

# Langley Research Center Alumni Association Minutes of the General Membership Meeting Tuesday, April 12, 2022

**Call to Order and Meeting Overview:** The President, Dan Palumbo, called the April 12, 2022, Zoom General Membership meeting of the Langley Research Center (LaRC) Alumni Association, Inc. (LAA) to order at 11:47 AM.

**Attendance:** At least 24 alumni attended some portion of the meeting.

**President's Report:** The President, Dan Palumbo, presented a recap of the March 8<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting:

- The newsletter required a correction. Rick Ross will discuss the details during his report.
- We had planned to schedule a tour of Military Aviation Museum for today, but due to a limited response, we decided to have a presentation for today's meeting instead. Vicki Crisp scheduled Kevin Rivers to talk about Artemis and the Space Launch System (SLS).
- The tour of the Military Aviation Museum was rescheduled for April 21 at 10:00 AM. A registration form had been sent previously, and Dan will resend the form. While registration is not necessary, those who do register and indicate they would like to carpool will be contacted to make arrangements for carpooling.
- The Hall of Honor (HoH) final results are due in April. The HoH honor ceremony is tentatively scheduled for July *if* we can do an in-person meeting.
- We successfully tested the hybrid meeting capability, combining an in-person meeting capability in the NACA room with live streaming via Zoom. If arrangements can be made for badges, we will test more at next month's General and Board meetings, with half the board in the NACA room and the rest of the participants on Zoom.

**Secretary's Report:** The Secretary, Rick Ross, reported that the minutes from the General and Board meetings have been distributed to the Board and updated. The final minutes will be voted on during today's Board meeting.

Thanks to all who submitted articles for the March 2022 newsletter. The next newsletter will be distributed in June, and the deadline for articles is May 10<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is encouraged to submit articles; we were short on articles for the last newsletter.

Rick reported that Jonathan Ransom had previously raised a concern with the newsletter article on the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST). The article was based on information from Charlie Blankenship, who provided a reference to a NASA Spinoff article from 2012 stating that the Langley-developed materials LaRC-CP1 and LaRC-CP2 were used for the JWST; however, this was based on out-of-date information. Thanks to input from several LaRC and LAA members, the newsletter was revised. The reference to the NASA Spinoff article which was no longer valid was replaced with a reference to a NASA Technical Memorandum describing the use of these materials on the MISSE experiment for the International Space Station (ISS).

**Treasurer's Report:** Dan Palumbo reported that the Treasurer, Geoff Tennille, is on travel, so Dan will be presenting the Treasurer's Report on Geoff's behalf. Our old Langley Federal Credit Union (LFCU) account was closed in March and was replaced with a new account. Because LAA needed to obtain a new Employer Identification Number (EIN) from the IRS, the LAA bank accounts needed to be changed. Unfortunately, LFCU was not able to change the EIN, so we needed to open a new account.

Income during March included one new life membership, one life membership upgrade, two annual memberships, a \$5 donation from Geoff Tennille, and dividends from the Money Market account. Expenses during March included a Zoom license and the purchase of new checks.

As of March 31, 2022, the LAA had the following balances in the old LFCU accounts:

<b>Account</b>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
LAA Organizational Shares	\$5.00	\$0.00
Money Market Savings	\$10,920.37	\$0.00
Smart Checking	\$3,971.07	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,896.44</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

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<b>Account</b>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
LAA Organizational Shares	\$0.00	\$25.00
Money Market Savings	\$0.00	\$11,026.07
Smart Checking	\$0.00	\$3,931.89
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$14,982.96</b>

Dan announced that the IRS has approved our non-profit status. As a result, we can now get a Microsoft Office license for the Board with 1 TB of storage space on the cloud for archiving documents. This is at no cost!

**Communications Officer's Report:** The Communications Officer, Dick Hueschen, reported the passing of five alumni: Thomas Maxwell Walker; Dr. James ("Jim") Arthur Martin; Dr. Edward ("Carson") Yates, Jr.; Barry E. Golembiewski; and James Eugene Privette, III. The names, with links to the full obituaries, will be posted on the website. Dick asked for a moment of silence to honor our alumni who had passed. LAA has three new members for this month: Lynn Daniel Curtis, William ("Bill") Lynn, and Craig Ohlhorst.

**Vice President and Program Chair's Report:** The Vice President and Program Chair, Vicki Crisp, reported that there are no updates to the programs. She is talking with Donis Anders about catering for the July picnic.

Today's presentation was given by Kevin Rivers, Associate Center Director – Technical. The presentation was titled "Returning to the Moon: NASA's Artemis Missions."

Dan Palumbo presented the speaker's gift, which will be mailed to the speaker.

**Adjournment of the General Meeting:** Dan Palumbo adjourned the meeting at 1:04 PM.

**Next General Meeting:** The next LAA general membership meeting is planned to be a hybrid meeting, with a limited number of Board members participating from the NACA room and everyone else participating via Zoom. The meeting will be held at 11:30 AM on May 10, 2022. Call-in information will be sent to members in advance of the meeting, and all members are encouraged to participate.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rick Ross, Secretary