

## **05-24-2024 LAA General Meeting Minutes**

### **General Members Meeting**

#### **Call to order and Meeting Overview**

**Meeting was called to order by Olaf Storaasli at 11: 44 am**

#### **Attendance**

44 people attended in person, including 3 current employees. 10 people attended on-line.

#### **Summary of Meeting**

##### **President's Report**

- **Welcome:** 4 successful LAA Meetings, June/July Events
- Apr 9th **Board Actions:** Minutes @LarcAlumni.org
- Officer briefs: '24 great! 233 members, 97 Meet, \$15K
- Ray\*: '24-26 Budget Plan: Apr 17 Committee Meeting \* **in Norway**
- LAA Videos => @CNU LLC + Newsletter/Dan Palumbo
- Simplify Bylaws => informal guidelines: Charlie Cockrell
- Complete: Promote/Invite New Retirees to LAA - Dave
- New Business: Dec 10 Holiday Party & Director's Reception?
- Ray - Mary - Dick - Dave - Kathy => Dan, Glenn & Rob's talk

##### **Secretary's Report**

- April 9 '24 Board Meeting Minutes approved. posted to BOX & LAA Website
- Attendance List posted to BOX & LAA Website
- **97** total meeting attendees: **43** in person, **54** on line.
- Please remember to sign in if you attend in person. Dave Hinton uses attendance to validate the need for badges.

##### **Treasurer's Report**

##### **March Summary**

- Organization Share \$25.00
- Money Market Savings \$12,718.09
- Smart Checking \$2,440.59 • Total \$15,183.68
- Monthly Increase of: \$134.18
- 3 yearly membership dues
- 1 lifetime membership dues

- Interest
- Thank you to those who have paid their dues!
- Reminder (to everyone else) to pay their dues!
- Filed IRS from 990-N for Tax-Exempt Orgs
- Held initial budget development discussion/planning with sub-team
- Draft budget developed
- **Lil Richwine volunteered to lead a committee on Education and Outreach**

## Communications Officer's Report

### Obituaries Announced

1. **Wayne Burge, 80**
2. **Mervyn Pfeiffer, 94**
3. **William "Bill" Drummond, 84**
4. **Thomas Blackstock, 91**
5. **Williard "Skip" Foss, 93**
6. **Robert "Bob" Schmitz, 87**

Obituaries are posted to the LAA Website

### Membership Report

#### New Members

- None in April

#### Member Statistics

- Total "Active" Membership: **233**
- **118** Life Members (15 are Honorary Members)
- **115** Yearly Members
- **14** Members in 1st (free) year • **47** Members in arrears (owing dues):
- **13** unpaid 2023 dues & **34** unpaid since 2018-2020
- LAA added to LaRC checkout list for both CS & on-site contractors
- Treasurer now inviting lapsed members to rejoin LAA
- Report on Badge Statistics: renewals, renewal requests, expiration

#### Membership Volunteering Opportunity

##### Opened dialog with Virginia Space Grant Consortium

- Promotes STEM education, workforce development, research, economic growth
- Members include NASA Langley & Wallops, Universities (Hampton, ODU, W&M, VT, UVA), VA Air & Space Center, VA Dept. of Aviation,...
- See <https://vsgc.odu.edu> and [https://vsgc.odu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/VSGC-Factsheet\\_011924.pdf](https://vsgc.odu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/VSGC-Factsheet_011924.pdf) • VSGC provides rich opportunity for LAA membership expertise to support STEM education and workforce development.

- Aerospace, Aviation, Earth science, UAS.....
- Working with VSGC to post their overview charts on LAA website
- Virginia Earth System Science Scholars (VESSS) mentoring opportunity in July
- Please reach out to Dave Hinton for more information or have interest in supporting.
  - LAA forms to be used for sign up for specific opportunities
- **There is a new tab on the Website for Volunteer Activities**

## **Vice President and Program Chair's Report**

### **Coming Events**

#### **June 11, 2024: Flight Dynamics Research Facility (FDRF) Tour**

- Tour new FDRF facility (Noon-1:00 pm) (Mike Fremaux) • **Replaces monthly Membership & Board meetings**
- **Limited tour attendance: 1st 35 members to sign-up\* • Sign-up form sent out this week by Richard Hueschen**
  - Active construction site: limited handicap access, sidewalk being completed, several steps to reach elevator)
  - Only Members in good standing (dues paid through 2024)

#### **July 9, 2024: LAA Picnic Volunteers appreciated!** NASA Langley Cafeteria

#### **August 13, 2024: Let's jump into Fall!**

- Angela Claud (Langley Clinic Administrator) - Balance, Stress, & Mental Health
- Life After Langley – Becky Bales (York-Poquoson Master Gardener)

#### **September 10, 2024: Charles Camarda**

- Astronaut, Author, Innovator, Research Engineer & Industry Consultant
- His thoughts and research on the problems NASA is facing with reference to its culture and safety and thoughts for how to correct them.

#### **October 8, 2024: Life After Langley – Traveling Adventures**

- Ray Rhew (Africa) & Tony Pototzky (New Zealand)

#### **November 12, 2024: John R. Olds**

- Chairman, Space Works Enterprises, Inc.
- His professional journey at NASA Langley & the commercial space revolution (“NewSpace”)

#### **December 10, 2024: Holiday Party**

- Let Kathy know your ideas for 2025 LAA Speakers & Events
- Text Kathy with ideas & opinions on Holiday Party. It's the same day as the Center's Holiday Social

***Today's Speakers: Enabling safe landings on the Moon, Mars, & beyond. Langley technology paves the way!*** Navigation Doppler Lidar (NDL) **Daniel Litton** (Project Manager) & **Glenn Hines** (NDL Chief Engineer) + **Stereo Cameras for Lunar Plume Surface Studies (SCALPSS)** **Rob Maddock** (Project Manager) **Greg Stover, acting Director of STED, provided the introduction**

**Adjournment of the General Meeting**  
Meeting was adjourned at 1:05