



**NASA Ames Contractor Council**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**August 7, 2019**  
**Building N200, Jack Boyd Committee Room**

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**Call to Order [11:05] by Mark Rowland**

**Introductions**

Guest Speaker(s): Jonathan Dembowski - QAAR

- NASA QAAR verifies compliance with applicable agency SMA, Quality Assurance and Software Assurance requirements at the NASA centers, including JPL and component facilities, as well as programs and projects.
- Ames Quality Management System will be having their year and half audit at the end of August which they failed last year. In order to pass this audit, they will need all employees and contractors to understand their roll in this and knowing the policy.
- Ames Quality Management System Policy: ARC's Quality Policy is to deliver quality products and services that consistently meet mission and customer requirements, while continually improving the effectiveness of the Ames Quality Management System.

## **NASA Ames Center Operations Update:**

Donna Cetera: NASA Representative

- No report

## **ACC Business Items**

### **ACC President's Report – Mark Rowland**

- Mark approved March Minutes at 11:22 am.

### **ACC Vice President's Report – Sandra R**

- David King wanted to present to us about the safety culture survey. It will be 40 minutes long and counsel agrees tentatively to do it in October.

### **ACC Treasurer's Report – Sara**

- Sara has estimating our main total is around \$20,854.48 but there has been some PayPal transaction.
- ACC had one expense Website hosting of \$24.95

### **ACC Secretary's Report – Kathleen Kirk**

- no report

## **Committee Reports**

### **Small Business – Saba Hussain**

- No report

### **Ames Calendar– Faten Mansour and Kim**

- For Calendar we have the main pictures to review for the 14 months. We will have meeting to choose the photos next Tuesday 08/13/19 at 11 am building 3. Anyone is welcome to come review the photo.
- You can pre buy your calendar on Paypal now by going to ACC Website.
- The ACC council decided to sell the calendar in the cafeteria. Faten will give us quote on how much it'll cost and give us estimate next meeting and through email.
- To sell it in cafeteria we will need voluntaries and sell it at lunch/happy hour on certain days, but we will need to discuss it.

### **Marketing and Communications - Renee Mitchell**

- No report

## **Imagination Foundation – David Cornelius and Linda Cornelius**

- Working on New PLC at the Ames Expo In Counter to review the processes and approve to use the transportation funds to title one school. We have no use any of the donated funds and want to make sure it's not too high.

## **Public Policy- Sara Jain**

- During a hearing on NASA's Moon/Mars plans today, Senators pressed NASA Administrator Jim Bridenstine on whether or not the Space Launch System (SLS) will undergo a Green Run test and the need for Congress to have a cost estimate for the entire Artemis program, not just the first year. Bridenstine demurred on both questions while warning that any delay in receiving the funds requested for FY2020 would be "devastating" to the program. During the Green Run test, all four RS-25 engines will be integrated into the SLS core stage, mounted on an enormous test stand at NASA's Stennis Space Center, and fired for the full 8 minutes that will be needed to get into space. NASA is considering skipping the test entirely and substituting a much shorter test on the launch pad at Kennedy Space Center closer to launch or performing an abbreviated test at Stennis.
- It is an ambitious schedule and NASA is trying to convince Congress to provide the money to do that. One difficulty is that the Administration has not told Congress how much it will cost. Bridenstine said last month he expects it to be \$20-30 billion on top what NASA was planning for those years, or \$4-6 billion more per year. Congress will get the detailed cost estimate when the FY2021 budget request is submitted in February 2020. Trump has made clear he is more interested in sending humans to Mars than the Moon.

## **Safety Outreach– Mike Weiss and Linda McCahon**

- Mike wants to ramp up the safety awards for 2019 to coincide with Excellence Award.

## **ACC Golf Tournament –Mark Rowland**

- Golf tournament is posted online.
- It will be held at The Golf Club at Moffett Field. This will be open event to everybody, and the amount is \$85.00 per person. Mark will send out email and flyers up. Anyone can volunteer.
- So far, we have 40 people registered but not paid yet. Try to reach out to government to come since we have relationship with them, and we work together so it's well to show support on both ends.
- You can go through are ACC website to pay through the link.

## **Contractor Excellence Awards – Deborah Kolyer and Sandra Rasmussen**

- November is our time frame. Open enrollment should be in beginning of November.
- Industry Award is up to contractor officer to sign up no later than September 13, 2019. If you interest in signing up talk with your CO or prime contractor. If your company is not in maps database or have contract/subcontract with NASA Ames, you cannot sign up for awards.

## New Business

### **Adjourning the Meeting**

- Mark Rowland adjourned the meeting at 11:46 am.

### Next Scheduled Meeting

- The next official meeting will be September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 11 am.