

FRIENDS OF TAYLOR OBSERVATORY – NORTON PLANETARIUM

MEETING AGENDA – Thurs Oct. , 13, 2021, 5:00 PM Taylor Classroom

CALL TO ORDER [Haddon]

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

MINUTES (McIntyre)

FINANCIAL REPORT [Markham]

BUSINESS ITEMS

1) President's report (Haddon)

- Prepared a post-COVID operating plan for telescope resources – submitted to LCOE August 24.
 - Establish an all-digital, remotely operable telescope facility, replacing the Meade 16”
 - Centerpiece is the purchase of the all-digital Celestron 14” Rowe-Ackerman-Schmidt Astrograph with associated hardware and software for remote operation.
- October meeting, Jennifer Kelly; Brock Falkenberg, Rob Young, Lynda Nichols.
 - FOTO plan accepted by LCOE with commitment to fund up to \$25,000 of the total estimated \$37,000 costs (includes some upgrades to the dome involving air handling)
 - Order process initiated through Lynda Nichols. Quotation is \$13,579.03, incorporating 3% educational discount, from Matt Dahl, Cloud Break Optics, LLC in Seattle.
 - Delivery time is 6 months. LCOE processing the order.
- KV Middle School – Lighting issue
 - Rob Young has ordered the light shielding screen for the East and North fences

2) BOD

- Application from Angelo Parisi, Discussion and vote
- Tom Schlieff now lives permanently in Wisconsin.
- Seeking BOD member representing Lake County Business community
- Seeking teacher as BOD member.

3) FOTO Window to the Universe Events and other special events

- CLSP Performance in August (Angelo’s band)-- cancelled.

4) The Ukiah Latitude Observatory – [Eduardo]

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

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