KVAS Notes for the October 21st, 2016 meeting.

Due to unmanageable traffic, only 10 people attended the meeting. Robert Dean, Danny & Sandy Blair, Mike Riggs, Ed Connors, John & Janet Willson, Rodney & Judy Waugh and a new person, Kaitlin Bedekovich and she joined the club.

We discussed Astronomy Weekend. I thanked the speakers and everyone that helped with Astronomy Weekend. We netted more money than last year. The door prizes were better this year and well presented. The attendees and members were satisfied with the results.

We also discussed that the club scope primary mirror mount needs replaced or reworked. When the scope moves from one side of the sky to the other, a clunk can be heard as the mirror moves, changing the collimation. Over a period of time, this could damage the mirror, causing it to need to be recoated. Ed looked for a new mount and they are impossible to find as people have moved to Dobsonian Telescopes that now use a sling mount. Ed will move on this during cold weather. The Directors budget may cover this or more money was approved a few months ago. Another thing that came up is the road. We need trees and brush cut from both sides. We might hire this done. This last item was tabled till we can hold a Board Meeting.

I went over the history of the club and the upcoming Total Solar Eclipse of August 21st 2017 for the new member.

At the upcoming election, at this point, I do not plan to run for president next year. Judy and I plan to go on vacation.

Due to not having a quorum, we did not have a board meeting. I plan to hold a fourth quarter board meeting at the November 18th monthly meeting.

Rodney