Arlington County Civic Federation
John T. Hazel Auditorium, Arlington Hospital

Minutes - January 2, 2001

1. The President called the meeting to order just after 7:30PM.

2. Approval of the Agenda: Approved unanimously after changing "old business" to "unfinished business" and adding that questions for the County Board would be limited to 45 minutes.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from December 5, 2000: Approved unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's written report, dated January 2, 2001, shows that 65 of the 74 member organizations have paid their 2000/2001 dues. The report also shows the combined Checking and Savings account balance was $3,925.56, with an additional balance of $20.91 available in the U.S. Postal Service bulk mail account.

5. Recognition. Toni Copeland, Clerk of the Arlington County Board was recognized.

6. President's Report. The president noted the success of the Federation's public comment period and briefly summarized meetings of the Finance Committee and Public Service Committee.

7. Committee Reports: Patrick Smaldore reported on the executive committee's December 13 meeting. Judy Green said that a listserv has been established to discuss parks and recreation issues. Bob Atkins said that the Manager would be proposing his budget at the County Board's February 10 meeting, and delegates interested in reviewing the budget should contact him. Jean Mostrom reminded delegates that recommended bylaws changes need to be in writing.

8. Program: County Board members presented their views on the state of the County. Their presentations were followed by a very enthusiastic session of delegate question and Board member answers.

9. Program Topics for February and March Meetings: Members noted a number of potential program topics. They included community inspections, bicentennial commission, community planning process, the Virginia Cooperative Extension Program, housing commission and affordable housing task force, animal welfare/animal rights, fire systems, Columbia Pike revitalization, and the Northern Virginia Land trust.

10. Unfinished Business. There was no unfinished business.

11. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned just before 10:00 p.m.

Recorded by Timothy Wise, Secretary