KAA MONTHLY MEETING
Minutes

February 8, 2019

Location: KSC

Time: 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Present: Jim & Phinie Faux, David Hayward, Bruce Norlund, Gabe Klueh

Secretary’s Report: Accepted as submitted.


Upcoming Events:

• Stay tuned for possible on-the-fly future club observing sessions. Notifications with details will be by email from Bob, Carol or Gabe.

• Our next club meeting is scheduled for March 22nd at 7:00pm the Keene State College Young Student Center.

• Our next club monthly observing session is scheduled for March 23rd at 7pm the Sullivan Observatory or Otter Brook Dam, weather permitting.

• The Frost Library in Marlborough, NH would like KAA to do a telescope training in May and observing session in June/July. Kristen Readel contacted Bob about events.

Old Business:

• Lunar Eclipse surprised with clear viewing!

• Bob is continuing work on the AL Moon program. Has 2 more items to get out of 100!

• Please email Bob, Carol or Gabe if you have a presentation you would like to do or have a topic you would like us to present on the night sky, telescopes and etc. At this time we have no topic for the next meeting so we’re open to suggestions.

New Business:

• Received email from Charles Sylvia form Troy NH. Recently purchased Celestron NexStar 8SE. Interested in learning more about the club. Plans to attend a meeting.

• Briefly discussed Solar telescopes and article promoting a Daystar’s 60mm ‘Double Stack’ Solar Scout Scope for $695. Discussed looking at other comparable scopes and reviews, and if a solar scope would help in public/daytime outreach. We would like to test some out. We will discuss more next month.
• Jim highlighted a great resource for finding articles via the Keene Public Library website for those with a library card. Under their website’s Resources>Online Tools section is a link to the EBSCOHost Database with searchable publications like Sky & Telescope.


• Bruce brought up the idea of a KAA banner to display while hosting events at the library or parks. We will discuss more next month.

• We watched a short video on “Whats up for February 2019” - highlighting observing targets of the month. We also watched a short video on “Tonight’s Sky: February 2019” from the Hubble Space Telescope YouTube Channel.