

Arlington County Civic Federation

John T. Hazel Auditorium, Virginia Hospital Center, Arlington

Minutes - February 5, 2002

1. The President called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.
2. Approval of Agenda: Approved unanimously.
3. Approval of Minutes from the January 2002 Meeting: Approved was deferred.
4. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Frances Finta's written report, dated December 4, 2001, shows that 68 of the 76 member organizations have paid their 2001/2002 dues, including one which has paid through 2002/2003. In addition, the report shows the combined Checking and Savings account balance of \$3,305.29 with a \$0.00 balance in the U.S. Postal Service bulk mail account. Mrs. Finta also presented a budget, which was approved unanimously.
5. President's Report. President Jim Pebley reported the September 11 Scholarship Fund has exceeded its goal of \$5,000, and is in fact approaching \$10,000. He reminded delegates of the upcoming Annual Banquet on March 15. He also announced that Delegates' School would be held on Sunday, March 24. In addition, he noted that the Revenues & Expenditures Committee is looking for new delegates or alternates who want to delve into the County's FY03 budget. Finally, he presented "Hero's Awards" to Ed Demoney for his work with food banks and to John Haas for his police service to the county.
6. Committee Reports. The By-Laws Committee presented proposed changes to the Federation's by-laws.
7. Program: The program included a visit by the County Manager and immediate members of his staff. Their presentation was followed by a question and answer period.
8. Resolution on Metrorail Expansion. The proposed resolution by the Transportation Committee was referred to a joint Transportation and Planning & Zoning committee.
9. Unfinished Business. After much discussion, the resolution regarding recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance was referred back to the Executive Committee on a vote of 30-25. A resolution involving development in Clarendon was amended and approved. Finally, there was a resolution involving the Superintendent's Teacher Excellence Initiative. A proposed amendment failed on a voice vote. After additional discussion, the question was called. That passed, and then the resolution passed on a voice vote.
10. New Business. A proposed letter regarding Arlington as a site for major league baseball was referred to the Executive Committee. Resolutions by the Leeway Overlee and the Highland Park-Overlee Knolls civic associations to resolve their overlapping boundaries was referred to the Executive Committee's subcommittee that is mediating the disputed boundaries.
11. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned just about about 10:35 p.m.

Recorded by Timothy Wise, Secretary

Approved
