

Membership Meeting Minutes

March 22, 2012

Approved April 19, 2012

The March 2012 meeting of the Membership of the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations was called to order by President Tania Hossain at 7:30 p.m. at the Packard Center in Annandale. The attendance list is attached to the file copy of the minutes.

Program

Fairfax County Executive Tony Griffin discussed the FY 2013 Advertised Budget Plan—The Federation was pleased and honored that Fairfax County Executive Tony Griffin spent time with us to present the county's advertised budget and to answer our questions. There were quite a few questions and discussions that drew upon Tony's extensive knowledge. The presentation and the Q&A lasted 1½ hours. Tania presented Tony with a Federation mug, thanked him for spending time with us, thanked him for all he has done for Fairfax County, and wished him well in retirement.

A reporter and photographer from the Washington Post covered Tony Griffin's presentation.

Federation Budget Resolution—Budget Committee Co-chair Charlie Hall led the membership in a review of the draft FCFA Resolutions Package which the board on March 17 had cleared for submission to the membership. Discussion and voting was involved and lengthy and consumed nearly three hours. Charlie thanked a number of people for their contributions to the budget package including committee chairs and Linda Boone, Fred Costello, Bill Hanks, and Ed Wyse. The budget committee will perform final editing and publish the resolution.

Administrative Topics

The Bulletin (Newsletter)—Fred Costello, Editor—Newsletter articles are due to the editor by March 30, 2012.

Minutes—Ed Wyse, Recording Secretary—The membership approved the minutes of the February 2012 meeting.

Treasurer's Report—Scott Schlegel, Treasurer—Scott presented the report which includes \$1900 in banquet receipts received online via PayPal. Pending deposit are the banquet checks received via the U.S.P.S., which the banquet chair still holds. The membership voted to receive and file the treasurer's report.

Membership—Don Hinman, 1st Vice President—Tania welcomed the Federation's newest member, Jefferson Manor Civic Association, and its president, Chris Soule, who is also the new Lee District Council representative to the Federation.

2011 Citizen of the Year (COY) Award and Banquet—Jeff Parnes, Chair—Tania announced a high attendance rate of more than 150, necessitating the banquet facility to open the wall partition and utilize two rooms. She urged board members to volunteer to help with setup and registration at the banquet. Those who are willing should coordinate with Jeff at fedpastpres2012@fairfaxfederation.org. Also Tania asked board members to mingle with attendees during the pre-dinner time and to make them feel welcome.

Old Business and New and Miscellaneous Business

Water Rates Resolution—Tania

Tania introduced a resolution supporting the recently passed county water ordinance that cleared the board last week. After discussion and editing, the resolution passed by a vote of 17 for with three abstentions.

Board & Committee Reports

Budget—Carey Campbell and Charlie Hall—see the program topic above.

Because of the time required to consider the budget resolution, the other committee chairs deferred reports. These committees and their chairs are: Citizen Association Services, Don Hinman; Education, Leonard Bumbaca, Ed Saperstein, and Tim Thompson; Environment, Roger Diedrich & Flint Webb; Human Services, Cherie Tripp Lejeune; Land Use, Fred Costello; Legislation, Frank Anderson and Jason Ha, Public Safety, As'ad Hess-Linckost; Resolutions, Bill Hanks, Transportation, Carey Campbell and Jeff Parnes; and Website, Jeff Parnes.

District Council Reports

Seven supervisor districts have councils of citizens associations; Dranesville & Hunter Mill districts do not.

Mason—John Birch—Mason District Council efforts are focused on cleanups and anti-litter programs.

Providence—Flint Webb—Charlie Hall reported that the council has escaped deactivation. At the last meeting of the council a slate of officers was elected including him as the chair. The council also considered the county's advertised budget at that meeting.

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Adjournment—The meeting adjourned 37 minutes after midnight.

Next Meetings

The next membership meeting is Thursday, April 19, 2012, 7:30 p.m., at the Packard Center.

The next board meeting is on Thursday, April 26, 2012, 7:30 p.m., at the Packard Center.

Minutes written by Ed Wyse, Recording Secretary