Summary of Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations
Board of Directors Meeting
Packard Center, September 27, 2001, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Present: Art Wells, Wade Smith, Carol Hawn, Charles Dane, Mary Anne Lecos, Jean Packard, Clay Peters, Ray Steele, Sally Ormsby, Bill Hanks, George Smith, Johna Gagnon, Mike Thompson

I  Audit Committee Report. Tom Stanners delivered a report analyzing the causes of FCFCA operating deficits and making recommendations for changes in financial management. A motion to adopt the recommendation regarding modification of the bylaws to require an annual report from the Treasurer was approved. (A second change in the proposed bylaws regarding eligibility for directors being similar to the eligibility for officers was approved without discussion.)

II  Legislative Program for 2002. Sally Ormsby expressed disappointment at the lack of input from directors and recommended that approval of the program for 2002 be moved to the November membership meeting to allow additional time for development of recommendations from the directors as well as for determining the legislative positions of the County and the Northern Virginia Regional Commission.

In the time available, the directors reviewed suggestions from Mary Anne Lecos on Education and Taxation and Finance. The items related to Education were approved for inclusion in the 2002 program along with the current item on Value Engineering. Items 5 and 7 related to Taxation and Finance were disapproved, while items 6 and 8 were deferred for consideration after the Board of Supervisors adopts their positions.

Re Human Services, Mary Anne Lecos was asked to write a rationale for the position on Block Grants, and Ray Steele the rationale for the position on Medicaid and CSB services.

For Transportation, under Plan Funding, the second item will be deleted and the first item modified to add “from a variety of sources” at the end of line 1.

Other aspects of the Legislative Program will be addressed at meetings on October 11 and 25.

III  Education Committee’s Proposed Resolution on the 2001 School Bond Referendum. Charlie Dane presented the resolution which was approved after amendment to delete the 7th Whereas clause and to add the amount of the referendum to the position statement. Copies of the resolution will be available from Charlie and at the Membership meeting on October 18.

IV  Federation Budget Report. Treasurer Charlie Dane presented his report, which indicates insufficient funds to publish a newsletter in October or to reimburse members for any expenses except those related to increasing membership.

V  Postcard Notice for Membership Meeting. Board members agreed to announce the October meeting with a postcard. Art Wells asked Jean Packard to determine how large a card can be sent for the lowest rate. The card will provide the following information:

- Presentation on School Bond Referendum
- Action on the School Bond Referendum Resolution
  (available from C Dane or at J Parnes’ association web site)
- Report of the Audit Committee
- Action on the Proposed Changes to the Bylaws (in Sept Bulletin)

VI  Program for the Membership Meeting on November 15

- Presentation by Supervisor Gerald Connolly
- Action on the Legislative Program for 2002

Art Wells asked Ray Steele to have the Land Use Committee recommend a new date for their program on Revitalization, which was scheduled for the November meeting.

VII  Program for the Membership Meeting in January

Charlie Dane, Education Committee Chair, was asked to see if the Superintendent could make a presentation on the school budget at the January meeting.