

Boulder Astronomy and Space Society  
General Meeting  
December 4, 2004  
Sommers-Bausch Observatory  
Boulder, Colo.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Business and Announcements:

Acting President Steve Hartung introduced the Board of Directors, who had just held their first official meeting:

- Douglas Duncan, Director, SBO
- Keith Gleason, Manager, SBO
- Archer Sully, interim Board Member at Large
- Steve Hartung, interim President
- John Pedersen, interim Treasurer

They adopted the club's by-laws, which will be available on the web site. With by-laws in force, the club can now elect officers and begin collecting dues.

Nominations were invited for officers. The interim executive committee were nominated to their respective positions for elections to be held at the January, 2005 meeting. Nominations were also accepted from the floor, and remained open until the end of the meeting. By the end of this meeting the nominated slate were:

- President: Steve Hartung
- Vice President: Gary Garzone
- Treasurer: John Pedersen
- Web Master: Josh Walawender
- Secretary: Bill Travis

Membership dues will begin at the January meeting. The dues structure, as approved by the Board of Directors, is:

- Individual or family: \$20/yr (\$10 after June 30)
- Student: \$10/year (5\$ after June 30)
- Contributing: a minimum of \$40/year
- Patron of the Society: material or financial support of at least \$100 in value.

Discussion ensued about AL membership, and the next AL convention, to be in Kansas City, in July, 2005, as well as up-coming observing opportunities, potential club projects, etc.

Presentation:

Dr. Dan Durda, Southwest Research Institute, gave a fascinating and technically-rich presentation on asteroids, including video footage of an asteroid occultation of a star taken from an F-18 jet; fly-by imagery of Eros, and modeling of debris dynamics when asteroids collide (with each other and, every once in a while, with the earth). Questions and answers ensued, and Dr. Durda expressed an appreciation for the creation of BASS in a town full of space and astronomical professionals.

After the presentation the meeting was adjourned and some members and guests went up to the observatory and to the observing deck for a look at and through the telescopes.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 29, 2005.

Submitted by:

William R. Travis  
Interim Secretary