

KVAS Minutes
Club Meeting

Mathis Hall
June 19,2009

Attendance:

Rick Archer, Paul Daniell, Robert Dean Sr., Bonnie Dean, Carol Hillary, James Lowman, Brenton Ogle, Dan Pleska, Cat Pleska, Chuck Spann, Patricia Shaffer, Rodney Waugh, Judy Waugh, Melissa Waugh, Janet Willson, John Willson, Sam Willson, Larry Wyner, Tom Zimmerman

Janet WiUson called the meeting to order:

Members introduce themselves.

Janet thanks Chuck for the refreshments

Janet gives the Treasurer's report in Bob's absence.

Chuck discusses the plaques made from the mesh used in the construction of the Greenbank radio telescope that collapsed. He sells these to the Greenbank gift shop.

KVAS had a board meeting in June. Bob asked if we wanted to buy a new telescope.

The board decided:

- To add \$1,000 to the next CD that comes due.
 - To look into receiving a grant from the Greater Kanawha Valley Foundation
- Prices of several small scopes was presented

A committee was formed to work on grants for the new scope: Rick, Paul, Chuck, Robert, Bob, and Rodney

Paul suggested selling extra astronomy items through the "Astronart" website as a fundraising activity

At the board meeting we decided to buy a netbook for the BWF raffle

Bob suggested a package prize, which we decided to do - anyone can donate something

Saturday, July 18, our annual picnic will be at Breezy Point

Kanawha County fair-look into the possibility of hosting an evening at the observatory, get exposure with county commission

Rodney goes over Starquest:

- Dominion resources donated \$10,000
- The"Driven to Explore" trailer will be there
- a moon walking astronaut

Greenbank program schedule

Chuck will be in charge of the hospitality station at Greenbank.

- Cocoa, tea, coffee - hot water, pre-packaged cups, lids, napkins, artificial sweetener, sugar

Presentation by John Willson and Brent Ogle:

The requirements for a Boy Scout Astronomy Merit Badge.

Brent gave a talk on things visible in the night sky.

Members thank Brent and John for their presentation

Janet adjourns the meeting. The next meeting will be July 18,2009 at Breezy Point

Submitted by Patricia Shaffer

July 13,2009