

# West Jersey Astronomical Society

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## Meeting Minutes for June 20, 2019

**Location:** Virtua Moorestown

**Attendees:** 9

### Officers Present...

President: Steve Kutoroff

Secretary: Arnie Rosemoff

### Informal Meeting

Steve calls the meeting to order at 7:48 pm.

Steve reminds that the picnic is July 27 at camp Ockanickon. Details to follow.

Bernie has a person who would like to donate a Celestron Nexstar scope. Bernie has a donor in mind, but the details of the donation need to be ironed out.

We reviewed the list of club-owned equipment.

We looked at pictures of local Aurora.

Dave displays a picture of the moon that he recently took. Joe described many features that were in the photo. Dave discussed the difference between FireCapture and SharpCap, two popular image-stacking and de-rotating programs.

Joe and Dave discussed the effects of atmospheric turbulence on seeing. Dave said that a vehicle driving down the nearby street creates noticeable changes in seeing.

We talked about computers and processors for digital processing.

We talked about the moon and Jupiter this week. The skies have been mostly cloudy. Joe displayed a photo of the two as Jupiter crossed the meridian. He showed a snapshot of Mars and Mercury as they closely approached each other in mid-June.

We talked about the impending takeover of Sky & Telescope by AAS.

We looked at photos of Jupiter at opposition taken by Christopher Go over a recent period. The GRS showed changes over a rather short term.

Steve adjourns the meeting at 9:35 pm.