Entering 6th year

- New workshop September 28-29, 2001

Fifth Annual Follow-up Workshop – March 24

- 63 Venus topography boxes created
- Continued support even through change of NOAO Directors
Staff Changes

- Ginny Beal left end of January
- Connie Walker successor
  - Astronomer
  - Active participant in science education including Project ASTRO-Tucson
  - Brings considerable expertise and experience
Coalition

✨ Coalition “on retainer”

- No meeting past year but do interact with individuals often
- Excellent responses to requests for help

✨ Exploring idea of having Educational Outreach coalition that advises and support ASTRO and other Educational Outreach programs
Site Statistics

- Over 250 astronomer and teacher partners trained at annual workshops
  - 113 partnerships to date - estimate 75 active
    - Some partnerships are more than 2 people
  - 15,000 students have been impacted to date by site partnerships
New Initiatives

2001-2002 School Year –

- NOAO Education programs benefit from U of A fellowship program called Collaboration to Advance Teacher of Technology and Science (CATTS)
  - NSF funded for Graduate Teaching Fellows in K-12 education
  - Two U of A students (one grad, one undergrad) will assist ASTRO & RBSE by being in the classroom and assisting with gathering and analysis of evaluation data
No new ASTRO-Tucson proposals submitted

- Last year received funding for 3 years
  - Jim Wright at NSF/AST funded half-time Site Coordinator
  - Extended with IDEAS grant – paid for a Moon Journals Project ASTRO workshop
Publicity

✧ Quarterly NOAO Newsletter always includes article about Project ASTRO-Tucson and the National Network

✧ Circulation over 2100 and growing (mostly professional astronomers)