

Board Meeting Minutes

July 28, 2016

Approved August 25, 2016

The July meeting of the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations board was called to order at 7:35 PM at the Dunn Loring Center by President Tim Thompson.

Present:

Officers: Tim Thompson (President), Bill Barfield (2nd VP and Chair, Legislative Committee), Alejandro Matiuzzo (Treasurer)

District Council Representatives: Peter Sitnik (Mt. Vernon District Council), John Birch (Mason District Council; Member, Public Safety Committee), Jeff Parnes (Sully District Council; Chair, Transportation Committee; Webmaster), Flint Webb (Providence District Council; Chair, Environmental Committee)

Committee Chairs: Dennis Hays (Co-Chair, Library Committee), Don Hinman (Chair, Citizens Associations Services Committee), Daniela Cockayne (Co-Chair, Public Safety Committee), Patrick Smaldore (Co-Chair, Public Safety Committee), John Cockayne (Member, Public Safety Committee; FCFA representative to Fairfax County Citizens Corps Council)

Old Business

Largest part of meeting was devoted to the 2017 Legislative Package.

Tim Thompson

- Federation has received numerous positive comments by elected VA officials on prior year's Legislative Package. Many are eager to receive the new submission, in preparation for the 2017 General Assembly.
- This year, the General Assembly will have a short session; each committee needs to begin working sooner on Issues to be presented.
- Prior year's submissions can be resubmitted; however, in some instances, elected officials have/are working on parts of or related topics. Need to ensure status of our submissions. (i.e.; Education Committee proposed earlier beginning of school year; Public Safety proposed VA FOIA modifications, meals tax in adjacent jurisdictions).
- Each committee is expected to submit at least 2, 3 or 4 draft Issue papers.

Board

- Bill Barfield led discussion to make the below schedule for development, reviews, and submission of 2017 FCFCA Legislative Package. Approved by board:

1-25 Aug	Leg. Committee reviews 2016 survey, designs 2017 questions
22 Aug	Questions loaded into SurveyMonkey; intro & link sent to 1 st VP
25 Aug - 11 Sep	Survey released to public via Mail Chimp announcement
11- 25 Sep	Leg. Committee members compile and sort responses
25 Sep	Leg. Committee sends sorted responses to respective Committees
25 Sep - 8 Oct	Committees analyze responses and write 1-page Issues
9 Oct	Committees submit 2 to 4 Issues to Legislative Committee
9-16 Oct	Legislative Committee reviews and refines submissions received
16 Oct	Leg. Committee posts Draft Issues Package to Board and website
20 Oct	Board meeting debates and votes Issues to go to Membership
27 Oct	Membership meeting to vote on final 10 or 11 Legislative Issues
1 Nov	Latest date to pass Legislative Issues package to Legislators

Nominations.

Tim presented three nominations:

- a. Peter Sitnik nominated for Co-chair of Legislative Committee. Recommended by Bill Barfield. Unanimously approved by voice vote.
- b. Vicky Hall nominated for Chair of Land Use Committee. Recommended by Bill Barfield. Approved by voice vote subject to Tim's review of Vicky's position at Fairfax County to ensure there is no "conflict of interest".
- c. Morgan Jamison nominated for Chair of newly assigned special Revenue Committee. Committee assigned and chair recommended by Tim Thompson. Unanimously approved by voice vote.

District Council Reports:

Mason District Council Representative John Birch: Funding received for parks; reviewing priorities.

Mt. Vernon District Council Representative Peter Sitnik: Currently, the main topics of attention are Airbnb and excessive aircraft noise in residential communities during south flow departures from Reagan Washington National Airport. MVCCA also hosting a Fairfax County Meals Tax Panel on 28 Sep/7PM in Mt. Vernon Government Center.

Providence District Council Representative Flint Webb: His district council is looking for a new representative to the Federation. He will step down when one is found.

Sully District Council Representative Jeff Parnes: (*not captured*)

Committee Reports:

Citizens Associations Services. Don Hinman addressed Airbnb as a large concern of the communities. [SB416](#) "Airbnb Bill" passed both houses and sent to committee for 2017 session. Key issues are: (1) Localities and HOAs want to be able to have own rules and leasing privileges and not be constricted by State regulations, (2) a revenue tax like motel/hotel tax can be collected, (3) need guidance on health compliance, safety, and inspections, (4) HOA authority is not to be aggravated. Air noise pollution is another large concern of the communities.

Environment. Flint Webb stated the Board of Supervisors is reviewing the Environment Program and Policies; expects good results. BOS is also addressing the noise pollution created during south flow departures from Reagan Washington National Airport.

Library. Dennis Hays: Tim and Dennis met with the new Fairfax Library Director. She appears to have many ideas, including reducing weekly hours of operation to 35 and reducing staffing.

Public Safety. FCFCA Public Safety Committee Co-chair indicated that VA Delegate Marcus Simon will be presenting at the November FCFCA Membership Meeting; solicited new Public Safety Committee members from the various district councils; passed out copies of the tabled FCFCA Public Safety Committee Resolution on FCPD station to FCFCA board members; passed out copies of the Proposed Requirements for the All County September National Preparedness Month Program to FCFCA board members; FCFCA Public Safety Committee Co-chair asked to present information at the September 15th FCFCA board meeting on the All County September National Preparedness Month Program. Will have a presentation in September regarding topic. Distributed a proposed Program Requirements sheet and a proposed resolution for a FCPD District Station.

Transportation. Jeff Parnes: Several things, including Rts. 1 and 7 Corridors Vision Plans; I-66 and Rt. 28 interchange evaluation in progress; FAA addressing noise pollution during south flow departures from Reagan Washington National Airport.

Other Discussions:

Website Management. Jeff Parnes: Has updated website with the names of the newly elected officers. He has also uploaded the latest photos. Needs photos of new chairs. Jeff Parnes to send out instructions on how to load items onto the various FCFCA committees' web pages.

Public Safety web page: Daniela Cockayne requested to be granted permission to add, remove, or change items on the page. Jeff replied he needs an e-mail so requesting.

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 9:25PM.

Submitted By: Bill Barfield, Secretary Pro-tem