

Minutes of a Committee Meeting of SAstroS held on

Saturday 19th March 2022 at 11.00 pm

At The Island hall

Present: Annie Dachinger (AD) (Chairman/Starfleet Commander), Reg Guille (RG) (Secretary), Jo Birch (JB) (Treasurer).

1. To approve the Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 25th October 2022.

Approved.

2. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the 25th October 2022.

Item 6. Astronomer in Residence. The committee accepted with regret that Mr Philipp Teutsch was unable to continue in that role. He felt that he had never agreed to the position before it was made, in good faith, by the Committee.

3. Current Bank Balance. The balance as at 19 March 2022 was £6,128.25. JB reported that there is a small decrease on the balance of October last year,. This reduction in balance was due to the some costs arising from the 10th birthday party, and equipment purchases.

4 Equipment issues. Mr Philipp Teutsch had advised not purchasing the Equatorial Mount due to his suspecting salt air being a cause of the electronic failures of the two Meade electronics. However, we do have the money in the account and RG felt that a new mount would assist the viewing experience and simplify the operation by the Observatory Guides.

Action: AD to speak with Bob Bowers.

5. Observatory Guides. RG said that we were in a good place for 2022 for guides, in that we had Anthony, Aga, Caragh, Jolie, Harry and Chris Blythe when on island, as he is not a full-time resident.

Action: RG & JB to meet with the guides to discuss the coming season. To be arranged by RG.

6. Date for AGM. It was agreed that the AGM be held at the Island hall on Thursday 5th May, at 6pm.

7. AOB.

a. Visitor Centre Booking Guide Sheet. The current version was amended.

Action: RG to update and circulate to the Visitor Centre.

b. Officers. An update will be tabled at the AGM.

c. Visit by FR TV-2. This visit would be on the 30th March.

Action: AD with JB to host and bring other members in to help as necessary. Note: This is to be a filming about Victor Hugo and dark skies

The meeting closed at 11.59 am.

