ▶ \$5 affiliate charge is the only service fee AAS charges members.
 - ▶ DDA funds are merged with AAS investments (currently something like 7-7.5 million \$).
 - ▶ Al Fiala: Have any other Divisions suffered prize problems like our BA problem?
 - Milkey: no, not like DDA, which is somewhat of a special situation.
 - Harris: DPS has same problem, but you can vote to move funds from the general fund over to the prize fund.

12. 2004 meeting (Levison)

- ▶ Morby moved it to Cannes because AAS did not accept the Nice hotel contract. Cannes is nicer anyway.
- ▶ Slide presentation.
- ▶ Unsure if the \$30 lunch is required.
- ▶ Roy Laubscher: propose that we meet in Arlington Hilton instead of France.
 - **MOTION**: rescind Morby's invitation.
 - Motion fails.

13. 2005 meeting (Roy Laubscher)

- ▶ Formal offer to host 2005 meeting in Santa Barbara.
- ▶ The weather will be..."predictable."
- ▶ Venue: Holiday Inn in Galeta (same as previously).
- ▶ **MOTION** to accept Roy's invitation.
 - Motion carries.

14. Comments by the new Chair (Bill Newman)

- ▶ Should we archive our meetings?
 - Statler: privacy and copyright issues.
 - Milkey: AAS journals let you retain the rights to your own figures and papers. If it's an AAS journal, all you need is permission from the third-party author. Data or pre-publication material is perhaps an issue.
 - Harris: Science and Nature are real prickly about these kinds of things.
- ▶ **MOTION** (Canup): Committee will look into this in preparation for trying this next year.
 - Restated by Newman: Committee will come up with a motion to present at next year's meeting.
 - Motion carries.

15. Adjourn 20:45.

2004 DDA ELECTIONS

New Officers:

Chair Phil Nicholson (Cornell)
Vice-Chair Tom Statler (Ohio University)
Committee Members Martin Bureau (Columbia)
Douglas P. Hamilton (U. Maryland)
Stephen McMillan (Drexel U.)

Continuing Officers:

Treasurer Pete Shelus (U. Texas Austin)
Secretary Marc Murison (USNO)
Committee Members Luis Aguilar (UNAM)
Dick French (Wellesley College)
James Hilton (USNO)

Retiring Officers:

Chair Bill Newman (UCLA)
Committee Members Fred Adams (U. Michigan)
Sethanne Howard (USNO)
Dan Scheeres (U. Michigan)

Ballots received: 93 (93 via email)

DDA MEMBERSHIP 2003-2004

Deceased: 0
Regular members: 194
Affiliate members: 53
Junior members: 14
Emeritus members: 36
Total: 297 members
(up from 290 last year)

Members with working email: 285
(96%, up from 279 last year)

Respectfully submitted,

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