

We held a quick Board meeting immediately after our August Club meeting.

October Meeting

The Board decided that the October Club meeting would be at Blackwater Falls, and we would not have a separate October meeting.

New Telescope

Ed received notification from Astro-Physics that they are starting their production run for our mount, and that they need a 50% deposit to hold our "place in line". We must let AP know our intention by Thursday, August 23, although we can send in our money after that date. The deposit is fully refundable if we change our minds.

If we do not get in this production run, the next possible run would begin in the summer of 2013, with possible delivery in early 2014.

Chuck will explore when we would get money from the grant if it is successful, and discuss with Danny Blair the effect on the grant prospects if we go ahead and make a 50% deposit. Would that limit the amount we might obtain in a grant?

Chuck and Danny will investigate and discuss. We will vote by E Mail before the 8/23 deadline.

Submitted by John Willson, Secretary