

**MINUTES OF THE MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE 77TH SPRING  
MEETING OF THE AAVSO HELD IN ITHACA, NY  
MAY 7, 1988**

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM by President Keith H. Danskin. The Secretary's minutes of the October 1987 Annual Meeting were read and approved. Mr. Wales summarized his interim Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 1988, noting particularly that the Endowment Fund total valuation was down about 6% as a result of the October 1987 stock market crash. Discussion resulted in minor questions and replies, and the report was approved by general vote.

President Danskin called for Committee Reports, and the following were duly presented and discussed:

Supernova Search	R. Evans (read by L. Cox)
Nova Search	K. Beckmann (read by D. Behan)
Solar Division	P. Taylor
Chart Distribution	J. Mattei
New Charts	C. Ford
Eclipsing Binaries	M. Baldwin
RR Lyrae Stars	M. Baldwin
Photoelectric Photometry	H. Landis
Classical Cepheids	T. Cragg (read by L. Cook)
Telescopes	C. Scovil

Details of these reports appear in the issue of the *Journal of the AAVSO* for this meeting.

The official presentation of the Jaroslav Kruta Maksutov Telescope to the Association occasioned special speeches by President Danskin, Mr. Donald Hurlless from Ohio, Director Mrs. Mattei, Secretary Ford, and Mr. Scovil. This telescope, made by Mr. Kruta and a gift from him to the late Mrs. Hurlless, was donated by her estate to the Association and was voted by the AAVSO Council to be displayed in the library at AAVSO Headquarters.

The Director reported the attached list of new membership applications approved by the Council at its meeting on May 6, 1988. Members and guests stood in silent respect for the following members deceased since the October 1987 meeting, as read by Dr. Mattei:

Thomas Martin (CA)                      James Soder (OH)

President Danskin opened the meeting for discussion of the currently instituted new annual membership dues. Comments were made by Mr. and Mrs. Glenn, Mr. Luft, Mrs. Fausel, Dr. Percy, Mr. Baldwin, and others. Various alternatives to the proposed increases were suggested, but no action was taken by the general meeting.

The Director announced plans for future meetings as follows:

1988 Annual Meeting:	Headquarters, Cambridge, MA October 21 - 23, 1988.
1989 Spring Meeting:	Plans still pending.
1990 Special Meeting:	Plans in process for a meeting in Europe, probably in Brussels, Belgium, July 1990.

Following a 15-minute coffee break, the meeting reconvened at 10:40 AM, and Dr. Mattei presented a semi-annual report of Headquarters' activities, highlights of which appeared in *AAVSO Newsletter No. 4*. Highlights included: 260,000 archival observations now computerized; *AAVSO Monograph No. 4* (AH Her) now in preparation; Ted Dunham Foundation now funding new IBM-compatible computer for handling incoming computerized observations and analyzing long-term

data; European HIPPARCOS Satellite Project to utilize AAVSO data; new research proposal rejected by the National Science Foundation but may be re-submitted for NASA approval. Her report was greeted by a standing ovation as usual.

The Saturday morning meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM for lunch and a group photograph.

The afternoon paper session convened at about 2:15 PM, and the papers on the attached list were duly presented and discussed. Abstracts appear in the issue of the *Journal of the AAVSO* for this meeting. The session was adjourned at 5:15 PM.

In the evening, members gathered for the Banquet at Johnson Museum and an enlightening post-banquet talk on the future of U.S.A. space programs by Prof. Joseph Veverka of Cornell University. The university's Hartung-Boothroyd Observatory was visited by a group of members on Sunday morning, May 8, 1988.

Clinton B. Ford  
Secretary

**PAPERS PRESENTED AT THE 77TH SPRING MEETING  
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MAY 7 - 8, 1988**

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| 1. Janet A. Mattei     | Report on Meetings Attended<br>A) Scientific Aspects of the Input<br>Catalogue Preparation for the HIPPARCOS<br>Satellite<br>B) A Decade of UV Astronomy with the IUE<br>Satellite |
| 2. Marvin E. Baldwin   | A Newly Discovered Eclipsing Binary  |
| 3. Emilia P. Belserene | Updated Period Analyses from the Maria<br>Mitchell Observatory   |
| 4. Marvin E. Baldwin   | A Neglected RR Lyrae Type Variable   |
| 5. Carrie J. E. Myers  | Confirmation of the Changing Period of DL<br>Cas   |
| 6. John R. Percy       | Photoelectric Monitoring of Bright Be Stars  |
| 7. David B. Williams   | Visual and Photoelectric Observations of<br>Beta Lyrae, 1983-1987  |
| 8. Marvin E. Baldwin   | Adjustment of Prediction Elements for an<br>Eclipsing Binary   |
| 9. Charles A. Fausel   | Mr. Ferdinand Hartmann - A Commentary  |
| 10. Herbert A. Luft    | The Present Sunspot Activity   |
| 11. Janet A. Mattei    | Low-Amplitude Long-term Modulations<br>Resembling Solar Cycles in SS Cygni   |
| 12. Barbara L. Welther | Leo Goldberg (1913 - 1987): Satellites to<br>Supergiants   |

## List of New Members Accepted at this Meeting

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## List of Members Deceased Since October, 1987

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