

**Minutes**  
**FCFCA Board Meeting**  
**October 25, 2001**

1. President Art Wells called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. Present: Art Wells, Wade Smith, Charlie Dane, Ray Steele, George Smith, Peter Brinitzer, Bill Hanks; Sally Ormsby, Jean Packard and Mike Thompson were present for part of meeting).

2. Legislative Program

a. Sales Tax Referendum – A motion by Bill Hanks to recommend to the membership for approval the proposal, amended to remove the split of proceeds for transportation and education, passed. The draft position and rationale would read:

“Support legislation that would allow citizens of Fairfax County to decide, through referendum, whether to increase the sales tax by one cent, with the proceeds to be used for targeted local transportation projects vital to relieve traffic congestion and for critical capital improvements for the public school system.

*“Rationale: The estimated shortfall in the 2020 Northern Virginia Transportation Plan is \$15 billion for the coming twenty-year period, resulting in a need for an additional \$750 million per year, which cannot be expected to be funded by VDOT. The public schools are experiencing dramatic student growth of 3,000-4,000 students per year and its older facilities are in need of renovation, rewiring and updating. Both transportation and education infrastructure are in need of supplemental funding.”*

b. Tobacco Settlement Funds – Charlie Dane presented a proposal that had been referred to the Education Committee recommending use of the remaining 40 percent of the Tobacco Settlement Funds be used for school construction and renovation. No action was taken.

Draft 2001-2002 Federation budget approved for recommendation to membership. Can be seen on website ([www.fairfaxfederation.org](http://www.fairfaxfederation.org)). Motion (Brinitzer/Bailey) approved that an ad hoc committee be appointed to look into fundraising ideas and report back to the Board in 90 days.

President designated Bill Bailey, chair, Wade Smith and Art Wells to begin negotiations for Awards Banquet, including location, keynote speaker and revised criteria for nominations.

November 15 membership meeting will feature Supvr. Gerry Connolly as speaker. Business meeting will address legislative package and 2001-2002 budget.

It was agreed that the December membership meeting will be held on the 13<sup>th</sup> rather than the 20<sup>th</sup> because of the holiday season. County Executive Tony Griffin, Police Chief Manger and Fire Chief Stinnette have been invited to speak.

Transportation Chair George Smith reported on Mt. Vernon Council resolution on rail on the Beltway, which went directly to the Board of Supervisors. No action was taken.

Wade Smith reported that membership 2<sup>nd</sup> notice invoices were sent to 85 delinquent associations. To date 10 or 11 have responded.

Bill Hanks appointed chair of committee to develop a Federation Policy and Procedures Manual by the end of the year for Board review.

Treasurer Dane moved adoption of a fiscal policy, which was approved. The policy states "The Treasurer or President are authorized to pay (1) set-up, printing, processing and postage costs associated with production and distribution of Federation Bulletin; (2) office space rent and copying expenses to Arts Council; (3) other expenditures up to \$35 by Board members if approved in advance by President; and (4) any other expenses with prior approval of the Board, or specifically included in the approved budget."

President announced that Lee District will hold its annual dinner on Dec. 11, awarding the Les Dorson Awards to outstanding county employees. Art will serve on selection committee. Board members were asked to submit nominations individually if they so desire.

Next Board meeting will be held on Nov. 29.