

KAA MONTHLY MEETING

Minutes

July 13, 2018

Location: Sullivan Observatory

Time: 7:30pm - 8:30pm

Present: Bob Taylor, Carol Littleton, Gabe Klueh, Jim Faux, Phinie Faux, John O'Neill, David Hayward

Secretary's Report: Accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Club balance: July: \$1,539.17 - June: \$1,519.17.

Upcoming Events:

- *Stay tuned* for possible on-the-fly future club observing sessions. Notifications with details will be by email from Bob, Carol or Gabe.
- Peggy and the Fresh Air Kids observing session tentatively planned for mid July between the 10th and 24th.
- Our next club meeting is scheduled for August 10th at 7:00pm the Sullivan Observatory, with observing afterwards.
- Clubs next monthly observing session is scheduled for August 11th at 9pm the Sullivan Observatory, weather permitting.
- Fitzwilliam Library Observing tentatively scheduled for August 4th at 8:30pm with a rain date of the 18th, at Stacie's House in Fitzwilliam. - **POSTPONED**
- Tentatively planning on going to Dublin for observing either September or October.

Old Business:

- Reminder: The KPL has sponsored an online learning program at **universalclass.com**, which includes an Astronomy 101 free course.
- The Night Sky Network \$50 award was given to a half dozen clubs, but not KAA.
- Bob is continuing work on the AL Moon program. Has 35 more items to get out of 100.
- Observatory Work:
 - Gabe mowed July 9th
- Please email Bob, Carol or Gabe if you have a presentation you would like to do or have a topic you would like us to present on the night sky, telescopes and etc. At this time we have no topic for the next meeting so we're open to suggestions.

New Business:

- Discussed who may want to take over the NSN program from Jim and Phinie. It was decided that Jim will continue on with the program for now and we will re-assess in a few months or so.
- We watched a short video on “Whats up for July “ - highlighting observing targets of the month. We also watched a short video on “Tonight’s Sky: July 2018” from the Hubble Space Telescope YouTube Channel.
- Upcoming Astronomy Events
 - 7/13-7/14 9am Astronomers Conjunction, Northfield, MA
 - 7/31-8/5 9am Adirondacks Astronomy Retreat, Lewis, NY
 - 8/9-8/12 8am Stellafane Convention, Springfield, VT
 - 8/11-8/17 9am Maine Astronomy Retreat, Washington, ME