ICAS MEETING

July 18th, 2016

Community Room Hayes Hall, Skagit Valley College

Meeting called to order by the President Bob S at 6:30 P.M.

Attendance: 10 members and 4 guest.

Mike gave the monthly astronomy highlights. Delta Aquarids Meteor Shower July 28th and 29th, Perseids Meteor Shower August 11th and 12th, Best time to see Mercury low in the west just after sunset August 16 and a close conjunction of Venus and Jupiter August 27th. Sept 3rd best time to see Neptune.

Astronomy 101: Bob did a presentation on Nebula’s

Main Presentation: Richard did a presentation on stellar research items, presenting a myriad of tools used in researching the night sky such as maps, various charts, tools and related software.

Dan discussed the advantages and benefits of becoming a member

**Business Meeting** – called to order at 7:30 pm

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as presented.

Treasurer’s Report:

Outgoing $17.79

Incoming $0

Balance $2,480.45

The next club meeting will be September 19th and the next star party will be September 2nd at Ft. Nugent. Oregon Star Party will be from 2nd August thru the 7th August. Camp Delany 25th anniversary Star Party Registration will start in August for 28th September to 2nd October. A private star party will be held at Table Mountain in Ellensburg the same weekend as Camp Delany.

September 101: Galaxies

September Main Topic: Richard – TBD

Building Solar Filters will likely be in October. Not definite.

Outreach:

* Star Party at City Beach July 8th cancelled due to weather

Future Outreach

* A star party is scheduled at Deception Pass State Park August 27th 8PM. Please contact Bob if interested in helping out. **Extra telescopes are needed.**
* NO star party was scheduled for month of August due Oregon Star Party and other non-local astronomy events.
* Mount Vernon City Library is requesting solar scopes to be brought for their Centennial Social on Saturday July 30th between 1-4pm. Carl will head up. Please let Bob know if interested in helping out.
* Bob W has confirmed that we are on the Calendar January 6th 2016 at the Methodist Church in Oak Harbor for the ICAS Annual Holiday Dinner and Raffle.

There will be no meeting in August.

Meeting adjourned 8:06 PM

End

ICAS Secretary – Mike Thompson