

# **FRIENDS OF TAYLOR OBSERVATORY – NORTON PLANETARIUM**

**MEETING AGENDA – Wed March 13, 2019, 5:00 PM Taylor**

**CALL TO ORDER [Haddon]**

**INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

**MINUTES REVIEW [Gill, Acting Secy for February meeting]**

**FINANCIAL REPORT [Markham]**

**ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

- **Audit – Status**
- **LX-200/16 Repair and upgrades (Haddon, Schleif)**
- **Cave-Astrola 6-inch: Restoration (Schleif, Firebaugh)**

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

- 1. President's report [Haddon]**
  - a. Status -- Sonoma County Astronomical Society (SCAS)**
  - b. Add FOTO events to "The Bloom" Calendar (Whittlesey)**
- 2. Clearlake HS - Special event held on March 9. (Schleif, Prather, Alatorre)**
  - **Organized by Nicabec Casido (CLHS) with LCOE approval**
  - **Attendance - 10 planned; over 100 attended (students + parents)**
  - **Certificate/award to Nicabec?**
- 3. LCOE Observatory Assistant position (Gill, Haddon)**
- 4. Public nights for 2019**
  - **February – Tim Gill – report**
  - **March, "Big Bang Band Travelling Star Show" (Angelo Parisi, Terry England)**
  - **April Eduardo Alatorre -**
  - **May, June?**
- 5. Dark Sky Initiative – Cal Pine (Parisi, Haddon)**
- 6. Taylor Weekend Opening – Pilot Project**
  - a. Goals Better access for Lake County resident; enable astrotourism visits**
  - b. Advertising**
  - c. Costs**
  - d. Staffing**
  - e. Source of Funds**
  - f. LCOE/KVUSD approvals**
- 7. Taylor Associates – Proposal (Haddon)**
- 8. FOTO Priorities for 2019 and beyond**
  - **Rejuvenation/repair of LX-200 scope**
  - **Open Taylor on Weekends April-October**
  - **Solar observatory and/or replacement of LX-200 telescope**
  - **??**

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