

**Dudley Observatory Board of Trustees**  
Minutes of the Meeting on  
February 3, 2010

Members present: Vincent Amodeo (President), Janie Schwab, Erin Breslin, Alan French, Doug Klein, Mike Kornstein, Mark Marchand, Heidi Newberg, Cherrice Traver, Joan Wagner, Bob Ward, Francis Wilkin, Daniel Wulff

Members absent:

Vince Amodeo called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

The board approved the minutes of the meeting on November 11, 2009.

Report of the Site ad-hoc Committee

Bob Ward submitted a written report and stated the committee met on February 1<sup>st</sup> to review the results of the recent board survey. The Committee recommended engaging Diana Wright, a commercial real estate broker, as a buyer's agent, to represent Dudley in regard to locating possible sites. After much discussion, the motion was approved, with the details of the engagement to be settled upon by the site committee.

Report from Special meeting of the Board on January 27, 2010.

Heidi Newberg reported on the planning meeting to review and assess how Dudley is meeting the goals of its vision statement. She distributed notes from the planning meeting. The Board also discussed the benefits of acquiring a more modern telescope.

Report of the Executive Director

Janie Schwab provided a written report and discussed the status of the web site, personnel issues, educational developments, collections issues, and upcoming events. She reported that she expects to be appointed an adjunct research associate at UAlbany which could be a benefit to Dudley.

Finance & Physical Plant Committee

An income and expense statement for the period July, 2009 through December, 2009 was distributed along with an investment income summary from the Commonfund. There was a discussion of accounting procedures. The auditor has indicated that Dudley should not show the annual endowment contribution as income, but may show dividends as income.

Report of the Nominating and Board Development Committee

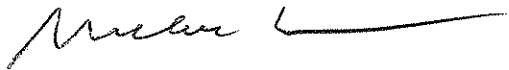
Bob Ward noted that we have lost some senior members of the board and we need some new talent. The resume of Bryan Amedio was distributed as a possible board member, and upon motion duly made and seconded, he will be asked to join the Finance Committee. The committee nominated the following candidates as officers for the coming year – President – Vincent Amodeo; Vice President – Francis Wilkin; Interim Treasurer – Vince Amodeo; and Secretary – Mike Kornstein.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, these individuals were so appointed. The committee hopes to advance one or more board nominations at the next meeting.

Reports from the Event Committee, the Education Committee, and the Curriculum Committee were distributed at the meeting but due to the length of the meeting were not discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael A. Kornstein", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Michael A. Kornstein, Dudley Board Secretary