

Langley Alumni Association
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Call to Order and Meeting Overview: Damodar Ambur called the April 13th LAA Board zoom meeting to order at 1:25 PM. He mentioned that LAA team will present to LaRC retirement-eligible employees on April 22. The presentation will be posted on the LAA website.

Attendance: A quorum (15) of voting members was present: Damodar Ambur, Geoff Tennille, Charlie Cockrell, Dick Hueschen, Linda Bangert, Dan Palumbo, Duncan McIver, Bill Tennis, Mike Marcolini, Charles Laney, Doug Morris, Olaf Storaasli, Rick Ross, Manjula Ambur, and Ray Whipple. The following non-voting members: Marilyn Ogburn, Chair of the LRKC ad-hoc Committee; and Melanie Robinson, Ex Officio LaRC liaison to the LAA were also in attendance.

Secretary's report: The minutes of the March 9th meeting were accepted and approved.

Treasurer's Report: **Treasurer Geoff Tennille** noted Treasurer's Report given at the General Meeting. IRS 501C3 still being worked.

Communications Committee: **Dick Hueschen** noted obits given at the General Meeting. He will add them to the website.

Programs Report - Dan Palumbo: For the Mariners Museum tour: \$50 for 20 people, \$100 for the lecture on Shady Ladies (female pirates) that was a favorite in previous member survey plus an optional box lunch. Dan proposed that the Board cover expenses up to \$250. Charlie Cockrell moved "The LAA pay the cost of the Lecture and the tour of the Mariners Museum", seconded by Bill Tennis. The motion passed. Much discussion ensued over exact terms, e.g., members, spouses. Most favored individuals paying for their own box lunches. It was observed that the actual cost to the Board will not be known until number of attendees is known. The number of attendees will not be known until the cost of the box lunches is known. When the cost of the box lunches is known, information will be provided to the membership. The 2022 program schedule looks good and is booked through June.

Membership Committee Report: No further report

Hall of Honor Committee Report: **Duncan McIver** reported that the full team will meet May 10-14. There will be an update to the Hall of Honor website. Details have been added to the nomination form and it will be on the website in September.

LAA Website Committee Report - Olaf Storaasli: There were some complications in changing the website, but it is all resolved. Photos of the Board Members are on our new website. **Rick Ross:** The first quarterly newsletter is set for June. He described the

content and requested that he receive material 6 weeks in advance. The cut-off will be 2 weeks in advance.

LRKC Ad-Hoc Committee Report - Marilyn Ogburn: Reported that there is a NASA-wide knowledge capture working group who would like to receive a copy of the charts that were discussed earlier. She has had conversations with the LaRC photo archivist about a method for LAA members to provide information to her. On March 15, the committee met with LaRC's employee mentoring resource group (MERGE) to discuss LAA participation in the on-line mentor/mentee matching tool. There was general agreement to wait until after the April 22 presentation to survey members for interest in mentoring and other knowledge sharing opportunities.

There was a discussion of the need to get a handle on our polling. How many surveys are we sending out? The consensus was that it should be less than one per month.

Langley Representative: Melanie Robinson The NASA centers are not to exceed 25% occupancy. The Langley cafeteria may not reopen.

Next Board Meeting: The next Board meeting will be a Zoom meeting on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 1:00 PM. Call-in information will be sent to members in advance of the meeting.

Adjournment of the Board Meeting With no further business, Damodar adjourned the February 9th Board Zoom meeting at 2:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Whipple, LAA Secretary