

Langley Research Center Alumni Association Minutes of the General Membership Meeting Tuesday, August 9, 2022

Call to Order and Meeting Overview: The President, Dan Palumbo, called the August 9, 2022, hybrid General Membership meeting of the Langley Research Center (LaRC) Alumni Association, Inc. (LAA) to order at 11:47 AM.

Attendance: There were at least 24 in-person and 22 remote attendees for some portion of the meeting.

President's Report: The President, Dan Palumbo, recapped the last Board meeting:

- Our last Board meeting was in June because of the July picnic. Our next scheduled event is the holiday luncheon in December, but hopefully we can have some other activities before that.
- Melanie Robinson has provided us with an LAA mailing address. We are also trying to get a phone number that will be persistent as we change Board members. With an address and phone number, we will be able to obtain a free Microsoft 365 business account.
- We do not need to purchase a laptop because Melanie can arrange to get one from NASA. However, we will need to switch to Microsoft Teams. Hopefully, the September meeting will be on Teams.
- We now have an ad hoc IT Committee. We plan to establish this as a permanent committee for next year, but this requires a change to the By-Laws.

Secretary's Report: The Secretary, Rick Ross, reported that minutes from the previous meetings have been circulated among the Board members and that all changes have been incorporated. The minutes will be voted upon at today's Board meeting. Rick requested newsletter articles for the quarterly newsletter in September. The deadline is this Friday; please submit your articles to Rick.

Dan Palumbo stated that Rick will be stepping down from his position as Secretary to chair the IT Committee. We will need someone to replace him; please consider volunteering. Geoff Tennille added that this does not have to be a long-term commitment since we will be seeking nominations for new officers for 2023.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer, Geoff Tennille, reported that we have two Treasurer's reports because we did not meet in July.

As of June 30, 2022, the LAA had the following balances in the Langley Federal Credit Union (LFCU) accounts:

| Account | Beginning Balance | Ending Balance |
|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| LAA Organizational Shares | \$25.00 | \$25.00 |
| Money Market Savings | \$11,128.17 | \$11,330.12 |
| Smart Checking | \$4,021.94 | \$4,816.94 |
| TOTAL | \$15,175.11 | \$16,172.06 |

In June, we had income from two life memberships, 16 annual memberships (two of which were for two years), payments for the July picnic, and from interest. Expenses were for the Virginia State Commission Corporation annual filing fee.

As of July 31, 2022, the LAA had the following balances in the Langley Federal Credit Union (LFCU) accounts:

| Account | Beginning Balance | Ending Balance |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| LAA Organizational Shares | \$25.00 | \$25.00 |
| Money Market Savings | \$11,330.12 | \$11,333.97 |
| Smart Checking | \$4,816.94 | \$4,207.44 |
| TOTAL | \$16,172.06 | \$15,566.41 |

In July, we had income from payments for the July picnic, two annual memberships (one of which was for two years), and interest. Expenses were for catering for the July picnic.

Communications Officer's Report: The Communications Officer, Dick Hueschen, reported the passing of 14 alumni since our June meeting: Thomas "Dale" Bess, Carol Haas Satterwhite, Richard "Pete" Petersen, Peggy Brooks Rollins, John "Jack" Hudson, Thomas "Tom" Norum, Richard "Dick" Davis, John "Jack" Preisser, Charles "CJ" Shoemaker, Charles "Charlie" Ruhlin, Donald "Don" Riley, Francis Capone, Archie Norton, and Carrie Creedon. 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.

Vice President and Program Chair's Report: Dan Palumbo stated that Vicki Crisp could not be here, so Doug Morris will introduce our speaker, Dr. Bobby Braun. The presentation is titled "Are We Alone? The Search for Life Elsewhere in Our Solar System."

Dan Palumbo presented the speaker's gift to Dr. Braun.

Next General Meeting: The next LAA general membership meeting will be a hybrid meeting, to be held at 11:30 AM on September 13, 2022. Call-in information will be sent to members in advance of the meeting, and all members are encouraged to attend.

The meeting was adjourned by Dan at 1:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Rick Ross, Secretary