



**Minutes June 6, 2017**  
**ACCF Membership Meeting**

**Call to Order:** Federation President Pryor called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Hazel Auditorium at the Virginia Hospital Center. President Pryor led the meeting in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting's agenda and the May 2, 2017 Membership Meeting Minutes were approved as submitted. The Treasurer's report was filed subject to audit

**September 2017 Membership Meeting:** President Pryor announced that the September 5, 2017 Membership Meeting will be held in the Hazel Auditorium at the Virginia Hospital Center. The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM.

**Treasurer's Report:** President Pryor announced on behalf of Treasurer Pat Spann that the Federation had balances of \$7,056.01 in its checking account and \$20,875.61 in its savings account as of June 2, 2017.

**New Delegates:** President Pryor welcomed new delegates John Chandler of Glencarlyn and Matt Wavro of Arlington Heights.

**Career Center Video recording of this Meeting:** President Pryor thanked Career Center students Rudi Henriquez and Christian Porter and their Career Center instructor Duane Lomis for making a video recording of this Federation meeting.

**Nominating Committee:** The Nominating Committee submitted the following slate of candidates for 2017-2018 Federation Officers: Duke Banks, President; Matt Wavro, Vice President; Dennis Gerrity, Secretary; and Sarah Shortall, Treasurer; and Executive Committee Members: Terri Prell, Anya Gan, Rick Epstein, Nicole Merlene, and Eric Berkey. President Pryor called for nominations from the floor. There were none. The slate of candidates for 2017-2018 officers was approved without exception. The slate of candidates for 2017-2018 Executive Committee members was approved without exception.

**Legislative Program** Senator Adam Ebbin (30<sup>th</sup> District), Senator Barbara Favola (31<sup>st</sup> District), Senator Janet Howell (32<sup>nd</sup> District), Delegate Mark Levine (45<sup>th</sup> District), Delegate Alfonso Lopez (49<sup>th</sup> District), and Delegate Rip Sullivan (48<sup>th</sup>) gave brief presentations and then answered questions from Delegates and Alternates on the following topics: foreign interference in the electoral process in Virginia; expansion of I-66 HOV hours; the effect of Paris Accord withdrawal on Virginia's efforts to deal with climate change; gerrymandering reform; reducing environmental damage associated with the Mountain Valley Pipeline; and towing

**Internal Auditor and Inspector General Panel:** Dr. Christopher Horton, Arlington County Internal Auditor, and Chris Essig, Office of the Inspector General of the Department of the Army, Department of Defense gave presentations on their professional responsibilities and then answered questions from Delegates and Alternates on the following topics: Who is the Audit Committee? Does the Independent Auditor have access to any county employee anytime anywhere? How can County employees use hot lines to report problems without fear of reprisals? How the Internal Auditor get ideas for the projects that make up Dr. Horton's audit plan? How does Dr. Horton prioritize his audit plan? What metrics does Dr. Horton use to measure success and failure of county programs? Are records and data management and archiving included in Dr. Horton's audit plan? Is oversight of Metro part of Dr. Horton's audit plan? How large a staff does Dr. Horton need to fulfill his charge? What can citizens do to assist Dr. Horton in fulfilling his mission? What is Dr. Horton's initial view of Arlington County and what has he learned from it that he could use to recommend improvements?

**Report and Vote on Liability Insurance Resolution:**

Vice President Banks answered questions on a revised version of the Executive Committee's General Liability Insurance Resolution, which states in relevant part: 1. *Asks Arlington County to reconsider requiring civic associations to have Commercial General Liability Insurance Coverage in order to use public property, which could discourage or restrict citizen participation.* 2. *Asks Arlington County to minimize factors that could increase exposure to civic association members, leaders and representatives in designing or revamping processes and policies that shift liability exposure from indemnified County staff to volunteers.* 3. *Asks the County to study alternatives to reduce liability and risk to civic organizations and their volunteer members, leadership and representatives when participating in or promoting civic activities.* 4. *Asks Arlington County to provide volunteer groups and individuals who are contributing their time and efforts for the benefit of the County with indemnification protection so long as those groups and individuals comply with rules established by County policies.* These questions included a request for information on what policies the county had adopted and publicized on what the county expects of citizens as volunteers and what types of fiduciary responsibilities did volunteers have? A motion to call the question was made and approved by a two-thirds majority. Ms. Pryor moved that the revised Executive Committees General Liability Insurance resolution be approved. Suzanne Sundberg of the Organized Women Voters seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 36 to 1 with no abstentions.

**New Business:** None.

**Announcements**

- The next Membership Meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 in the Hazel Auditorium at the Virginia Hospital Center. The tentative agenda for this meeting is: 2017 Candidates Forum
- The next Executive Committee will be held at 6:30 PM on Sunday, June 11, 2017, at the fire station at 4805 Wilson Blvd.
- The deadline for the September 2017 Newsletter is August 24.
- The Columbia Pike Blues Festival will be held from 1:00 PM to 8 PM on Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, on Walter Reed Drive at Columbia Pike.
- The Arlington Community Foundation and Arlington County Civic Federation 911 Scholarship Award Ceremony will be held from 7:00 PM to 9 PM on Saturday, June 14, 2017, at 200 South Carlyn Springs Road in the Kenmore Middle School Auditorium.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Dennis Gerrity, Secretary