

NASA Alumni League - Florida
Board of Directors
Radisson at the Port
Draft Minutes
November 19, 2013

1. The meeting was called to order by the President Al Koller, at 10:45 AM.

Directors present: Catherine Alexander, Bill Baulig, George English, Lin Giesler, Jim Johnson (T), Al Koller (P), Enoch Moser, Marilyn Nelson, Rich Nelson (VP), Yvonne Parker, Norm Perry, Bill Riddle, David Schechter (S), and Manny Virata

Members not present: Connie Dobrin

The President introduced the Board members and the new officers: President Al Koller, Vice-President Rich Nelson, Secretary David Schechter, and Treasurer Jim Johnson. He also acknowledged Rich Nelson as the Programs Chair, Yvonne Parker as the Membership Chair, Norm Perry and Bill Riddle as the Liaisons to the Radisson staff. It was announced that Ray Bolton is in Cape Canaveral Hospital with pneumonia and that Bill Criddle has passed away.

2. The minutes of the October 15, 2013 meeting were approved as submitted.
3. The Treasurer submitted copies of the Financial Report, with checking account balance of \$2331.45 and saving account balance of \$4337.45 as of November 10, 2013. The Report stands for the record and copies will be emailed to the members of the Board in lieu of being included with these minutes. Nor will the Report be posted on the website. Jim indicated that he had not sent any membership money to National until an official depository is identified. The President suggested that we should probably consider creating an internal ad hoc audit committee to review our financial processes and submit a report to the Board on an annual basis.
4. A. Budget for 2013-14. The Treasurer presented a draft budget for the 2013-14 fiscal year for discussion. A copy will be emailed to each director and will be considered for approval at the next Board meeting. Suggestions from directors can be input to the Treasurer or brought to the next Board meeting. A desire was expressed to approve a balanced budget.

B. Radisson catering contract. Norm Perry presented and discussed the new contract he had negotiated and signed for NAL FL with the Radisson for the coming year. There was some discussion whether we wanted to provide the A//V equipment (projector, screen, cable, etc.) and avoid the hotel charge for providing this equipment. Norm was thanked for his efforts on behalf of the Board.

C. Holiday luncheon: A motion was made/seconded/approved to give four \$25.00 appreciation checks to hotel staff members. There will also be a basket for members to give a holiday tip for our servers. A motion was made/seconded/passed to provide two free NAL luncheon certificates (\$32.00 total value) for door prizes. A motion was made/seconded/passed to buy two Radisson meal gift certificates (\$52.00 total value) for door prizes, to match two gift certificates provided by the Radisson for door prizes. Al Koller's gracious offer to arrange for and personally fund a musician to entertain at the luncheon was accepted by the Board. The President will encourage members to invite spouses of deceased NAL members, at their own expense.

D. NAL representatives to CCTS. The President confirmed that Jim Johnson is the NAL representative to CCTS and Rich Nelson is the NAL representative to the Space Congress.

E. Next Board Meeting. A motion was made/seconded/passed to schedule the next Board meeting to precede the NAL luncheon January 21, 2014. There will not be a Board meeting in conjunction with the Holiday Luncheon December 17, 2013.

5. A. National organization at HQ. The President related that he has talked with Mal Peterson. More information will be forthcoming as our new relationship develops. The President said he had offered some technical website help; however, that is still in the future.

B. The President expressed a desire to increase our knowledge of our members, their skills and capabilities, and NASA background. He said he would pursue the possibility including more info in our existing membership database.

6. A. NAL Membership recruitment: Catherine Alexander expressed a desire to help recruit new members. Enoch and Yvonne described some of their efforts to date to obtain access to lists of retirees and welcomed her participation in that activity.

B. KSC Holiday Coffee. The President announced the KSC Coffee and provided copies of the invitation (which no one in the room had received), which is required for admission to the Center along with a valid KSC Retiree Badge (available at the Pass and ID Building outside Gate 3), or some other valid access badge.

The meeting was adjourned by the President at 11:40 AM.

Next scheduled meeting: Tuesday, January 21, 2014, at 1045 AM at Radisson at the Port