

September 9, 2025 LAA General Meeting Minutes

General Members Meeting

Call to order and Meeting Overview

Meeting was called to order at 11:30

Attendance

53 Members attended in person and 25 Members attended on-line. See attendance list on Box

Summary of Meeting

President's Report - Kathy Ferrare

- ***LAA Health: Growth in Membership (Aug +18 new members), \$19k***
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- ***Positive feedback on the August Dream Chaser presentation***
 - Always looking for speaker suggestions on Langley activities/missions!
- ***Aug 12, 2025, Board meeting***
 - Discussion on the need for support in the Membership and Program Committees. Volunteers needed to help with LAA marketing and organizing activities/requests for support.
- ***Thank You for volunteering***
 - 13 LAA Board members who volunteered a total of 40 hours participating in the Langley Offboarding sessions (June 25– August 15)
 - 5 members who volunteered a total of 25 hours at Youth Day
- ***Ongoing activities:***
 - *Sept 5 email requesting 2026 Board nominees – very important!*
 - *Review of By-law and Policies and Procedures documents*

Secretary's Report - Mary DiJoseph

- August 2025 Board Meeting Minutes approved & posted to Box
- 55 members attended in person and 23 attended on-line

Treasurer's Report - Ray Rhew

- August 2025 Summary
 - Organization Share \$25.00
 - *Money Market Savings \$15,752.22
 - Smart Checking
\$2,848.86
 - Total
\$18,626.08
 - Increase (from July): \$110.00

- Income:
 - *Interest (not available at time of chart submittal)
 - Dues (1 lifetime, 1 yearly)
- Expenses
 - None in August

* Interest will be added to final file and Treasurer's report before uploading to BOX

Communications Officer's Report: Memorials - Richard Hueschen

Dick presented obituaries for:

Aaron Ostroff, 85
 Nancy "Pat" Robins, 84
 Catherine "Ann" Worth, 89
 Joan Whitney, 89
 William "Bill" Brewer, 85

Committee Reports:

Membership Report - Dave Hinton

Eighteen new members (August 2025):

- **Louis Glaab** who retires in 2026 from the Aeronautics Systems Engineering Branch with 28 years service. Lou resides in Hampton with his spouse Trish.
- **John Mullane** who retires in 2026 from the Office of Chief Information Officer (OCIO) with 12 years service. John resides in Williamsburg with his spouse Amanda.
- **Douglas Price** who retired in 2004 from the Office of the Director (prior service as Branch Head, Guidance and Control Branch) with 38 years service. Doug resides in Williamsburg with his spouse Lorraine.
- **Glenn Bobskill** who retired in 2025 from the Systems Analysis & Concepts Directorate with 24 years service. Glenn resides in Toano with his spouse Marianne.
- **William Tomek** who retires in 2025 from the Configuration Aerodynamics Branch with 38 years service. Bill resides in Williamsburg.
- **Staten Spruill** who retired in 2025 from the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO) with 39 years service. Staten resides in Williamsburg with his spouse Crystal.
- **Ingrid Carlberg** who retires in 2025 from the Center Operations Directorate/Environmental Management Office, with 43 years service. Ingrid resides in Yorktown.
- **Alexander Chin** who separates in 2025 from the Structural and Thermal Systems Branch (D206) with 16 years service. Alex resides in Seattle.
- **Paul Davidson** who retires in 2026 from the Simulation Development and Analysis Branch with 37 years service. Paul resides in Hampton with his spouse Diane.

- **Walt Englund** who retires in 2026 from NASA HQ, STMD with 37 years service. Walt resides in Williamsburg with his spouse Laura.
- **William Piland** who retired in 2000 from the Independent Program Assessment Office with 38 years service. Willaims resides in Smithfield.
- **Robert Redman** who retires in 2026 from the Research Services Directorate/SDAB with 38 years service. Robert resides in Poquoson with his spouse Tracey.
- **William (Chris) Edwards** who retires in 2025 from NASA HQ, Earth Science Technology Office with 45 years service. Chris resides in Poquoson.
- **Michael Koscielny** who retires in 2026 from the Subsonic/Transonic branch at NTF, 14x22, TDT with 9.5 years service. Mike resides in Carrollton with his spouse Christine.
- **Sharon Monica Jones** who retires in 2025 from the Aeronautics Research Directorate with 35 years service. Sharon resides in Hampton with her spouse Terry.
- **Lawrence William (Bird) Taylor III** who retires in 2026 from the Vehicle Analysis Branch (SACD) with 32 years service. Bird resides in Hampton.
- **Lawrence Gupton** who retires in 2026 from the Simulation Development and Analysis Branch with 44 years service. Lawrence resides in Hampton with his spouse Karen.
- **John Martin** who retired in 2023 from the Vehicle Analysis Branch with 26 years service. John resides in Newport News with his spouse Christine.
- **Large number of new members**
 - a) **Currently up to 298 members (37 new in past 3 months)**
 - b) 25 members in the DRP program
 - c) 19 at risk of becoming Past Members (2024 dues not paid)
 - d) 31 have not paid 2025 dues
- **REAL ID requirement - May 7**
- **Badge policy reminder:** Badge is for those requiring physical Center access for LAA meetings on a regular basis. See March, June, and September LAA newsletters and the Badge Policy document for policy details. Renewal is contingent on dues paid and required meeting attendance in the last 6 (or 12) months as documented on the sign in sheets. Only LAA meeting attendance is tracked, with understanding that other events are attended.
- **NASA Langley can now issue Visitor Badges to the LAA DRP members with valid duration through your separation date.**
 - a) All DRP members should have an email from me with details.
 - b) Is a temporary accommodation, until January 2026. We can request activity badges after you retire.
 - c) Process is to get the LAST 4 digits of your SSN to our sponsor (Mariya). DO NOT send unencrypted to NASA.

- 1) Can text or email or phone me for verbal relay to our sponsor
- 2) Can phone our sponsor directly

**Please shout out a huge THANK YOU to NASA for working this process
to assist the separating employees and the LAA!**

Nominating Committee: Susan McClain

- 2026 elections will occur at the LAA Annual meeting on Jan 13, 2026.
- **Nominating Committee Request – need for 2 more volunteers**
 - Need ~2 more people who are familiar with members to help with generating a slate of nominees
- Committee responsible for nominating candidates for the following positions:
 - Officers: Vice President and Secretary
 - Members-at-Large: 6 individuals to serve for a 3-year period beginning in January 2026
 - Membership Chair
- **Email sent to LAA members with position responsibilities on Sept 5th.**

***Interested in serving on the Nominating Committee or
in an Officer/Membership Chair/Member-at-Large position,
please reach out to Susan McClain (Nomination Committee Chair)
at info@larc alumni.org.***

Website & Publications: Rick Ross

- Updated the website with recent information & events
- September newsletter has been posted on the website

***Thanks to all who submitted newsletter articles!
Discovered something new during vacation?
Please think about writing an article for the
December 2025 newsletter!
Articles are due in early November.***

Vice President and Program Chair's Report - Charlie Dunton

Membership Involvement

June 25th through August 15th 2025: Langley Offboarding Sessions

- A huge Thank You goes out to the LAA Board members who volunteered during the Langley Offboarding sessions (June 25 – August 15)!
- Your support to the extended Langley family was greatly appreciated!

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August 14th : Langley Youth Day

- A huge Thank You also to the LAA members who volunteered during the STEM portion of the Langley Youth Day activities.
- They guided the youth through hands-on activities and demonstrations of the work they performed during their careers at Langley in order to encourage STEM involvement by the students.

Ongoing Request: VA Air and Space Science Center – 8/22/25 Email

- The VASSC proudly serves as the official Visitor Center for NASA's Langley Research Center connecting the public to the pioneering research & discoveries shaping our world while sparking curiosity & a lifelong passion for exploration.
- Request for volunteers to help in several capacities – Docents, Special events, Hands-On activities etc.
- Kim Ward, Volunteer Coordinator, KWARD@VASC.ORG, (757.727.0900, x706)

Upcoming Events

October 14, 2025: Katrina 20 Anniversary Presentation

- Dave Throckmorton, Deputy Center Director of Stennis Space Center at the time of Katrina, will share his experiences involving Katrina at both Stennis & Michoud.
- Tim Mitchell, Langley's Emergency Manager will speak on the changes that Katrina caused to Langley's emergency preparedness.

November 18, 2025: Life After Langley

- Three LAA members will speak about recent trips they have made: Roman Perez will speak on his recent cruise to Alaska, while Amy Radford will give a presentation on her trip to Ireland, and Jill Marlowe will discuss her trip to Japan.

December 9, 2025: Holiday Luncheon - More info to come

January 13, 2026: LAA Annual Meeting – Elections/By-law update

February 10, 2026: Center Director Presentation (Requested)

Looking for 2026 speakers on NASA Langley activities/missions!

Speakers:

Neyda Abreu, NASA Langley Chief Scientist: Emeriti Langley Associates (formerly DRA)

For former NASA CS who have a high level of expertise deemed relevant to NASA LaRC's portfolio and functions. Allow ELA's to continue contributing their technical *and mission support* expertise, technical knowledge, and mentorship.

A NASA computer is not required for the program. You can access a NASA email account with a NASA phone or a tablet, which is *much* cheaper for the sponsoring organization than a NASA computer.

Program is for LaRC Civil Servants only. Need a civil servant sponsor who will be an employee for a least a year. Other Centers are looking at their own programs. This is still evolving.

Ms. Jennifer Inman, Scientifically Calibrated In-flight Imagery (SCIFLI) Project Manager

Adjournment of the Meeting

Meeting was adjourned at 1:14

Next Meeting: October 14, 2025