

NASA Alumni League - Florida
Board of Directors
Radisson at the Port
Approved Minutes
April 15, 2014

1. The meeting was called to order by the President Al Koller, at 11:00 AM. The Agenda is Attachment 1.

Directors present: Catherine Alexander, Bill Baulig, Connie Dobrin, George English, Lin Giesler, Jim Johnson (T), Al Koller (P), Enoch Moser, Rich Nelson (VP), Norm Perry, Bill Riddle, David Schechter(S), and Manny Virata; and Chuck Taylor (ex-officio)

Members not present: Marilyn Nelson, Yvonne Parker,

2. Minutes: A motion was made/seconded/passed to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2014, meeting as submitted.

3. Financial Reports: (1) Copies of the Financial Report dated March 18, 2014 were submitted: As of April 5, 2014, the Checking Account balance was \$2,185.02 and the Savings Account balance was \$4,871.80. (2) A motion was made/seconded/passed to accept the Report for the record. Copies will be emailed to the members of the Board in lieu of being included with these minutes.

A motion was made/seconded/passed to remind the members that the new chapter-wide membership renewal date of July 1, 2014, and to encourage renewal by paying the \$30.00 dues in June, recognizing the tradition of not meeting in July and August.

4. Old Business:

Update on the NALFL Membership Expansion Poll/Survey: The President reviewed the results of the survey of the members regarding membership expansion. 65% were in favor of permitting contractors as associate members and 35% were opposed. After some discussion, considering the large number of those opposed, a motion was made/seconded/passed to postpone indefinitely any further discussion.

Update on status of HQ Chapter: Chuck Taylor and Al Koller reported: Mr. Beggs continues to improve. Mal Peterson said he wants to revitalize the HQ chapter and has identified retirees to whom he plans to send letters. He also wants to provide informed, credible input to NASA HQ and Congress. He would like to have informed people identified to work with from the centers. Al Koller mentioned that he had created a website for NAL at HQ, but he has not been contacted to update the site. Chuck Taylor will coordinate our effort with HQ and possible local experts like Jim Kennedy, Bob Sieck, and Al Koller. George English suggested a letter to NASA Administrator Charlie Bolton encouraging him to support NAL. With respect to our tax free status, Catherine Alexander said that although it is possible for us to establish our own qualification as a 501(c)3, it would be easier to continue our current status with HQ and JSC.

Status of agreement on Radisson \$95 A/V support: Norm Perry reported that he had met with the hotel management regarding the audio/visual charges. The people he had negotiated with are now gone, and the new people have said they feel they have given us a break already and are not open to renegotiate at this point. Norm will consider new options including a new location for next year.

Audit Committee: Action on this item was deferred to a future meeting.

5. New Business:

Status of the May meeting: As the Program Chair, Rich Nelson reported that the May and June programs are not firm. The logistics aren't working out for the presentation by former KSC Shuttle Launch Director, Mike Leinbach. Several suggestions were mentioned, and planning for the fall is continuing. Rich also mentioned that he is looking for relief as Program Chair.

Website and Facebook management: Al Koller reported that he found it easier to maintain a Facebook page than to maintain a website. However, to participate on Facebook, one must register as a member on Facebook. Al committed to maintaining both versions for the time being to permit more usage to better gauge effectiveness for members and guests.

6. Items from the Floor:

The President presented DVD copies of Russ Romanella's recent presentation to NAL FL. Additional copies will be available to the rest of the membership at the luncheon meeting.

A motion was made/seconded/passed to reimburse the President for a spool of NAL return address labels which can be used to send to those who do not have internet addresses, or for other USPS mailings.

A motion was made/seconded/passed to maintain our two websites nalfl.com and nalfl.org, and to reimburse the President for the annual domain name fees, \$30.00.

The President announced that both the President and the Vice-President will be absent from the next Board meeting and that the Secretary will be responsible for chairing that meeting.

7. Next Board meeting: Tuesday, May 20, 2014, at 1045 AM at Radisson at the Port

8. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned by the President at 11:30 AM.

Submitted by David Schechter, Secretary

Agenda, NALFL Board Meeting, April 15, 2014
Radisson Resort at the Port, Cape Canaveral, 10:45 a.m. ET

- 1. General Announcements; Review of Agenda**
 - 2. Minutes from the 03-18-2014 meeting (Schechter)**
 - 3. Financial Report as of March 31, 2014 (Johnson)**
 - 4. Old Business: Open actions from the 03-18-2014 meeting**
 - **Update on the NALFL Membership Expansion Poll/Survey (Koller)**
 - **Update on status of HQ Chapter (Taylor/Koller)**
 - **Status of agreement on Radisson \$95 A/V support (Perry)**
 - 5. New Business:**
 - **Status of May meeting (R. Nelson)**
 - **Website and Facebook management (Al Koller)**
 - 6. Items from the Floor**
 - 7. Next Board Meeting – May 20, 2014, 10:45 a.m. at the Radisson**
 - 8. Adjourn**
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