



NASA Ames Contractor Council
Meeting Minutes
October 7, 2020
Meeting held virtually via Microsoft TEAMS

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Call to Order [11:00] by Kari Gonter

Introductions

Guest Speaker(s): Kelly Keniston, Manager Menlo Survey Federal Credit Union

- Menlo Survey Federal Credit Union is located in Building 3 at Moffett Field and they offer memberships **only** to the employees and immediate family members of the U.S. Geological Survey, NASA-Ames Federal Employees Union and selected other companies.
- Visit website www.melosurveyfcu.com for more information or to find out how your company can register with Menlo Survey to offer additional benefits to your employees.

Christine Munroe: NASA Representative

- Unable to attend, but as a reminder nominations for Small Business Contractors is due on her desk tomorrow.

ACC Business Items

ACC President's Report – Kari Gonter

- Kari approved September Minutes at 11:14 am.
- Ron Brade retired on October 2nd and we are waiting to hear who his replacement is.
- Email Distribution is still being finalized and will be sent out to everyone.

ACC Vice President's Report – Mark Rowland

- No Report

ACC Treasurer's Report – Sara Jain

- Expenses \$-387.90 (webhosting)
 - o 348.00 for Wix.com (annual renewal fee)
 - o 14.95 for Wix.com (website hosting services for our blog)
 - o \$24.95 for Website hosting (internet services for our website)
- Total Net income: \$20,633.14

ACC Secretary's Report – Valerie Escobar

- Requested a copy of the email distribution list to update distribution list for ACC minutes, currently there is a lot of bounce back activity when the minutes are sent out.

Committee Reports

Small Business – Saba Hussain

- Capability presentations will be held the last Thursday of October (27th). The committee has sent out a request for people to submit capabilities to be reviewed. Right now, none have been submitted.
- Small Business meeting will be held October 15th at 11am.

Ames Calendar– Faten Mansour

- No report

Marketing and Communications - Renee Mitchell

- No report

Imagination Foundation – David Cornelius and Linda McCahon

- There are two applications for funding through the Imagination Foundation
 - o Grail Family Services: Non-profit in San Jose that specializes in the early development of preschool children. They have submitted a request for a \$2,000 grant to support their math program. Due to COVID-19 they can no longer recycle materials and are looking to buy new materials (Alum Rock school district). In 2018 and 2019 Grail Family Services

was approved for a Grant for their “Yes I Can Read” program. Recommendation to approve. **There were no objections and request was approved.**

- O Ames Early career Network: Voluntary organization of young professionals at Ames and they had a couple ideas on how they could use the funding:
 - Remote Q&A sessions and short talks with NASA scientists and engineers for students in grades K-12 to help teacher keep their students engaged. Want to use funds to purchase NASA swag to get kids excited about science.
 - Early Career Professional Development Committee requested material and other resources they need
 - Seminar Series have gone remote and they are looking for ways to pay for additional storage space to store past seminars.

Recommendation is to have Ames ECN combine items 1&2 and present formal application to the ACC:

Public Policy- Sara Jain

- In September, NASA and Space Force signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) affirming a strong interest in continuing a longstanding partnership for mutually beneficial collaborative activities in furtherance of space exploration, scientific discovery, and security. This new MOU replaces the MOU that was previously signed between the Air Force and NASA.
- NASA is launching a new space toilet, the Universal Waste Management System (UWMS), to the International Space Station on Northrop Grumman's 14th contract resupply mission in September. Another UWMS unit will be installed in Orion for the Artemis II flight test that will send astronauts on a 10-day mission beyond the Moon and back. The toilet was designed to address astronaut feedback about comfort and ease of use. It also features a 65% smaller and 40% lighter build than the current space station toilet.

Safety Outreach- Mike Weiss and Linda McCahon

- Ames is still at Stage 3, about 600-800 people are on base daily.
- Most employees are observed wearing their masks, except when alone in their office and that is the only time they should be without their mask.

ACC Golf Tournament –Mark Rowland

- ACC Golf Survey will be sent out soon.

Contractor Excellence Awards – Deborah Kolyer and Sandra Rasmussen

- Sandra, Faten and Deborah are going to regroup to come up with a plan on how to proceed since the Excellence Awards will need to be held virtually this year.

New Business

- Faten sent email about contact information on the website, please make sure information is current.

- Small Business would like to put spot light videos on the website. In order to make this change we will need to expand website bandwidth. Faten is going to contact our website provider to get pricing information and we will discuss at the next meeting.

Adjourning the Meeting

- Kari Gonter adjourned the meeting at 11:55 pm.

Next Scheduled Meeting

- The next official meeting will be held virtually on November 4, 2020 at 11 am.