

**Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations
Minutes of Membership Meeting on October 17, 2002**

Call to Order. Art Wells called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. in the Packard Center. Members attending are listed on the attached sign-in sheet.

Minutes for the Membership Meeting on September 19 After a motion and second, the minutes were postponed until further comment at the next Board Meeting October 24, 2002.

Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Charles Dane distributed and reviewed his report. The balance is \$2,298.04. Motion was made to accept the treasurer's report.

Resolutions

C. Dane spoke to the proposed Resolution on the Higher Education Bond Referendum. The motion to accept was unanimous

S. Ormsby spoke to the proposed Resolution on the Fairfax County Public Safety Referendum. The motion to accept was unanimous.

J. Parnes spoke to the proposed Resolution on a Zoning Ordinance Amendment "Private Athletic Training/Administrative Facility in Conjunction With a Public Use." The motion to accept was unanimous.

Proposed 2003 Legislative Program

S. Ormsby presented the 2003 Legislative Program. The motion to accept was unanimous. M. Pierce pointed out that The Federation is one of very few organizations that have a legislative program and it takes a tremendous amount of work. S. Ormsby was commended for her work.

2003 Priorities For the Legislative Program

A motion was made that the "Dillon Rule" be listed as the top priority in the 2003 Legislative Program and the other five priorities be left in alphabetical order. This motion was defeated. A motion was then made to list the priorities in alphabetical order. The motion passed.

November 21, 2002 Membership Meeting

The focus of this meeting will be on the outlook for FY2004 County and State budgets. Delegate Vincent Callahan and Supervisor Sharon Bulova are the invited speakers.

December 19, 2002 Membership Meeting

The December meeting will revisit emergency preparedness one year later. County Executive, Tony Griffin has agreed to speak. The Chief of Police and the Chief of Fire and Rescue will participate. The Chief of Police will bring with him the recently hired Fairfax County Emergency Coordinator. A speaker from the Bioterrorism Unit may also attend.

January 16, 2003 Membership Meeting

School Superintendent, Daniel Domenech will speak on the FY2004 County school budget.

2003 Awards Banquet

Two dates are reserved at the Fairview Park Marriott, Sunday evening April 6 and Friday, April 11, 2003 for the Citizens Award Banquet. Both dates are being held for the keynote speaker confirmation.

Fairfax Federation Co-Sponsor of Transportation Referendum

On Thursday, September 26, 2002, The Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, the Northern Virginia Roundtable, and The Federation co-sponsored a luncheon debate on the transportation referendum held at the Sheraton Premiere in Tysons Corner. The Federation promoted the debate on its web site, in its September Bulletin and placed the Federation banner prominently at the entrance to the debate. It was well attended (400+). The Federation was recognized as a co-sponsor. It was a well-organized excellent debate; one that The Federation should join in the future if such an opportunity was presented. A suggestion was made that after The Federation participates in such events, a PR bulletin be sent out to local papers.

Sharon Bulova's Meeting on Homeland Security

The focus of this meeting was on Neighborhood Watch. They had a handout that The Federation might use at the December meeting. The web site would also be a prime location for accessing this information.

President's Itinerary for October

- Scheduled to speak before the MVCCA about The Federation on October 23, 2002
- Scheduled to speak at the Springfield District Council on the Bond Referendum
- Will attend the Alexandria Federation monthly meeting later in the month

Membership Association Task Force

Chair, C. Hawn presented the report on the Membership Task Force. The Office of Public Affairs has hired a consultant to redo the survey from two years ago. They will send the new survey to all of their contacts. They have been in touch with the Virginia Real Estate Board and the State Corporation Commission and now have a list of over 2,000 Associations in Fairfax County. The new survey should be ready to mail by the end of October or early November. Those Associations that complete the survey will be given a coupon to get a map of their community. The ultimate goal is to have one current list for the County.

Update on the Web site

M. Pierce updates the web site on Saturday. She would like the District Council meeting dates and web sites so they can be linked and the agendas for upcoming meetings. A suggestion was made that email addresses for the webmaster be put on the web so that persons could send comments for the Committees attention.

Committee Reports

Education – C. Dane sends the meeting dates and issues to the web.

Legislative – S. Ormsby thanked everyone for the help on the Legislative Package

Public Safety – Need a Chair

Environmental – Need a Chair

Budget – Need a Chair

Land Use – Laurel Hill Adaptive Reuse Plan Advisory Committee - Federation has emailed Chairman Hanley requesting representation on the Committee.

Trails Committee – The Trails Committee is putting together a priority list of trails to be constructed in the County. Maps of the approved trails were made available. B. Cate asked the membership to look at the map and determine which trails are feasible, cost effective, and can readily be built in the County.

Superintendents Community Advisory Board – Mary Tycz reported that the first meeting was held last month. The meeting was to set priorities and she hoped for continued support from The Federation for the schools.

Mason District Representative – Jim Kitchin, who replaces Bill Bailey, reported on the September meeting, which covered the sales tax referendum, and the October meeting, which touched on current events. The lighting of shopping areas in this district has them recommending a committee to look at the local ordinances to reach commonality or standardization.

New Business

There was no new business.

Adjournment. The membership meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Dolores Moseke, Recording Secretary.

Attachments:

Resolution on the Higher Education Bond Referendum
Resolution on the Fairfax County Public Safety Referendum
Zoning Ordinance Amendment “Private Athletic Training/Administrative Facility in Conjunction With a Public Use.”
2003 Legislative Program including the priorities listed in alphabetical order.