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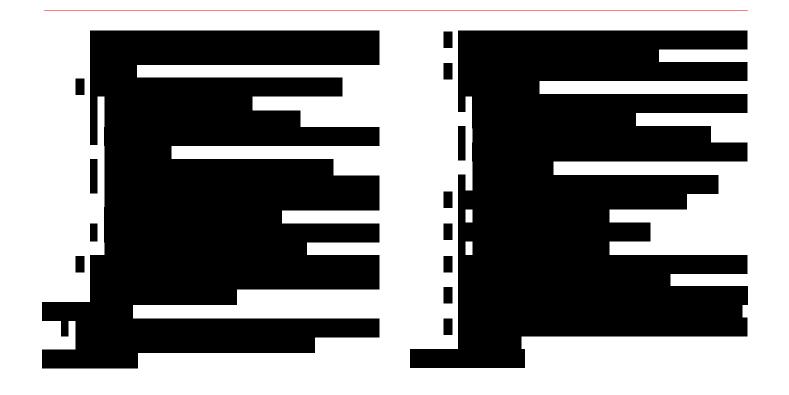
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## MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING APRIL 11, 2000

Chaired by: Stan Peale

- 1. Convened 15:00
- 2. Thanks to local host and helpers
- 3. Secretary's report (Murison: elections, membership changes)
  - ► Accepted (minor corrections).
- 4. Treasurer's report (Shelus)
  - ► Financial report.
    - Dues notices delayed this year (unforeseen circumstances).
    - Phil Ianna still has not submitted money from the C'ville meeting.
    - Check from Estes Park meeting apparently lost in the mail. Another one currently being created.
    - Various other accounting details.
  - ▶ Parent Society Brouwer account: they're still doing the 1999 books. Even so, we have at least \$37,978 in the account. There is probably about \$2,000 further income after the 1999 books are done by AAS.
    - Aarseth waited until after the Brouwer check expired before attempting to cash it. He hasn't cashed the replacement yet (since November).
    - Getting the money to Antonov is going to be interesting.
  - ► We remain in good financial shape (assuming all the "checks in the mail" arrive).
  - Accepted.
- 5. Report from the Local Host (Laubscher)
  - ► Thanks to Murison, Burns, Peale, and Lieske.
  - ► Meeting is going quite well.
  - ► Excellent service from Concessionaire.
  - ► Food has been good.
  - ► We're going to lose a little money, but in general the finances are okay.
- 6. Comments from the Program Chair (Burns)
  - ▶ Number of papers presented went up 15-20% from last year, and meeting length is a full day shorter, necessitating shorter paper lengths this year.
  - ► Thanks to Doug Mink for excellent job on DDA web site.
  - ► Should AAS be more involved in program preparation in the future?
    - Weismann, Harris: AAS does this for AAS, but they charge for it. DDA is still small enough to not require AAS help.
    - Levison: LPI will probably contribute support for next year.
    - Statler: How can we encourage galactic dynamicists to come? Also: attendance this year at GD session was distressingly poor and an insult.
    - Levison: interleave the subjects (e.g., put the papers in alphabetical order). General agreement.
    - Harris: DPS had same problem this year in Padua. 50% of membership complained about the half-day free time. You just can't win on this one.

- 7. 2000 Brouwer Award announcement (Peale)
  - ▶ Myles Standish (JPL) is the winner.
  - ► Citation read by Peale.
- 8. Committee appointments (Peale)
  - ▶ Nominating Committee: Stan Peale (Chair), Phil Ianna, Phil Nicholson.
  - ► Selection of one new member of the BASC, replacing Jack Lissauer, and one new member to stand in for Vadim Antonov: Matt Holman and Chris Hunter, respectively. The new committee is then Doug Richstone (Chair), Bill van Altena, Matt Holman, Chris Hunter, Joe Burns.
  - ► Selection of one new member for Committee on Student Participation: Bill Newman. The new committee is then Gene Byrd (Chair) (U. Alabama), Jane Russell (GSFC), Bill Newman (UCLA).
  - ► Archives Committee: James Hilton (Chair) and Alan Fiala reappointed.
  - ► Approved.
- 9. Student Stipend Report (Murison for Miller)
  - ▶ Mason: make the stipend amount \$800.
  - ► Haghighipour: make the length of the award talk longer make it a *real* award talk.
  - ► Harris: watch out for being taken for a ride if you give the winner essentially a free ride to a meeting (DPS has been burned by this).
  - ▶ Miller has put together detailed set of SS Rules.
- 10. Archives Committee Report (Hilton)
  - ► Described the new Committee, its charter, and the process and activities.
  - ▶ Burns: we should worry about loss of history due to advent of electronic communications.
  - ► Alice Monet: we should scan photographs and add them to the web site.
- 11. Old business: (none)
- 12. New business:
  - ► Amendment of Article VI of DDA bylaws.
    - Fiala: signed envelopes are *not* obsolete. What about multiple votes?
    - Peale: Secretary takes care of this.
    - Harris: paper ballots must have names on them.
       Formally, anonymous ballots are thrown out. You might want to specify in bylaws that anonymous ballots are not allowed. Peale: this will be taken up by Committee.
    - Approved.
  - ► Amendment of Article X of bylaws.
    - No comments.
    - Approved.
  - ► Appointment of the Program Committee: Levison (DDA Vice Chair), Murison (Secretary), Hahn (Local Host)
  - Possible liaisons with other dynamics organizations (Bill Newman)
    - Relevant societies include AIAA and SIAM.
  - ▶ Discussion of 2001 meeting in Houston (Hahn)
    - 2001 meeting will be in Houston at LPI, in brand new meeting with modern A/V equipment.
    - Date: last week of April, 2001, works best for LPI.

- General comment: Sunday through Wednesday is better than Wednesday through Saturday.
- 20 minute talks is better than 15 minute talks.
- Tohline: you can always force some papers into posters. Unwin: this is not as hard as it sounds (speaking from recent experience).
- Hahn: weather will be 85 F. Rain, if it occurs, is torrential.
- Still negotiating hotel rates. But there are lots of choices.
- ► Discussion of 2002 meeting venue (Al Harris)
  - 2002 meeting will be at Timberline Lodge in Oregon. Lodge is smaller (and much more affordable) than Awahnee.
  - Harris will be Local Host if necessary.
  - Conference room is a bit bigger than Yosemite.

- Price should be about the same as Yosemite.
- About 70 miles from Portland Int'l Airport. A shuttle exists for groups.
- Snow: greater chance than Yosemite. Skiing is available.
- 13. Remarks by new Chair (Burns).
  - ► Thanks to Secretary.
  - ► Thanks to Stan Peale.
  - ▶ Need to do better publicizing job.
  - ▶ Like to see more international participation.
  - ► Consider a Prize for young researchers.
  - ► Will try to do better job of interacting with Galactic dynamicists.
- 14. Photo session for Committee Members.
- 15. Adjourned 16:45.

## 2001 DDA ELECTIONS

New Officers:

Chair Hal Levison (SWRI)

Vice-Chair David Merritt (Rutgers)

Committee Members Robin M. Canup (SWRI)

Philip D. Nicholson (Cornell) Thomas S. Statler (Ohio Univ.)

**Continuing Officers:** 

Secretary Marc Murison (USNO)

Treasurer Pete Shelus (U. Texas at Austin)

Committee Members Jane Morrison (STScI)

Judit Ries (U. Texas at Austin)

Steve Unwin (JPL)

Retiring Officers:

Chair Joe Burns (Cornell)

Committee Members Bill Jefferys (U. Texas at Austin)

William I. Newman (UCLA)

Myles Standish (JPL)

## DDA MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP CHANGES,

2000-2001

Deceased: 3 (James H. Bartlett, Samuel J. Goldstein,

Joseph W. Siry)

Retired: 0

Lapsed: 3 (one by request)

Reinstated: 1 New: 25 Regular members: 216 Affiliate members: 39

Total: 255 regular and affiliate members

(up from 231 last year)

Members with valid email: 240 (up from 215 last year)

Respectfully submitted,

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