Langley Alumni Association (LAA) Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 8, 2025

2025 LAA Officers

President: Kathy Ferrare (757 880-8676)
Vice-President and Programs: Charlie Dunton (757 876-1830)
Secretary: Mary DiJoseph (757 217-5511)
Treasurer: Ray Rhew (757 880-5817)
Communications Officer: Richard Hueschen (757 868-6453)

2025 Committee Chairs and Other Officials

Membership Committee: Dave Hinton
Nominating Committee: Susan McClain
Hall of Honor Committee: Vacant
Website and Newsletter Committee: Rick Ross
IT Committee: Roman Paryz
Langley Representative: Jessica Friz and Virginia Morgan
Past President: Dan Palumbo
Registered Agent: Geoff Tennille

Board Members-at-Large By Class

2026	2027	2028
George Allison	Rich Antcliff	Mark Ballin
Charles Cockrell	Mary DiJoseph	Charlie Dunton
Kathy Ferrare	Susan McClain	Odilyn Luck
George Finelli	Craig Ohlhorst	Roman Paryz
R. Wayne Richie	Tony Pototzky	Liliana Richwine
	Ray Rhew	Eric Rissling
	Geoffrey Tennille	

LAA Board Meeting – April 8, 2025

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

TEAMS Link: Email + LarcAlumni.org

- **Call To Order & President's Report:** Kathy Ferrare
- **Vice President's Report:** Charlie Dunton
- **Secretary's Report:** Mary DiJoseph
- **Treasurer's Report:** Ray Rhew
- **Communication's Report:** Dick Hueschen
- **Committee Reports:**
  - **Membership**: Dave Hinton
  - **Website & Publication:** Rick Ross
  - **IT:** Roman Paryz
- **Old/New Business:** Kathy Ferrare
- **Next Meeting:** May 13, 2025 (after General Mtg)
- **Adjourn**

President's Report

- **New November meeting date: November 18th**

- **Work-in-progress activities:**
  - New Langley personnel working OSTEM/Engagement activities
  - Relook at Vice President and Programs responsibilities

    Volunteers will be needed to be successful!
  - Strategy/Plan for documenting Officers & Committee work
  - Reaching out to Langley Ofc of Human Capital on retirement protocols
  - Colloquium – allowing outside Langley to participate on-line
  - Invitation/Informing LAA on weekly Thursday RD Speakers
  - Request by 2 members for LAA to join 2 other organizations
    - VA Aeronautical Historical Society (VAHS)
    - National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE)

VP Report

- **Program Activities**
  - Continuing to line up Calendar Year 2025 speakers

  - **Flight Dynamics Research Facility (FDRF)**
    - Tour to be rescheduled to May 2025 for those who signed last year

Secretary's Report

- **March 2025 Board Meeting Minutes were approved and posted to BOX**
- **Attendance list posted to Box**
- **Significant Motions & Actions:**
  - **ACTION Approved: Send flowers to Jessica and send a LAA donation to the charity mentioned in Olaf's obituary**
  - **ACTION Approved: Modify the September 10, 2024, Board meeting minutes as noted in the March 2025 minutes**
  - **ACTION Closed: Summarize the You Tube video implementation for our members at the next meeting**

Membership's Report

Six new members:

- **David Cox** who retired in 2025 from the Dynamic Systems and Control Branch with 35 years service. David resides in Smithfield with his spouse Joan.
- **David Young** who retired in 2024 from the Office of the Director with 28 years service. David resides in Yorktown with his spouse Sally.
- **Hubert Senter** who retired in 2025 from the Research Directorate, Aerothermodynamics Laboratory Facility with 25 years service. Hubert resides in Smithfield with his spouse Sheryl.
- **Roger Lepsch** who retired in 2024 from the Vehicle Analysis Branch, SACD with 43 years service. Roger resides in Yorktown with his spouse Lynn.
- **Robert Parker** who retired in 2025 from the Engineering Directorate (detailed to the Game Changing Development Program Office) with 40 years service. Robert resides in Yorktown.
- **Brett Starr** who retires in 2025 from the Vehicle Analysis Branch, SACD with 25 years service. Brett resides in Portsmouth.

DRP members: Working situation with badging current employees

Take two (2) forms of government ID for badge pickup (current Activity Badge not accepted)

REAL ID requirement May 7

Be sure to sign the attendance sheet!

Website & Publications

- **Planned enhancements to the website**
  a) Developed a draft style and branding guide for consistency
  b) Home page will use WordPress “posts”; rest will use “pages”
  c) Posts are managed by WordPress
     1) Easier to create, edit, and maintain
     2) Older posts are automatically archived
     3) Pinned post at top for important information & announcements
  d) Added a search box to search pages, posts, and archives
  e) Added a list of upcoming events
     1) Click on an event for details
     2) Click on link to view the full article
- ***More to come!***

Website & Publications



- LAA News
- Join LAA
- Consent & Release
- Pay Dues
- NASA Badges & Liaison
- Events
- Minutes
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Upcoming Events

APR 8 11:30 am - 2:00 pm
LAA Membership & Board Meetings

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Welcome, LAA members!

Topics of interest for new and current members

- Join the LAA
- Member page
- Video for new retirees
- Honoring recently-passed retirees
- Six-month activity badges—a privilege for active LAA members

Announcements

- The December 2024 newsletter is now available
- See LAA's brochure and 2024 Annual Report
- View upcoming and past events and activities

Speakers for April 2025 Meeting

April 8, 2025, 11:30 AM
Building 2102, NACA Room and online via Teams

*We are pleased to announce our speakers for our April 8, 2025, LAA General Membership meeting will be **Mr. Bradley Weidenhammer**, from the Virginia Department of Transportation and **Chief Gary Bright**, NASA Langley's Chief of Protective Services.*



Bradley Weidenhammer is the Operations Manager on the Hampton Roads Bridge-Tunnel Expansion Project, where he is responsible for overseeing construction work zones, Intelligent Traffic System (ITS) installation, and tunnel systems design and installation. His 21-year career at VDOT includes time at the Williamsburg Residency as well as the construction of the Midtown Tunnel between Portsmouth and Norfolk. Bradley is a graduate of Georgia Tech!

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4/8 @ 11:30 am - 2:00 pm

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Add to calendar

DETAILS

Date:
4/8

Time:
11:30 am - 2:00 pm

Website:
https://larcalumni.org/speakers-for-april/

VENUE

LaRC NACA Room & Teams
10 W. Taylor St.
Hampton, VA United States + Google Map

View Venue Website



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IT Committee Report

- **The NACA Room is being upgraded this summer**
  - Upgrade will take place from the end of June through July
  - OCIO will be refreshing the audio visual equipment in the NACA Room

- **The LAA A/V equipment will no longer be required for NACA Room meetings**
  - Focusrite Scarlett Solo
  - Logitech Brio
  - Tether Tools TetherPro USB 3.0 Active Extension Cable (Black, 16’)

- **The LAA A/V equipment will still be useful in other meeting venues**
  - This equipment was originally purchased to accommodate hybrid meetings (via Zoom) during the COVID epoch
    - Recalcitrant equipment connectivity / meeting quality issues with the NACA Room led to the LAA purchasing NASA recommended equipment

Old Business – Outstanding Actions

- **Bring to the Board a proposal for the budget**, as discussed at the January 2024 Board meeting (Ray Rhew – March 2024 action)
  - Status: Ray provided overviews of the last 3 years and a notional proposed budget (see Treasurer's Report); Had Budget Development Process meeting with volunteers on April 17th.
  - May: Ray to bring an update in August.
  - August Update: Per Ray, in good shape to make some decisions on the discretionary Budget. Next step is to develop the plan to execute.
  - Oct/Nov Update: Per Ray, overall budget is good; want to refine discretionary budget. Keep action. Will discuss with Lil Richwine.
  - *April Update: Ray provided budget overviews; Ray will provide update on outreach discretionary budget at June Board meeting.*

- **Retirement Protocol Question (Rich Antcliff)** – What is the protocol policy that NASA follows for retirements (album, certificates, party)? Should the LAA have one?
  - Nov Update: Contacted NASA Langley for information
  - *April Update: Reaching out to Langley Human Capital*

New Business