Minutes – February 3, 2009 ACCF Membership Meeting

1. Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm by Larry Mayer, President. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Patrick Hope of the Buckingham Civic Association.

2. Agenda approved as submitted.

3. Approval of Minutes. The minutes of the January 6, 2009 membership meeting were distributed and approved as submitted.

4. Treasurer's Report: Balance on February 3, 2009 is $4,270.13. Fifty-three (64%) of member organizations have paid dues.

5. Committee Reports and Announcements:
   - Larry Finch: Two species of trees are available for the County's 2009 Tree Giveaway: a Bur Oak and an American Hazel. Full descriptions of the trees are at http://www.arlingtonva.us/Departments/ParksRecreation/scripts/programs/page68473.aspx. The program is coordinated by Patrick Wegeng who may be reached at pwegeng(at)arlingtonva.us or phone at 703-228-6521. Each civic association should appoint a representative to coordinate with Mr. Wegeng. Deadline for civic associations to send orders is April 30.
   - The Housing Committee (Kathryn Scruggs, chair) announces 4 principles to guide housing considerations for the 2010 County budget:
      1. Program policies should favor use of Affordable Housing Investment Funds (AHIF) to preserve affordable housing;
      2. Critical recreation areas should be preserved when public lands are considered for development.
      3. Increased funding may be needed for: Housing Grants, Transitional Housing Grants for homeless families with children, Permanent Supportive Housing, Homeless Shelter Programs.
      4. Establish a contingency fund to stimulate a public-private Homeless Trust Fund.
   - The Revenues and Expenditures meeting schedule appears on the calendar page of the Civic Federation website.
   - The Schools Committee schedule will appear on the calendar page when announced.
   - The Civic Voice is now delivered electronically. Please make sure email addresses are current.

6. The annual ACCF County Board Program began with remarks from Barbara Favola, County Board chair. Questions to the Board – moderate on the floor - were moderated by Larry Mayer, ACCF president.

7. New Business: None

8. Adjournment at 9:30 p.m.

Submitted: Sharon Rogers, Secretary