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Board Meeting Minutes

January 30, 2014

Call to Order/Welcome – Rob Jackson

The January meeting of the Board of the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations was called to order by President Rob Jackson at 7:32 p.m. at Hidden Oaks Nature Center, 7701 Royce Street, Annandale, VA.

Present: Rob Jackson, Ed Wyse, Bill Barfield, Linda Boone, Ed Saperstein, Flint Webb, Fred Costello, Chris Soule, Linda Boone, Tania Hossain, Cherie Tripp Lejeune, Art Wells, Tim Thompson, Karen Campblin, Daniela Cockayne, Matt Bell, Jeff Parnes

Administrative Topics

Appointments: Vice President Bill Barfield discussed how appointments were made.

The Bulletin (Newsletter): Fred Costello, is not present. End of month is deadline for putting articles in the Bulletin.

Board Meeting Minutes: Linda Boone, Recording Secretary—The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the December board meeting as moved by Bill Barfield and seconded by Chris Soule. The Minutes are filed for record.

Treasurer's Report: Scott Schlegel, Treasurer— was not present, but had submitted the Treasurer's Report via email. Following a motion by Chris Soule and a second by Flint, the report was received and filed.

Citizen of the Year Banquet: Tania Hossain updated that the banquet will be held at the Tysons Crown Plaza on April 20, 2014. Few nominations are arriving. She asked that the nomination period be extended until February 14. Citation of Merit awards are for nominees who have had an impact on county citizens.

Board and Committee Reports

Citizen Association Services: Don Hinman—not present, no report

Education: Ed Saperstein, & Tim Thompson—Ed thanked the Federation for participating in the briefing with the Schools on budget. Tim Thompson comments on the education committee's testimony to the School Board. He further discussed legislation and the reorganizations of committees with the new governor. There is a new Education Chairman for the House and Tim met with him about the school opening date.

Environment: Flint Webb— Discussed legislation and wanted to know which ones the Federation could endorse. He will review them closely. Attended the Fairfax County Public Hearing on the environment and testified about the Federation's legislative positions.

Human Services: Cherie Lejeune— Great progress on the 50+ Committee planning from October. Initiative is Neighbor to Neighbor—Federation should take lead in districts to develop better HOA lists.

Next Door is the social networking system. These programs work into well with County Neighborhood Services.

Land Use: Fred Costello—Matt Bell indicated that there is not much new to report. February 6 will have a meeting with Code Enforcement staff.

Library Ad-hoc Committee: Kathy Kaplan —not present, no report.

Legislation: Mr. Anderson and Mr. Barfield—Mr. Barfield will talk with David Bulova and Chap Petersen this weekend to discuss the Federation's legislation package. Cross over date is February 11.

Membership: Per Mr. Wyse, the First Vice President, one member renewed for a total of 47 members. Tania reported that she is experimenting with social media, Meetup.com. A membership is \$6 per month, \$144 per year for a 2-year membership. Moved approval of the membership by Tim Thompson, seconded by Matt Bell. This is an automated program with the officers who will receive the alerts/ messages. Could list meetings as community events. This expenditure was approved unanimously. We could use Evite as another way to attract members.

MailChimp is an application that could be used to announce meetings, etc. for the Federation. Email and distribution system with a dashboard reports system.

Public Safety: Daniela Cockayne— the Federation's legislative initiative did not make it into any legislation. Other items were: texting while driving and older drivers must take test at 75 and every 5 years thereafter—neither passed.

Resolutions: Bill Hanks— Bylaws and Policies and Procedures will be published on the Federation's website by the next meeting. Table of Contents and Index will be included. Art Wells commented on the Policies and Procedures being worth the effort. It is a living document.

Transportation: Jeff Parnes/Karen Campblin—Karen is following several bills and she will notify the Federation about the status of any bills related to the Federation's legislative package. She will register for the NVTA distribution list. HB426 was discussed as an expansion to I-66 from Vienna to Gainesville. Jeff is at a meeting about this tonight and will be able to report at the next meeting. Board of Supervisors passed \$1.6B transportation for projects that the committee should review.

Website: Jeff Parnes— not present, no report.

Budget: Linda Boone—President Jackson advised that leads be held to the new principle that resolutions must be submitted timely —by March 13 to be considered in the Budget Resolution. If we want to have increases in funding, committee should identify the funding or ask for tax rate increase.

District Council Reports

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

Braddock: Art Wells—Council sponsored information briefing on RSUs on January 8 with large turnout. Aging in place committee meeting will be held on February 12. The committee chair will coordinate with Cheri.

Lee: Chris Soule—January meeting cancelled. Want to have a meeting about RSUs. Board is having changes in leadership now.

Mason: Roger Hoskin—no report

Mount Vernon: Karen Pohorylo—not present, no report

Providence District Council: Flint Webb— January meeting canceled due to snow. February meeting will be with Michelle Thompson and the election of officers will be held.

Springfield: Ed Wyse—no report

Sully: Jeff Parnes—no report

Old Business

None

New Business

Housing issues are rising. There may be need for a Trust Fund to be established. AHOME can provide a speaker, Jim Edmondson, who is available to speak about potential impact of housing issues.

Adjournment—The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Next Meetings

Membership Meeting—February 20, 2014, 7:30 at Braddock Hall, 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA

Board Meeting—February 27, 2014, at 7:30 pm at Hidden Oaks Nature Center, 7701 Royce Street, Annandale, VA.

Minutes prepared by Linda Boone, Recording Secretary