



Willingboro Astronomical Society

Meeting Minutes – December 4, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 PM by President Drew Maser

New guests

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Attendance

Was Members: 15, Was Officers: 2

Introductions and astronomical events of interest update

WAS business meetings and events listed on the website

- Dec 12th Holiday party - Lou Burman will be the guest speaker – Topic ‘old telescopes’
 - a. Food preparation starts 6:00 to 6:30 PM
 - b. Food service starts 7:00 to 7:15 PM
 - c. Speaker 8:30 PM
 - d. Clean up 9:45 PM
 - e. Leave by 11:00 PM
 - f. Request that WAS members bring desserts
- Dec 18th informal meeting (at Virtua – see meeting site below)

Old Business

Treasurer’s report:

- Balance presented

New Business

Elections:

- Bernie K is the nomination chairman for the December election of the 2016 WAS Officers
- All Board positions are open for nomination prior to the election

- Final Nominations for election of 2016 Officers:
 - President: Roger Cowley
 - Vice President: Bernie Kosher
 - Treasurer: Wade Evans and Paul Rini
 - Secretary: Dave Neunheuser
- The 2016 WAS offices of President, Vice President and Secretary were elected by acclamation because they ran unopposed.
- The election of the offices of President, Vice President and the Secretary was ratified by the members
- A vote was held for the 2016 WAS office of Treasurer
- Wade Evans was elected Treasurer by a majority vote
- The election of the office of Treasurer was ratified by the members

Meeting Site:

- December 4, 2015 was the last WAS meeting that will be held at the Resurrection Catholic School at Christ of Our Church on King's Highway
- Starting December 18, 2015, future WAS business meetings will be held in a conference room at the Virtua Health and Wellness Center, 401 Young Ave, Moorestown, NJ
 - Free
 - State of the Art Wi-Fi and Audio Visual
 - No picnic or Holiday parties can be held there
 - Need to find another location for the picnic and Holiday party
- Check in with security guard when you arrive. The guard will send you to the meeting room
- Check the website for directions

Club Name:

- As of now, for Virtua, the club name has to be changed to The Astronomy Club
- This name change will not affect the non-profit name, which will still be Willingboro Astronomical Society
- The 2016 Board will address long term plans for the club name

Observations and General Discussion

- Drew M.: Monday, December 7, 2015, the moon occults Venus about noon
- Gary W and Alan D handed out the books and calendars
- Bernie K.: The constellation Hydrus has a meteor shower
- Paul B.: The Geminid meteor shower peaks on Dec 13th and 14th

Meeting was adjourned at 9:17PM.

Submitted by Jim Foy, WAS Secretary.