

08-13-2024 LAA General Meeting Minutes

General Members Meeting

Call to order and Meeting Overview

Meeting was called to order by the President at 11:32 am

Attendance

43 members attended in person and 14 attended on-line. See the attached attendance list

Summary of Meeting

President's Report

- Need to start identifying 2025 Board members
- LAA Holiday party December 11; Director's Reception December 10
- 244 members; \$16K in account

Secretary's Report

- Approved Meeting Minutes and Attendance lists posted to Box

Treasurer's Report

- July Summary
- Organization Share \$25.00
- Money Market Savings \$13,328.45
- Smart Checking \$2,655.14
- Total \$16,008.59
- Increase of (from May): \$824.91
 - 8 yearly membership dues (some multiple years)
 - 6 lifetime membership dues
 - Interest & picnic
 - Thank you to those who have paid their dues!
 - Reminder (to everyone else) to pay their dues!
 - Geoff filed annual SCC report and paid fee
 - Paid LAA website annual fee
 - Picnic funds collected and disbursed to caterer
 - Audit underway – Yvonne Dellapenta

Communications Officer's Report

Obituaries Announced at Aug 13 Members Meeting:

1. Diane Forrest, 80
2. Ralph Eanes, Jr. 66
3. James Johnson, 80
4. Charles Woerner, 87
5. Norman Crabill, 97
6. Herbert Greene, 90
7. James Russell, 86
8. Linda Sue Booth, 70
9. William "Bill" Jones, 90
10. Melvin "Mel" Lucy, 87
11. Gary Ballard, Sr., 95
12. Bruce Conway, 81

Charles Cockrell announced Gene Kelsey passed away on July 20 at age 92
Charlie Dunton announced Darwin Goodwin passed away at 94

Membership Report

- 11 new members since the May 2024 report
- 21 new members YTD

Summary of LAA Volunteer support 2024 to date:

- LIFE focus group
- HUNCH CDR
- Virginia Space Grant Consortium Virginia Earth Systems Science Scholar Panel
- VASTS closing ceremony
- NASA Family day (august 16)

Badge Policy Update

- ~ 40% of LAA members have activity badge
- ~ 15% fewer badges issued today due to the new process
- Purpose for those badges is for people requiring physical access to the Center *for LAA Activity on a frequent basis*
- Frequency of access is a factor and the LAA badge policy requires a minimum of 1 LAA meeting attendance in-person each 6-month badge cycle

Vice President and Program Chair's Report

Membership involvement & attendance:

Virtual meets & Greet June 11
June 15 Flying Proms Symphonic Air Show
July 9 LAA Picnic

- **Virginia Space Grant Consortium (VASC) • Virginia Aerospace Science & Technology Scholars (VASTS) Program** – Invited by VASC to attend the closing ceremonies/ Center Director luncheon honoring the students who spent time at NASA Langley creating a Mars mission. The highlight of the ceremonies was a presentation from each of the teams on their mission design. LAA attended 2 of the closing ceremonies (Olaf S., Kathy F. and Dave H.).
- **Virginia Earth System Science Scholars (VESSS) Panel** – Participated as a panel member reviewing team presentations on their proposed Mars mission. LAA participated in 1 of the panels (Dave H.).
- **Dave Young Retirement Social (July 29, 2024) – Presented Dave with a NASA Retiree hat and LAA sticker. He appreciated our gifts!**

Program Activities: Upcoming Events

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.

September 12, 2024: Rescheduled: Flight Dynamics Research Facility (FDRF) Tour

- Tour of the new FDRF facility rescheduled to Sept 12th (Mike Fremaux)
- Available to members who signed up in the May timeframe.

October 10, 2024: Life After Langley – Travel Adventures • Tony Pototzky – New Zealand

- Ray Rhew – Africa **November 12, 2024: John R. Olds**
- Chairman, Space Works Enterprises, Inc. • His professional journey at NASA Langley and the commercial space revolution (“NewSpace”)

December 11, 2024: Holiday Luncheon - *Please note a date change* Change due to Center Director’s Social scheduled for December 10th.

Let Kathy know your ideas for 2025 LAA Speakers & Events

Program Speakers:

- Becky Bales: Life After Langley**
York-Poquoson Master Gardener
- Angela Claud: Balance, Stress, & Mental Health**
NASA Langley Clinic Administrator

Adjournment of the Meeting

Meeting was adjourned at 1:13 pm

Next Meeting

Next meeting is September 10, 2024