Minutes of MAS Committee Meeting 2nd February 1999

Present: Phil Ainsworth, Daniel Ross, Noel Sharpe, Bob Bee

Minutes of Previous meeting: Not read due to lack of Minutes and Secretary.

President's Report:

- AGM need to get nominations. (Bob tabled copies of nominations form).
 Agenda Bob will resupply draft AGM agenda.
 Need to put notice of AGM in local newspapers.
- 2) Speaker for AGM night. Will ask Carol Oliver if she can do SETI talk (short and light).
- 3) Phil confirmed that Carol Oliver confirmed we had the Uni room for 1999.
- 4) Don Whiteman (Binoculars and telescope Shop) has asked to be a speaker and agreed.
- 5) Alan Vaughan as a speaker? big IF.
- 6) Peter Williams will come sometime this year.
- 7) Pete and Bobbie Elston talking re Supernovae in February.
- 8) Will still do a Trivia Night.

Correspondence: (Phil Ainsworth)

• Received copy of "Universe" (NSW Society)

Treasurer's report: (Noel Sharpe)

- 1) All accounts are up to date.
- 2) What will we do with the spare Moon Filter donated by Terry Story? Can't raffle it, a limited market.
- 3) Membership There are 59 memberships, some of which are families. We will lose some due to wastage, but other new people are joining.
- 4) Statements. To be prepared for AGM Prime Focus.
- 5) Have lined up an Auditor a chartered accountant.
- 6) Have contacted Dept of Fair Trading re statements etc. Will cost MAS \$30 to register.
- 7) Need to finalise Constitution.
- 8) Committee approved Noel paying up to \$60 for the Auditing.
- 9) Membership ends this February. People to pay membership, due by end of March.
- 10) Renewal of Membership. Put copy of Application/Renewal form in February Prime Focus. Mention the option re Mail out of PF. Payment at March meeting or mailed to PO Box by end of March.

Vice- President's report: (Noel Sharpe)

Site at Cobbity has been approved by Camden Council.

Has a good, flat and large cricket oval, small properties around, trees along way off on the horizon. Good sky. Need the Aerogard.

We need to publicise the Conditions of Use of site (for Society). Need to advertise that at all meetings and star nights, people shall follow the instructions of any committee member. (For safety and other obligations).

Details of the site and conditions will be given to members at the March meeting. Committee will have a 'shakedown' star night, by invitation, on 13th February.

General Business:

- 1) Seek nominations at the February meeting.
- 2) Put Notice of AGM in Prime Focus, as well as Election of Officers. Hand out Nomination Forms at February meeting.
- 3) The Car Park observing went well. Try to make it regualr. Try and get security flood lights off.
- 4) Library: Want to look for a place to store MAS library books at Uni. Is this possible?

Meeting Closed at 9.45pm

R Bee (Acting Minute Secreatry)