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

Minutes - March 5, 2001

1. The President called the meeting to order just after 7:31 PM.

2. Approval of Agenda: Approved unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes from January 22, 2001 Meeting: Approved unanimously. (A suggestion was made to include information about the special recognition awardees, and the secretary will try to include such information beginning with the May minutes.)

4. Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's written report, dated March 5, 2001, shows that 71 of the 75 member organizations have paid their 2000/2001 dues. The report also shows the combined Checking and Savings account balance of $2,529.97, with a $0.00 balance in the U.S. Postal Service bulk mail account.

5. President's Report: Jim Pebley presented a Certificate of Achievement from the 2000 annual banquet. He reminded members that at the April meeting, delegates would have the opportunity to discuss the Fiscal Year 2002 county and schools budget. He also said that the meeting of the Federation's finance committee had been postponed.

6. Committee Reports: Patrick Smaldore reported on the executive committee's February meeting. Bob Atkins noted that the Revenues & Expenditures Committee continued to review the FY2002 budget. Dan Krasnegor noted that planning continues for the upcoming annual banquet in March.

7. Program: A panel of five (County Board chairman Jay Fissette, former Planning Commission chair, Jack Goodman, Planning Division Director Bob Brosnan, and co-chairs of the Federation's Planning & Zoning Committee, Bill Gearhart and Martha Moore) discussed the Arlington development process. This included 1) siting of county facilities; 2) large commercial development; 3) townhouse and infill development; and 4) special use permits.

8. Consideration of By-Laws Amendments: The motions to strike all references to "alternate delegates," including, including an alternative to allow voting by only four of the delegates, were defeated on voice votes. The motion to increase membership dues from $40 to $50 passed on voice vote. With the aforementioned defeat, the first proposed rule was nullified. The second rule regarding the length of time that a speaker may speak during debate, i.e., 2 minutes vs. 3 minutes passed on a voice vote.

9. Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business.

10. New Business: There was no new business.

11. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned just before 10:07 p.m.

Recorded by Timothy Wise, Secretary