

Langley Research Center Alumni Association

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, Oct 11, 2022

Call to Order and Meeting Overview: The Vice President, Vicki Crisp, called the Oct 11, 2022, hybrid Board of Directors meeting of the Langley Research Center (LaRC) Alumni Association, Inc. (LAA) to order at 1:19 PM.

Old Business included the remaining need to submit candidate names for the roles of LAA Secretary and Vice President. It also highlighted the continuing discussion of reformatting both General and Board meetings.

Attendance: A quorum (16) of voting members (and proxies) was present, with 9 Board members attending in person, 5 attending remotely, and 2 attending by proxy: Dan Palumbo, Vicki Crisp, Geoff Tennille, Rick Ross, Dick Hueschen, Mike Marcolini, Duncan McIver, Olaf Storaasli, Doug Morris, Stan Cole, Dave Hinton, Wes Goodman, Ed Prior, and Domenic Maglieri. The following non-voting members were also in attendance: Melanie Robinson.

President's Report: The President, Dan Palumbo, reported that he had a wonderful vacation although he dealt with the storms from Ian. Dan suggested the Exec Comm provide a more cogent reporting of options for the changes being considered with respect to General and Board meeting frequency. There was a brief discussion among Board members with a few suggestions such as "odd or even" months, the Board every other but General meeting stays monthly. Dan's objective is to reduce the workload of the Board members and provide schedule space for social activities. Dan also recommended that Tony Pototzky join the Exec Comm during these discussions.

Secretary's report: The Secretary, Rick Ross, reported that Dan Palumbo created the Minutes from last month's meeting. It went well given the multi-media support now provided to create the Minutes.

Rick Ross made a motion to accept the minutes from last month, Vicki Crisp seconded the motion, and it was unanimously passed. The minutes will be posted on the LAA website.

Rick then referred to the Secretary's Report given at the General Membership meeting.

Vice President and Programs Chair's Report: The Vice President and Programs Chair, Vicki Crisp, announced that the Winter Luncheon has yet to be planned. Vicki will work this event in the coming weeks. The Winter Luncheon will not include a speaker.

Speaker suggestions to include technical discussions in areas outside of typical NASA topics were provided.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer, Geoff Tennille, referred to the Treasurer's Report given at the General Membership meeting. Geoff still has not seen the "pass through" contribution Damodar and Manjula are providing to the AIAA STEM program.

Next month, Geoff will begin to send members reminders for annual dues.

Geoff provided an update for one of the full obituaries.

Communications Officer's Report: The Communications Officer, Dick Hueschen, referred to the Communications Officer's Report given at the General Membership meeting. He will pass on the obituaries information for upload to the website.

We will add the Obituaries Names List to the General Meeting Agenda.

Membership Committee Report: The Membership Chair, Mike Marcolini, reported that most of our membership are STs. How do we recruit more from other areas, such as technicians? We believe the perception is that the Alumni focus on STs and most of our speakers reinforce that perception. What is the value to our members? We believe part of it is to continue to feel like part of the NASA family. Mike wants to hear from others

Hall of Honor Committee Report: The Hall of Honor Chair, Duncan McIver, reported that Bo Walkley, in the role of editor, is completing the final report from the Class of 2022. Dan Palumbo, working with a few Board members, is finishing a document that will contribute to that report.

LAA Website Committee Report: The Website Chair, Olaf Storaasli, reported that the LAA website has continuously running since April 2021 for under \$50 a year. We have more than 1500 unique people and 37 different countries accessing the site. The firewall is preventing anyone from "getting in." You can find the statistics at the bottom of the page.

LAA ad hoc IT Committee Report: The IT Committee Chair, Rick Ross, reported that the new set-up is working well, just a few hiccups with equipment failure that is being addressed. An appropriate laptop has been identified and should be purchased and in place for next month's meeting.

New Business: none proposed

Adjournment of the Board Meeting: Vicki Crisp adjourned the meeting at 2:12 PM.

Next Board Meeting: The next Board meeting will be a hybrid meeting on Tuesday, Nov 8, 2022 at 1:00 PM. Call-in information will be sent to members in advance of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Rick Ross, LAA Secretary