

Minutes of the Boulder Astronomy & Space Society Board of Directors Meeting,
10/22/05 6:15 PM

Present: Steven Hartung, Doug Duncan, John Pedersen, and Archer Sully. Keith Gleason was not able to attend, but copies of all documents that were reviewed were left in his office.

The Board reviewed the mission. It was concluded that BASS has the correct focus on public outreach and education.

The Board reviewed the 2005 expenses and compared them to a 2006 projected expense model. Since dues are our main source of funding, this review preceded the dues discussion. The board found no issues with the expenses. Starting from \$0 on 1/1/05, the bank account balance has grown to \$633 as of 10/21/05.

After a brief discussion it was determined that dues structure for 2006 would be unchanged, it was approved: 4 votes for / 0 against.

The dues for remain the same as in 2005, 2006 dues are as follows:

- Members shall pay \$20 per year in annual dues (\$10 after 6/30/06).
- Student Members shall pay \$10 per year in annual dues (\$5 after 6/30/06).
- Contributing Members shall pay a minimum of \$40 per year.
- Patrons of the Society shall provide material or financial support equivalent to a minimum of \$100 per year.

Recruitment was discussed. We have grown to 40 paid memberships, many of them mutli-member family memberships. But there is a desire on everyone's part to reach more people and expand the membership. Doug mentioned exploring taking out a non-profit booth at the Boulder farmer's market. BASS will also continue to post flyers and a poster at Fiske. We will also try some sidewalk astronomy on Pearl St.

501(c)3 application status update – we have ineligible to apply as of yet because we did not have any tax fillings on record with at least 8 months of accounting on the books. We can apply in 2006.

Archer expressed an interest in more outreach. In particular: sidewalk astronomy, and trying to restart the 1st quarter star parties on Flagstaff Mountain. Volunteers and participation are what's needed to make this happen.

There was a discussion about the observing deck equipment. BASS will conduct a survey of the equipment and make recommendations to Keith about what we see as the most beneficial additions would be in support of public viewing.

The Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM prior to the general meeting beginning at 7:00 PM.