KVAS NOTES 5/15/15

KVAS held the first board meeting of 2015 on May 14^{th} at Breezy Point. The board voted to accept a donation marked for the purchase of an eyepiece for the telescope. There was a unanimous board vote to present the purchase of a 3^{rd} eyepiece to the club members to complete a set. This set, if purchased, would have a <u>visual range of 68-365 magnifications</u>. The board suggested that a solar scope would be a beneficial scope addition to consider for the future.

When the board's recommendations were presented, Robert Dean made the motion to accept the purchase of one eyepiece by donation and the second eyepiece by the club and this was seconded by Lewis Cook—the club was in favor of purchases. <u>The Paracorr that was ordered last month arrived</u>. This will complete a set of eyepieces that sufficiently meets the needs of the club.

Bob was asked to research blue filters and present the most appropriate brand for the club scope.

Bob recommended that a removable sign be placed on the roadway so invited parties could easily find the road to Breezy Point.

The star party for Montrose Elementary was held on 5/14/15 at Breezy Point. Rodney, Ed, Bob, Carol, Judy, Michael and Robert were present.

Dan Pleska presented changes in the bylaws and members made suggestions for alternate wording. This addendum will be presented at the next club meeting for voting.

Lewis Cook was elected as the 9th KVAS board member. Rodney presented the motion and Ed seconded with club members accepting the position.

KVAS is looking for the missing pier that was used to support the clubs 12" Meade SCT. People remember WVSU wanted it for use in a new observatory that was never built.

The treasurers' report was given and accepted.

Rodney made a presentation on the Sun.

Janet and John Wilson will be providing refreshments for the June 12, 2015 meeting at The Hansford Center in St. Albans.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

The next club meeting will be on 6/12/15 to avoid conflict with Rodney and Ed's presentation at Davis and Elkins (6/13/15) and Star Quest at Greenbank Observatory (6/17-21/15).

Kanawha County Library star party 7/10/15

Black Water Falls Weekend 10/1-4/15

The KVAS annual picnic will be held in September.