



NASA Ames Contractor Council
Meeting Minutes
July 1, 2020
Building N200, Jack Boyd Committee Room

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Call to Order [11:02] by Kari Gonter

Introductions

Guest Speaker(s): Associate Center Director Verron Brade

- In regards to COVID, they continue to monitor the data from local public health officials and there has been no conversations regarding moving the Center to Stage 2, it is anticipated that Ames will continue to be in a mandatory telework situation for a while.
- The Agency as a whole, and Ames in particular, is taking steps to take a look in the mirror and reassess what processes and systems are in place to maintain an engaged work force. They are taking advantage of this time of unrest to ask “what does this look like on our campus?” The Agency wants to make sure they are walking the talk and employees see higher level of commitment as they work to create the best environment to thrive in.
- Mr. Brade will have a conversation with Kelly about how the interpretation of the Holiday clause, in hopes that they can create consistency in how it is applied across the Center.

NASA Ames Center Operations Update:

Christine Munroe: NASA Representative

- As of June, small business is on track at the agency level, for ARC we are not doing so well in small business. A lot of that has to do with small contracts that are working on recompletes and business has grown and they are no longer classified as a small business.
- Small Business Industry Awards: Nominations will come out Aug/September timeframe. In order to apply you need to be in the google form and need to talk to CO to see if you are eligible for the award. Criteria is posted on the website, CO needs to sign off.
- On July 15th there will be an event: How to do business with Ames and AFRC, which Christine will be hosting.

ACC Business Items

ACC President's Report – Kari Gonter

- Kari approved June Minutes at 11:38 am.
- Working on updating the e-mail list

ACC Vice President's Report – Mark Rowland

- No Report.

ACC Treasurer's Report – Sara Jain

- Expenses for the last couple months: \$-24.95 (webhosting)
- Total Net income: \$21,070.94

ACC Secretary's Report – Valerie Escobar

- No report

Committee Reports

Small Business – Saba Hussain

- Last meeting was held on June 18th at 11am.
- Due to shelter in place we can't have an industry day. As an alternative, looking to gauge interest around having small business and primes present capabilities through a combination of small business meeting as well as at monthly meeting with entire group. Looking to showcase 1-2 companies (give 5-10 minutes) during the monthly meeting when there is no guest speaker.

Ames Calendar– Faten Mansour and Kim

- Might not be able to sell Calendars for next year because of COVID-19 and the shutdown.
- Faten needs to talk to the vendor to see how much it would cost to produce a calendar.

- Send suggestions to Faten and Kari if you have ideas on other ways to raise money in lieu of the calendar.

Marketing and Communications - Renee Mitchell

- Renee is planning to update the blog with newly elected ACC officers
- Please send pictures if you have any for awards that can be added to the blog.

Imagination Foundation – David Cornelius and Linda McCahon

- Received a request/question if we were still collecting application for the Speakers Series this year.
- When the grant requests come in, we will vote on the applications as they are received.

Public Policy- Sara Jain

- On June 30th, US Space Force unveiled its organizational structure. Space Force is the first new military service since Air Force was created in 1947 when it broke off from the army.

Safety Outreach– Mike Weiss and Linda McCahon

- Due to the fact that people have been off base for a while (14-15 weeks), focus on safety is more important than ever. When executing tasks on Center, there is a need for it to be done carefully as employees ease back into their normal job duties and complete tasks that are no longer routine.

ACC Golf Tournament –Mark Rowland

- Nothing to Report

Contractor Excellence Awards – Deborah Kolyer and Sandra Rasmussen

- Nothing to Report

New Business

- What do we want to do in lieu of the golf tournament?
- Kari will send out questions in the next day or so regarding what we can do for fundraising.
- MegaBytes is going to be closing, at least until the next year, but the Space Bar will remain open.

Adjourning the Meeting

- Kari Gonter adjourned the meeting at 12:07 pm.

Next Scheduled Meeting

- The next official meeting will be August 5, 2020 at 11 am.