

The Fairfax County  
**FEDERATION**  
of Citizens Associations *Established 1940*

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**Federation Membership Meeting**

**Tuesday, February 2, 2016**  
**The day and date are changed to accommodate the speaker's schedule.**  
**The meeting will also start earlier:**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**FCPS Administration Center, Room 1600**  
**8115 Gatehouse Road, Falls Church, VA 22042**

Note: The Gatehouse garage is located on the east side of the building, and entry closes at 8 p.m. Anyone arriving after that time will need to call someone at the meeting to be let in at the front door on the west side of the building.

**Topic: Fairfax County Public School Budget**

**Speaker: Karen Garza**  
**Superintendent, FCPS**



**Federation Board Meeting**

January 28, 2016, at 7:30 p.m.  
Dunn Loring Center, Room 108 (Entrance 2)

***President's Message***

Hello Members, Neighbors and Friends:

A new year signals new goals and resolutions; reflections on actions; and desires to reconnect with friends and family. Although the Federation's fiscal year is halfway over, the Federation experiences similar sentiments and is gearing up for the rest of the year. We wish you and your community best wishes for 2016.

This is the perfect time of year to look at what lies ahead for YOUR Federation and to see if there are any adjustments we can make which could make it an even better year! Could the Federation assist your HOA/Civic Association or District Council with added support such as a new program or an idea you've never done before? Have a casual conversation with your board members or other members (see list in this bulletin or on the website) about new possibilities. If you do, be sure to involve your membership and let the Federation know how it can assist your efforts.

On the Federation's agenda is the county's budget cycle and the 60-day session of the General Assembly. Our budget committee is lining up the troops, being led by our Budget Chair Curtis Anderson. The community can provide feedback to this important process by emailing the committee at [Fed-BudgetChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org](mailto:Fed-BudgetChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org).

Your input in our budget process is invaluable and we thank you for your participation. To continue on the budget path, we will be hosting Superintendent of Fairfax County Schools, Dr. Karen Garza for our next meeting – NEW DATE – February 2nd. At the regularly scheduled February meeting on the 18th, our presentation includes both the school system's CFO and the county's CFO to answer your questions on this year's budgets.

The Federation submitted its 2016 Legislative Agenda to the entire Fairfax Delegation last fall and will publically present it again at their public meeting on Saturday, January 9th. More information is available on our website at [www.fairfaxfederation.org](http://www.fairfaxfederation.org). I am happy to report that Senator Favola has released news articles locally and statewide in her efforts to raise the tobacco tax with the revenues to fund education. This is a result of extremely long, yet productive, hours your Education Committee, chaired by Nancy Trainer and Ed Saperstein, have logged on this legislative item – driving and talking at all corners of the commonwealth on behalf of having funds to educate our kids WITHOUT RAISING your real estate taxes to pay for it.

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**Citizen of the Year**

Nominations for the Federation's Fairfax County 2015 Citizen of the Year award will be accepted until January 31, 2016. Whom will you nominate? Is there anyone in your community, organization, or extended network whose volunteer contributions of time and talent have resulted in major accomplishments that increase the quality of life for the citizens of Fairfax County through the promotion and engagement of civil dialogue and actions? If so, please consider nominating them for Citizen of the Year. Even if they are not selected for that honor, they may be honored with a Citation of Merit or a Special Gratitude Award. More information is available on the Federation's COY page at:

<http://www.fairfaxfederation.org/coy1.htm>

**New Postings on the Federation Website**

**Legislation:** Federation's 2016 Legislative package.

**Public safety:** Federation's November 2016 presentation.

**Transportation:** I-66 and other meeting results and schedules.

FCFCA Calendar 2015-2016				
Membership Meeting			Board Mtg	
Date	Program	Location	Date	Location
2015				
Jul	no meeting	—	—	—
Aug	no meeting	—	6-Aug	Dunn Loring Center, Room 108 (Entrance 2)
17-Sep	State Senator Richard Saslaw	Providence Community Center (Classroom #2)	24-Sep	Dunn Loring Center, Room 108 (Entrance 2)
29-Oct	Discuss and vote on the annual Federation Legislative Package issues	Gatehouse Administration Center (Room 5055)	22-Oct	Dunn Loring Center, Room 108 (Entrance 2)
19-Nov	Police-Practices Review Commission	Mason Governmental Center (Main Community Room)	—	—
17-Dec	(Meeting not held)	Mason Governmental Center (Main Community Room)	3-Dec	Restaurant (TBD)
2016				
2-Feb	Superintendent Garza on FCPS Issues (7 PM start time)	Gatehouse Administration Center (Room 1600)	28-Jan	Dunn Loring Center, Room 108 (Entrance 2)
18-Feb	CFO's from school system and from county to answer budget questions	Mason Governmental Center (Main Community Room)	25-Feb	Dunn Loring Center, Room 108 (Entrance 2)
17-Mar	TBD	Mason Governmental Center (Main Community Room)	24-Mar	Dunn Loring Center, Room 108 (Entrance 2)
3-Apr	Citizen of the Year Banquet	Crowne Plaza, Tysons	28-Apr	Dunn Loring Center, Room 108 (Entrance 2)
21-Apr	TBD	Mason Governmental Center (Main Community Room)		
19-May	TBD	Mason Governmental Center (Main Community Room)	26-May	Dunn Loring Center, Room 108 (Entrance 2)
16-Jun	Picnic, Installation of Officers, State of Fairfax	Mason District Park	23-Jun	Dunn Loring Center, Room 108 (Entrance 2)

Providence Community Center is at 3001 Vaden Drive, Fairfax, VA

Mason Government Center is at 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale

Dunn Loring Center is at 2334 Gallows Rd, Dunn Loring VA 22180

Gatehouse Administration Center is at 8115 Gatehouse Rd, Falls Church 22042

All meetings start at 7:30 pm, except at 5:30 pm on Apr 3 (Banquet), 6:30 pm Jun 16 (the picnic), and 7 pm on Feb 2.

The deadline for submissions to *The Bulletin* (our newsletter) is 9 am on the Saturday after the Board meeting.

Changes to the schedule are in red.

### **Do you want to have an impact?**

The Federation is as strong as its voice, and the Federation's many committees make up its collective voice. If you are interested in serving on any of the committees that make up the backbone of the Federation please contact the committee chairs, listed below, using the following email addresses:

Budget: Curtis Anderson .....	<a href="mailto:FedBudgetChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org">FedBudgetChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org</a>
Citizen Association Services: Don Hinman .....	<a href="mailto:FedAssociationServicesChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org">FedAssociationServicesChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org</a>
Education: Ed Saperstein & Nancy Trainer .....	<a href="mailto:FedEducationChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org">FedEducationChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org</a>
Environment: Flint Webb & Monica Billger.....	<a href="mailto:FedEnvironmentChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org">FedEnvironmentChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org</a>
Human Services: Cherie Tripp Lejeune & Morgan Jameson.....	<a href="mailto:FedHumanServicesChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org">FedHumanServicesChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org</a>
Land Use: Fred Costello .....	<a href="mailto:FedLandUseChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org">FedLandUseChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org</a>
Legislation: Matt Bell & Bill Barfield & Katherine Ward.....	<a href="mailto:FedLegislationChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org">FedLegislationChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org</a>
Library: Kathy Kaplan & Dennis Hays.....	<a href="mailto:FedLibraryChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org">FedLibraryChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org</a>
Membership: Shaista Keating.....	<a href="mailto:FedMembershipChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org">FedMembershipChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org</a>
Public Safety: Daniela Cockayne & Patrick Smaldore.....	<a href="mailto:FedPublicSafetyChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org">FedPublicSafetyChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org</a>
Resolutions: Charlie Dane .....	<a href="mailto:FedResolutionsChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org">FedResolutionsChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org</a>
Transportation: Karen Camplin & Jeff Parnes.....	<a href="mailto:FedTransportationChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org">FedTransportationChr2016@fairfaxfederation.org</a>

The committees conduct the bulk of their business by email and formulate positions and suggest actions for consideration by the Board and by the Federation members. They also provide inputs to the Federation's legislation and budget presentations.

**President's Message** (Continued from page 1)

The other committee chairs have likewise been busy getting their items reviewed and acted upon by our Delegation to the General Assembly. THANK YOU ALL CHAIRMEN!

The Membership Committee will be scheduling a meeting this spring to speak to each of the District Councils that we haven't met yet. This is our Outreach Program to you in the hopes of connecting your civic association to the various resources in the community. As always, please let us know how we can be of assistance to your community and what common ground projects we can work on. We look forward to working with you.

I wish you all a wonderful 2016!

Best regards, Tim Thompson

**If You See Something, Say Something**

If you see suspicious activity, you should call 911 if the activity is creating an emergency. If it is not, call 703-802-2746 or the Fairfax County non-emergency line at 703-691-2131. You can also report the situation on line at:

[http://www.vsp.state.va.us/FusionCenter/Report\\_Suspicious\\_Activity.shtm](http://www.vsp.state.va.us/FusionCenter/Report_Suspicious_Activity.shtm)

For a list of activities that should arouse your suspicion, see

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news2/be-aware-of-your-surroundings-report-suspicious-activity/>

**Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations**

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**2015-2016 President:** Tim Thompson

**Newsletter Editor:** Frederick A. Costello

*The Bulletin* is the newsletter of the Federation. It is usually published monthly, except in August. The purpose is to provide information to member communities; federal, state, and local officials; and other interested persons. Articles reflect the view of their author and may be reprinted with the use of the following citation: "*The Bulletin* of the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations". Please contact Fred Costello with newsletter name and email address changes, comments, or suggestions at 703-620-4942 or [FedBulletinEditor2016@fairfaxfederation.org](mailto:FedBulletinEditor2016@fairfaxfederation.org)

**Federation Meeting Cancellation Policy**

If either Fairfax County Government or Schools are closed after 12:00 noon the day of a Federation membership meeting, or if it is announced that Fairfax County Government or Schools will be closed the day after a scheduled Federation membership meeting due to inclement weather or other emergency, the Federation will not hold that event. This does not pertain to regularly scheduled closures. Membership meetings will not be rescheduled, although speakers may be asked to attend an upcoming meeting. We will make every attempt to post the cancellation on [www.fairfaxfederation.org](http://www.fairfaxfederation.org) or, for more information, you can call 703-620-4942.

**Directions to FCPS Gatehouse**

Take I-495 (Capital Beltway) to Route 50 (Arlington Blvd, Exit 50, going west)

Go west 0.1 miles toward Gallows Road/Rt 650/Merrifield

Turn right at traffic signal onto Gallows Road.

Go 0.2 miles, turning right onto Gatehouse Road

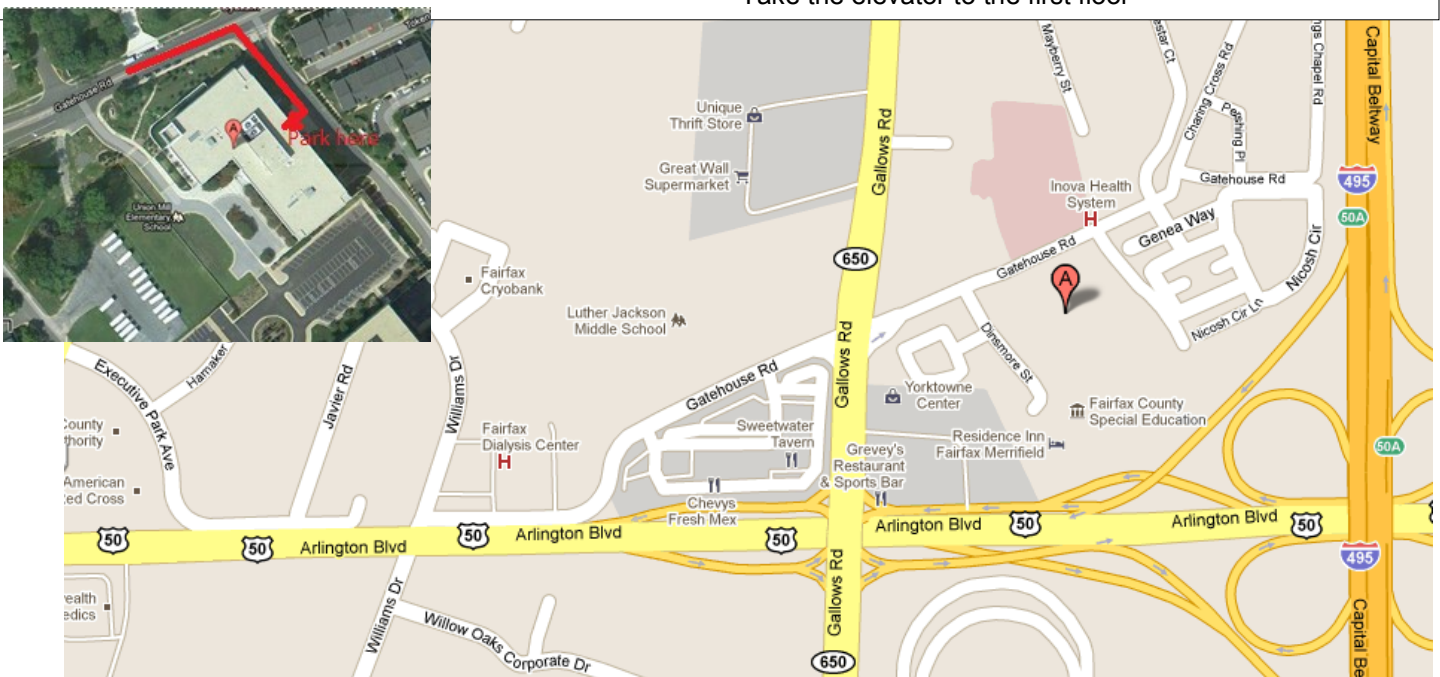
Go 0.1 miles and turn right onto road on east side of building

Make first right into underground garage

Park on any level, but the level at which you enter the garage is P2

(the elevators are in the middle of 1st and 2nd row at each level)

Take the elevator to the first floor



## Membership Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2015

Draft to be submitted for approval on 2/2/2016

The November Membership meeting of the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations was called to order on November 19, 2015, by First Vice President Ed Wyse at 7:30 p.m. at the Mason District Governmental Center, 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA 22003.

### Attendance

There was no formal sign-in; however, the secretary noted this attendance:

**Officers:** Ed Wyse (First Vice President/Springfield/Membership/ Civic Association of West Springfield), Bill Barfield (Second Vice President/Legislation), Curtis Anderson (Recording Secretary/Budget), and Fred Costello (Corresponding Secretary/Land Use/Fox Mill Estates Homes Association).

**District Council Representatives:** Art Wells (Braddock/Truro Homes Association), John Birch (Mason/Bel Air Homeowners Association).

**Committee Chairs:** Daniela Cockayne (Public Safety/Sleepy Hollow Citizens Association), Patrick Smaldore (Public Safety).

**Others:** John Cockayne, Syd Boyne, Peg Boyne, Ellie Ashford (Annandale Blog), two officers from the Fairfax County police headquarters, the Mason District station commander and eight patrolmen (who attended the chief's presentation which coincided with their shift change), and several community members.

### Presentation

Daniela Cockayne introduced our invited guests.

Fairfax County Chief of Police Edwin Roessler spoke on the recommendations of the Ad hoc Police Practices Review Committee and the way forward as he sees it. After introducing several officers and Mason District patrol officers to the audience, he addressed the following issues.

- Policy and practice change team and work flow
- State and national accreditation status (CALEA/VLEPSC)
- PERF recommendations (71 recommendations)
- Ad Hoc Police Practices (142 recommendations)
- Use of Force
- Communications
- Mental Health and CIT
- Independent Oversight and Investigations
- Recruitment, Diversity and Vetting
- Sustainability of Engagement

The Chief responded to several questions.

Shirley Ginwright, Chair of the Fairfax County Communities of Trust Committee discussed the committee and asked for community input.

#### Purpose

Introduce community leaders to the Communities of Trust  
Obtain your public safety concerns, input and participation in moving forward

Established December 2014

First meeting March 2015

#### Charter

Identify ways for improving community policing

Enhance youth and community engagement with our first responders

Improve all aspects of communications between residents and service providers

Ensure, viable and sustainable partnerships continue to make Fairfax County a safe place to live, work, play, and grow old.

The Chair responded to several questions.

At 8:44 pm the meeting went into recess. The meeting reconvened at 8:53 pm.

### Administrative and Organizational Topics

**Citizen of the Year (COY) Banquet:** Jeff Parnes announced an organizational meeting at Marco Polo in Vienna, at 7:15 pm on November 5, 2015. Nominations for COY will open December 1, 2015.

**Bulletin/Newsletter:** Fred Costello announced that input to the Bulletin was due no later than 9 AM on December 5.

**Meeting Minutes:** Curtis Anderson presented the minutes of October 29, 2015 Membership Meeting to be approved. Fred Costello moved, seconded by Bill Barfield to approve. Approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** No report.

### Unfinished Business

**Workshop on Proposed Zoning Ordinance:** The dates of the forum is still being determined.

**Citizen of the Year (COY) Banquet:** Ed Wyse noted that the COY committee had a meeting in November. Nominations for COY will open December 1, 2015.

### New Business

None.

### District Council Reports

(Dranesville and Hunter Mill do not have District Councils.)

**Braddock** – Art Wells – Report attached.

**Lee** – Vacant – No report.

**Mason** – John Birch – No report.

**Mt. Vernon** – Katherine Ward – No report.

**Providence** – Flint Webb – No report.

**Springfield** – Ed Wyse - No report.

**Sully** – Jeff Parnes – No report.

**Membership – Open Floor** – Mason Hill representative reported on an issue concern noise and safety with respect to the Reagan National Airport with airplanes turning inland earlier due to the NextGen systems.

### Board & Committee Reports

**Budget** – Curtis Anderson – Mentioned that he is still open to adding volunteers to the committee and would like to set up a preliminary meeting in December.

**Citizens Association Services** – Don Hinman – No report.

**Education** – Ed Saperstein & Nancy Trainer – No report.

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**Minutes** (Continued from page 4)

**Environment** - Flint Webb and Monica Bilger– No report.

**Human Services** – Cherie Tripp Lejeune & Morgan Jameson – No report.

**Land Use** - Fred Costello & Jack Dobbyn – No report.

**Library** - Kathy Kaplan and Dennis Hayes– Ed Wyse reported the Library Committee Resolution, approved at the prior board meeting, has been sent to the Board of Supervisors and the Board of Trustees of the Library.

**Legislation** - Bill Barfield, Matt Bell & Katherine Ward – Bill Barfield reported that the legislative package, approved at the last membership meeting, has been distributed to members of the General Assembly that represent Fairfax County and to the Board of Supervisors. Bill made a presentation on this topic to the Providence District Council on November 18.

**Membership** – Ed Wyse & Shaista Keating – No report.

**Public Safety** – Daniela Cockayne and Patrick Smaldore– While there is no specific threat, the county is under a heightened threat level. She discussed the smart phone app “If you see something, say something”.

**Resolutions** – Charles Dane – No report.

**Transportation** – Jeff Parnes & Karen Campblin – No report.

**Website** – No report.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

**Next Meetings**

**Board meeting:** December 3, 2015 at a restaurant to be determined.

**Membership Meeting** – Superintendent Dr. Karen Garza - February 2, 2016 at 7:00 pm at the FCPS Gatehouse Administration Center.

*Minutes prepared by Curtis M. Anderson, Recording Secretary*

**50+ Community Ambassador Program**

An orientation to the Fairfax 50+ Community Ambassador Program the will be held on Tuesday, January 26, from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Pennino Building, 12011 Government Center Parkway, Suite 206, Fairfax. This volunteer program trains members of Fairfax County community organizations to help link their fellow members to the county's services for older adults and caregivers. Organizations include faith communities, homeowner associations, retirement organizations, multicultural groups and civic associations. The registration form is at:

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hscodereq/Registration.aspx?groupID=63>

Scroll down to see the full form. Registration closes January 20. If you have any questions, please contact Mena Nakhla at 703-324-5859 or by email at: [Mena.Nakhla@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Mena.Nakhla@fairfaxcounty.gov)

**Police Events in Your Neighborhood**

You can see a map of the police events in your neighborhood, in your zip code, etc., at:

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/policeevents/>

Twelve types of incidents are reported, mostly crimes.

**Federation Workshop on County Urbanization**

The Board of Supervisors (BOS) has underway a program to “urbanize” the county. “Urbanizing” means increasing the population density and the amount of commercial floor area. The most recent action by the Department of Planning and Zoning can be found under the heading “Planned Development Commercial (PDC), ...”, at:

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/zoningordinance/proposed/>

Because citizens have voiced concerns about the urbanization, the Federation is organizing a workshop on the topics of revitalization and urbanization. **The workshop will be held on January 13, 2016, at 7:30 pm at the Providence Community Center, 3001 Vaden Drive, Fairfax, VA 22031.**

Revitalization will be the focus of a BOS committee in which Supervisor Cook is taking a leading role. There is little demand for the older buildings. The committee will look for new and innovative ways to repurpose the existing, obsolete properties for housing, schools, or alternative commercial uses, thereby returning the empty office buildings to productive and tax-paying use. See

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/success/strategic-plan-facilitate-economic-success-2015.pdf>

Title 15.2 of the Code of Virginia deals with the powers of local governments. Chapters 11 and 22 are especially pertinent. Because rezoning against the will of the property owner is akin to condemnation by eminent domain, Title 25.1 is also pertinent.

The County's Planning Commission will conduct an informal public-input meeting on the subject at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, January 20, 2016, in the Board Auditorium in the Fairfax County Government Center at 12000 Government Center Parkway.

**Library Matters**

Kathy Kaplan, the Federation's Library Co-Chair, reports:

Library Director Sam Clay announced that he will be taking extended leave beginning January 14. This will be his last day in the office. He formally retires March 22, 2016.

Due to the failure of the Library Board search committee to find a candidate for Mr. Clay's job, the decision was made to re-create the position of Deputy Library Director. That position had been previously abolished. It is expected to be filled by a current FCPL library employee who will serve as acting library director until the Library Board hires a new library director. The deputy library director position will be advertised in a few days. See:

<http://ffxlibraryadvocates.blogspot.com/2015/12/new-search-process-for-library-director.html>

Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library will close for renovations at the end of January. An office building at 7700 Leesburg Pike will house the temporary library. The Friends of the Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library will be housed in the same office building and patrons are advised to continue book donations there during the 18-month renovation.

**Transform 66 Inside the Beltway Public Hearings**

January 25, 26 and 27 (6:00-8:00 p.m.). See

<http://inside.transform66.org/meetings/default.asp>

for details and snow dates. Jan 27 meeting will have Live stream coverage at 6:30 pm at Transform66.org.

### **Best Practices Document to Guide Future HOAs**

Early in 2016, Virginia's Common Interest Community Board (CICB) published a guidance document entitled Best Practices of the Content of Property Owners Associations Declarations.

The Best Practices document, which contains 17 articles (sections), can be found at the following link ([http://www.dpor.virginia.gov/CIC-Board/POA\\_Best\\_Practices/](http://www.dpor.virginia.gov/CIC-Board/POA_Best_Practices/)). The introduction states that the Best Practices document is not a "model declaration", but rather an overview of what should be included. The declaration (also referred to as the "covenants") is the most basic governing document of an HOA. Comments were accepted until late November, and the CICB considered a revised draft at its December meeting.

"This publication will help developers prepare better governing documents for future HOAs", reported Don Hinman, Chair of the Federation's Citizen Association's Committee. Hinman added, "Many HOAs across Virginia are greatly hindered in their ability to remedy violations because their declarations do not include specific authority to assess monetary charges to encourage compliance with HOA rules. Without such specific authority in an association's declaration, the basic choice when dealing with a homeowner violation is limited to (1) undertaking legal action to encourage compliance, or (2) taking no further action beyond writing a letter requesting compliance."

In this regard, a key provision in Best Practices is Article 5, entitled "Covenant and Rule Enforcement." Among other items, it states that people responsible for preparing declarations should consider including authority for HOAs to impose monetary charges to encourage compliance. The declaration should also include due process: if an HOA determines that a homeowner has violated a rule, then that owner has a right to adequate notice, an opportunity to correct the violation, and a hearing.

Inclusion of this recommendation in the CICB's Best Practices document is consistent with past Federation legislative priorities. In the 2014 General Assembly, the Federation supported a provision of an early version of HB 791 which would have restored authority to assess charges for rules violations to HOAs whose declarations did not include that authority. Despite Federation support, that provision was not included in the final bill.

If developers that prepare HOA legal documents follow Best Practices recommendations, and include authority to assess monetary charges, HOAs established in the future will have one more tool for effective self-governance. The Best Practices document includes numerous other provisions that HOA leaders should review.

The state law that governs the operation of HOAs, the Property Owner Association Act, or POAA, was amended by a 2015 law that required the CICB to prepare the Best Practices document. The law was based on HB 1632, introduced by Delegate David Bulova.

### **The Informed Consumer**

The Informed Consumer is a quarterly publication designed to keep Fairfax County residents updated on consumer issues. The current issue of The Informed Consumer is available on line at:

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/consumer/enewsletter/ic-fall-2015.htm>

### **County Code and Zoning Ordinance Changes**

On November 17, 2015, the Board of Supervisors replaced the previous section of the Fairfax County Code on **Noise** (Chapter 108) with a new version, effective February 17, 2016. Until that date, the existing ordinance, found at

[https://www.municode.com/library/va/fairfax\\_county/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances?nodid=THCOCOFAVI1976\\_CH108.1NO](https://www.municode.com/library/va/fairfax_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodid=THCOCOFAVI1976_CH108.1NO) prevails. The new version is available at: [http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/zoning/noiseordinance/29-15-108\\_1.pdf](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/zoning/noiseordinance/29-15-108_1.pdf)

The Board also repealed Article 5.6 of the Fairfax County Code, which deals with **Excessive Sound Generation** in Residential Areas and Dwellings. The section that has been repealed can be found at

[https://www.municode.com/library/va/fairfax\\_county/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances?nodid=FACOCO\\_CH5OF\\_ART6XSOGEREARDW](https://www.municode.com/library/va/fairfax_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodid=FACOCO_CH5OF_ART6XSOGEREARDW)

The noise ordinance is quite complex, but the changes generally extend the period of allowable 60 dB noise to 10 pm, as compared to the existing 9 pm. From 10 pm to 7 am, noise must be kept below 55 dB. The noise levels are to be measured at the property boundaries. Normal conversation is approximately at 55 dB.

The Department of Code Compliance (DCC) enforces the noise ordinance; however, the DCC works from 9 am to 4 pm — not during the hours of most violations.

The Board of Supervisors also adopted the following Zoning Ordinance Amendments on November 17, 2015, with an effective date of November 18, 2015:

- ZO-15-451: Donation Drop-off Boxes
- ZO-15-452: Alternative Lending Institutions

The adopted Zoning Ordinance amendment text is available at: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/zoningordinance/adopted/>.

The first adds regulations to designate **donation drop-off boxes** as a specific accessory use and establishes standards for placement and maintenance of such containers, including limitations on locations; number of containers per lot; dimensions of containers and restrictions on locations on-site and requirements for operator identification and contact information. The second establishes **alternative lending institutions**, to include **motor vehicle title lenders and payday lenders**, as a distinct land use in select commercial zoning districts with use limitations.

### **Changes to the Tysons Comprehensive Plan**

The Greater Tysons Citizens Coalition (GTCC) submitted extensive comments on county's propose changes to the Comprehensive Plan for Tysons. Much of the work in compiling the comments was done by McLean Citizens Association's Rob Jackson, Sally Horn, Mark Zetts and Betty Yu. The comments can be seen at:

[http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/tysons/download/greater\\_tysons\\_citizens\\_coalition\\_comments.pdf](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/tysons/download/greater_tysons_citizens_coalition_comments.pdf)

Among the GTCC concerns is the almost unlimited amount of development that the county's proposal allows. The county is relying on mass transit to accommodate the new commuters.

### **Current Federation Members**

Federation members as of December 22, 2015, are listed below, grouped by district.

**Newest Member:** The Federation welcomes new member Stonewall Manor Community Association of Providence District.

**Grace Period Has Ended.** In January 2016 those associations shown below as "in Grace Period" will be removed from active status until payment of current year dues. We urge these members to renew now.

**A membership application** is available online at:

<http://www.fairfaxfederation.org/memberappl.htm>

and is attached as the last page of *The Bulletin*.

**New Members Eligible for Special Dues Rate.** New members (defined as not a member in the previous three years) may join the Federation now for either of these special dues rates:

- Half normal dues for membership through June 30, 2016.
- Full dues for membership extended through June 30, 2017!

Ed Wyse, First Vice President (Membership),  
[Fed1stVP2016@FairfaxFederation.org](mailto:Fed1stVP2016@FairfaxFederation.org)

#### **Braddock**

Country Club View Civic Association  
Fairfax Hills Civic Association  
Middleridge Civic Association  
North Springfield Civic Association  
Oak Hill Citizens Association  
Ravensworth-Bristow Civic Association - in Grace Period  
Red Fox Forest Civic Association  
Stone Haven Civic Association  
Truro Homes Association

#### **Dranesville**

Glen Haven Farms Homeowners Association  
Marlborough Nantucket Community Association - in Grace Period  
McLean Hamlet Community Association  
Potomac Hills Citizens Association

#### **Hunter Mill**

Colvin's Glen/Colvin's Forest Citizens' Association - in Grace Period  
Fox Mill Estates Homes Association  
Reston Citizens Association  
Woodside at Holly Oak

#### **Lee**

Groveton, Virginia, Civic Association  
Hayfield Citizens Association  
Huntington Grove II Homeowners Association - in Grace Period  
Vantage Homes Association

#### **Mason**

Adams Walk Homeowners Association  
Annandale Acres Civic Association  
Barcroft Square Homeowners Association  
Bel Air Civic Association  
Hillbrook-Tall Oaks Civic Association  
Lafayette Village Community Association  
Lincolnia Hills/Heywood Glen Civic Association - in Grace Period  
Parklawn Civic Association

Ravenwood Park Citizens Association  
Skyline House Unit Owners Association  
Sleepy Hollow Citizens Association  
Sleepy Hollow Woods Citizens Association  
Sunset Manor Civic Association - in Grace Period  
Westlawn Civic Association - in Grace Period  
Woodburn Village Condominium Owners Association

#### **Mount Vernon**

Belle View Condominium Unit Owners Association  
Collingwood on the Potomac Citizen Association  
Engleside Civic Association - in Grace Period  
Huntington Community Association  
Mason Hill Citizens Association  
Montebello Condominium Unit Owners Association - in Grace Period  
Pavilions at Huntington Metro Community Association  
South County Federation (also Springfield District)\*  
Stratford on the Potomac Section IV Homeowners' Association  
Waynewood Citizens Association  
Wellington Civic Association

#### **Providence**

Five Oaks Estates Citizens Association  
Greenway Downs Citizens Association  
Holmes Run Acres Civic Association  
Mantua Citizens Association  
Stonewall Manor Community Association  
Tysons Manor Homeowners Association  
Walnut Hill Homeowners Association

#### **Springfield**

Crosspointe Swim and Racquet, Inc  
Middle Run Estates Homeowners Association  
South County Federation (also Mount Vernon District)\*  
West Springfield Village, Civic Association of

#### **Sully**

Chantilly Farm Homeowners Association  
Chantilly Highlands Homeowners Association

The South County Federation is an umbrella group with 32 associations and a "non-aligned caucus" to which individuals can belong. The association members are listed at:

<http://southcountyfederation.com/index.php/members>.

### **Expanding Medicaid**

An interesting interview pertaining to Medicaid expansion can be seen at:

<http://www.baconsrebellion.com/2015/12/an-alternative-to-expanding-medicaid-expanding-free-clinics.html>

The person interviewed is a legislator who is also a doctor.

### **Keep Your Association Information Up-to-Date**

Fairfax County lists approximately 2100 Community Associations (<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/internet/assoc.htm>). Be sure your association keeps its contact information up to date, using <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/opa/hoaupdate.htm>.

**Return this form to Membership Vice President at address shown below.**

**Please tell us who is submitting this form: and your email address:**

**Federation Membership Application/Renewal for Fiscal Year 2015-2016** (starting July 1, 2015)  
 Print this form in landscape mode and submit by mailing with a check to address shown below.  
 You may also complete this form on line at [www.fairfaxfederation.org/memberappl.htm](http://www.fairfaxfederation.org/memberappl.htm)

<b>Association Name:</b>		<b>and address:</b>		<b>Date:</b>
<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone/FAX (XXX.XXX.XXXX)</b>	<b>E-mail see note #2</b>
<b>President</b>				
<b>Treasurer</b>				
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Delegate</b>				
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Delegate</b>				
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Delegate</b>				
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Delegate</b>				

**Please indicate person and address above to send future membership renewals:**

**Association Size/Federation Dues:** \_\_\_\_\_ **District?** \_\_\_\_\_ **Association Type?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organization's web site:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Month new officers installed:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. Number of votes is based on association size. Dues are based on association size and number of mailed bulletins (see chart below):
2. Bulletin notices are distributed by e-mail at no cost. Mailed Bulletins are \$10 per subscription. Unless otherwise noted, email addresses provided above will be added to the Federation's email list for distribution of Federation notices
3. Membership dues are from July 1 to June 30 of the following year. Separate invoices may not be mailed. To determine whether your association's membership is current check with the Federation Treasurer at [fedtreas2015@fairfaxfederation.org](mailto:fedtreas2015@fairfaxfederation.org)

4. Mail application form and check, payable to "Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations" or simply "FCFCA", to:  <div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <b>THE FEDERATION</b>                      Attention: Membership Vice President                      P.O. Box 3913                      Merrifield, VA 22116-3913                 </div>	Dues, Delegates, & Bulletins		
	# of Residences	Dues	Voting Delegates
	Under 100	\$20	1
	100-1000	\$40	2
	Over 1000	\$60	3
			<i>Bulletins (emailed) One per delegate</i>
			+ \$10 per each mailed
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**Future membership renewals:** 1. Submitter, 2. Association Address, 3. President, 4. Treasurer, 5. 1<sup>st</sup> Delegate, 6. 2<sup>nd</sup> Delegate, 7. 3<sup>rd</sup> Delegate, 8. 4<sup>th</sup> Delegate  
**District:** B. Braddock, D. Dranesville, H. Hunter Mill, L. Lee, M. Mason, MtV. Mount Vernon, P. Providence, Sp. Springfield, Su. Sully  
**Association type:** Civic, Coop, Condo, Homeowner  
**Association Size/Federation Dues:** For example: 90/\$20