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

Minutes – February 3, 2004

1. The President called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm after a community forum presentation by a member of the Arlington County Planning Commission.

2. Pledge of Allegiance. The formal meeting began with recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Agenda. The agenda was approved.

4. Approval of Minutes. Minutes from the January 2004 meeting were approved.

5. Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer Frances Finta’s written report shows a combined checking and savings accounts balance of $5,141.68 less a 911 Scholarship Fund balance of $1,031.92, leaving a Federation balance of $4,109.76. The bulk mail balance was $0.00. The report was accepted. Seventy-one of 87 organizations have paid their current dues.

6. Committee Reports: Brief status reports were presented by the chairs, or representatives, of several committees: Annual Banquet, Public Service, Housing, Parks and Recreation, and Revenues & Expenditures.

7. Program. The program involved two presentations. A five-member panel spoke on current Arlington transportation issues. The two authors presented their report on civic engagement in Arlington. Both programs included Q&A sessions with Federation delegates.

8. Old Business. Delegates considered two resolutions presented by the Public Services Committee. Delegates considered the siting of fire station #3 in Cherrydale. The resolution, as amended, passed unanimously with several abstentions. The second resolution involved the establishment of a public defender’s office in Arlington. After the question was called to cut-off debate, the resolution passed 22-10.

9. New Business. Maureen Ross presented a resolution to review the site plan process; the resolution was referred to committee. Bob Atkins made an announcement about a medical reserve corps.

10. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned about 9:45 pm.

Recorded by Timothy Wise, Secretary