

Florida Chapter NASA Alumni League (NAL) Board Meeting
February 19, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Chuck Taylor at 10:45 AM at the Radisson Hotel, Cape Canaveral, FL. Manny Virata, Bill Baulig, Yvonne Parker, Jim Johnson, Enoch Moser, David Schechter, George L. English, Bill Riddle, Richard Nelson, Chuck Taylor, Tom Breakfield, Ed Odisho and Norm Perry were in attendance.

The minutes of the January meeting were reviewed and suggested changes were noted. A couple members said they are receiving the minutes by e-mail. Chuck took action to provide current e-mail addresses to Connie.

Old Business:

The situation with headquarters was discussed extensively. We still do not know the plan for headquarters to proceed. Chuck will contact Jim Beggs again with our inputs. Our board believes headquarters should require considerably less than \$25 per member. The issue of filing Non-Profit papers with IRS was discussed as an action we will have to assume if Headquarters stops that service. Most board members believe the \$30 per year is not excessive however they believe the local chapter should retain more.

Currently headquarters sends out notices to members when their need to pay their dues. If that changes, it will require new effort on our chapter. A suggestion was made that we have all membership start on January 1 each year, thus reducing the notification substantially. New members would pay a prorated amount the first year. Also someone would have to deposit the dues and forward a portion to headquarters.

Norm reminded the board that the March meeting will be a week late due to the Radisson's commitments. The robotics team will be at the April meeting.

New Business:

A motion was made to provide \$100 to Suzanne for mailing expenses, seconded and approved.

Jim Johnson provided a Finance Report. As of January 17, the checking account was \$3611.36 and the savings account was \$4035.67. The January meeting produced a profit of \$154.998 and the 50/50 produced \$75.50. We discussed the need for a budget. The board felt that a budget would help when request for support or other expenses occur, We would have a better understanding of our financial condition.

Rich reported that Mr. Prickett agreed to speak at the May meeting.

The need for new board members was discussed. Chuck requested that each board member whose term is expiring try to recommend replacements. We elect new board members in September. With no summer meetings, the process needs to begin now.

The Community Leaders meeting at KSC was discussed. Yvonne reported we have 21 slots.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM.

Submitted to Chuck Taylor in the absence of Connie Dobrin