

AIAA LA-LV Section Council Meeting Minutes
March 09, 2021 6:00 PM PST – Virtually Conducted
Meeting Location: Zoom

Attendance: **X** – Absent **A** -Attended

	Council Member, Council Position	Attendance
1.	Jeff Puschell	A
2.	Ken Lui, Events and Program Chair	A
3.	Arianna Sanchez, Secretary	A
4.	Khushbu Patel, STEM K-12 Chair	X
5.	Marty Waldman, Las Vegas Chapter Chair	X
6.	Gary Moir , Technical Chair	X
7.	Jordan Chilcott, Public Policy Chair	A
8.	Marilyn McPoland, Treasurer	A
9.	Aaskash Naresh, Young Professionals Chair	A
10.	Aldo Martinez, Awards and Membership Chair	X

6:00 PM Call In and Introductions.

6:05 PM Call to Order & Jeff Puschell, Chair Updates:

Notified Council about his participation in the AIAA Region 6 Student Conference as Head Judge and also looking for others to participate as judge. Announced the Region 6 Advisory Council (RAC) meeting in a few weeks, will be reaching out for a brief summary of the activities within each chair's area. Announced the Section's annual report to be completed in May, responsibility of the Council to write. The annual report will no longer be a report, instead it'll be a spreadsheet therefore much easier to score and complete. Jeff will also be reaching out regarding this ahead of May. Raised awareness regarding the LA section upcoming Elections Cycle. Notified the Council of a new AIAA membership for high school students, discussed details of what that entails (costs, length of membership and transition to other membership grades, etc.).

6:15 PM Arianna Sanchez, Secretary Updates:

Secretary reviewed the topics of March 2021 meeting agenda; included a review of the passed and tabled motions from February 2021 and other previous meetings, as well as the old and new news as recorded on the meeting agenda. At end of Chair updates, Secretary presented the tabled motion to request financial support for AIAA CSULB Student Paper Conference. The Motion passed 6 Yes / 0 No / 0 Abstain to support the CSULB chapter with \$500 in return for the section recognized on the award certificates. Arianna notified the Council Khushbu and Marty would be absent at this (March) meeting so provided a brief overview of their updates. Marty's brief included Vegas's Nuclear work reengaging and being presented at ASCEND and his involvement in the Virtual CVD this year. Khushbu's brief included her workshop with Imagineers from Disney, who transitioned to Aerospace professions.

6:20 PM Marylin McPoland, Treasurer Updates:

Reported the Expense and Income Report of February to March 2021. Total Revenue approx. \$491 and Total Expenses \$8. Notified that the Section's Storage fee is renewing and the rate would increase unless we paid 2 years ahead of time. Ken and Marylin decided to pay the storage fees upfront for the next 2 years and this saved approx. \$600-700. Notified the amount of student scholarship donations within Jan. 2020-Feb.2021 that came to \$1500. Notified of the student rebate that was shy of \$8800 and asked what typically happens to this, Jeff said that it gets allocated, typically, to our operation budget. Ending bank balances as of 2/28/2021 is \$77,176.29 (this includes the Savings= \$5,002.24, Checking= \$3,924.26 and CD \$68,249.79). Also notified that she has the key to the P.O Box.

6:28 PM Jordan Chilcott, Public Policy Chair Updates:

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Reported on his investigating into the By-Laws, assessing the rules that we stand by and how we carry ourselves as a Council. Mentioned that within the By-Laws the Vice Chair is a mandatory position that should be filled as soon as possible. Proposed an amendment to the By-Laws to enforce that in order to sit in a Chair or Vice Chair position you must maintain a position on the Council in order to demonstrate your commitment to the Section. Jeff feels this is a great idea and Ken feels this is a good idea however they mentioned that it is not easy, in fact it's incredibly difficult to change the By-Laws. Seth Potter recommended that in theory, the state laws require a minimum of a President/Chair, Secretary and CFO/Treasurer so we may be able to vote out the requirement of a Vice Chair in the Section by-laws. Jeff recommends a motion to take a position as the Council that this is good policy and we'll consider taking up a motion to pursue that in substitution to the proposed By-Law amendment. Jeff mentions that the practical solution to this is to include a public statement as part of the solicitation for nominations for Section Officers, where we encourage nominees for Vice Chair or Chair with equivalent experience within AIAA. Discussion continued surrounding the AIAA CVD and his preparation he is doing in support of that. Jordan recalled his motion following the discussion.

7:00 PM Ken Lui, Events and Programs Chair Updates:

Reported that he gave Khushbu names of possible awardees for the upcoming STEM awards (in the STEM Awards, James Award Scholarship, and SSTC Middle school essay contest). He had asked who she was interested in awarding and how much she'd like to award; details of prize size to be approved through Jeff. Reported on several events he recently completed including the Raspberry PI and Arduino Demo event he co-organized with YP Chair (Aakash Naresh) and the "Countdown to Mars" hosted with distinguished lecturers reporting on Nuclear Thermal Propulsion and NASA's 2020 Tipping Points. Other events he reported on were the AIAA LA-LV Sustainable Aviation mini-Conference and the AIAA LA-LV University Student Branches mini-Conference. Upcoming events included "Hyperloop" and AIAA Engage and Discussion Board. Other events, conferences and industry updates were included in his slides.

7:25 PM Aakash Naresh Updates:

Reported that his events planning was in progress, as he is now more alleviated from his full work commitments. He has been working with Ken in other events and intends to continue working closely with him. Reported that as YP Chair one of his focuses is to really have YP networking opportunities, with either a "Lunch and Learn" or other type of learning opportunities; an idea he has had is an entrepreneur-in-aviation focused seminar.

7:30 PM Motion discussion:

- Secretary presented Motion #1: CSULB AIAA requesting monetary assistance (\$500-\$1000) for Region 6 White Paper Conference. The Motion passed 6 Yes / 0 No / 0 Abstain to support the CSULB chapter with \$500 in return for the section recognized on the award certificates.