



# THE Civic Voice

ARLINGTON COUNTY CIVIC FEDERATION

Newsletter of the Arlington County Civic Federation

September 2011

## New Location for Sept. 6 and Oct. 4 Meeting

### Meeting Notice

Tuesday, September 6, 2011

7:30 p.m.

Auditorium

**Washington-Lee High School**

1301 N. Stafford Street

Arlington, VA 22201

[www.civfed.org](http://www.civfed.org)

### New Location for Sept. 6 and Oct. 4 Meeting

The Civic Federation will hold both the September 6 and October 4 meetings at the **Washington-Lee High School Auditorium** due to renovation of the Hazel Conference Center at Virginia Hospital Center. Please find more information about our meeting times and locations at ([www.civfed.org](http://www.civfed.org)).

Washington-Lee High School is located at 1301 N. Stafford Street, Arlington, VA 22201. There is free parking on site in the adjacent, I-66 parking garage, located behind the school off of North Stafford Street. Additional parking is available in the parking lot adjacent to the School Board building (1426 N. Quincy Street, Arlington, VA 22207).

### Agenda

- 7:30 Pledge of Allegiance
- Approve agenda
- Officer reports
- Member delegate announcements
- 7:40 Candidate Night program
- 9:25 New Business
- 9:30 Adjourn

*I am honored to serve as President of the Civic Federation. I am pleased to welcome back the many delegates and alternates from the over 80 member organizations to the beginning of the 2011-2012 year. The Civic Federation promotes Arlington's welfare in a nonpartisan, nonsectarian, and nonpolitical manner.*

James M. Schroll, Civic Federation President  
[james@civfed.org](mailto:james@civfed.org)

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# Civic Federation Primary Topics, General Meeting Dates, and Executive Committee Meeting Dates

Month	Primary Program Topic	General Meeting	Executive Committee Meeting
September	Candidate Night I (W-L HS Auditorium)	Tuesday 6*	Monday 12
October	Candidate Night II (W-L HS Auditorium)	Tuesday 4*	Monday 10
November	To be determined	Tuesday 1	Monday 7
December	To be determined	Tuesday 6	Monday 12
January	State Legislator Delegation	Tuesday 3	Monday 9
February	County Board Members	Tuesday 7	Monday 13
March	School Board Members	Tuesday 6	Monday 12
April	Budget and Tax Rate	Tuesday 3	Monday 9
May	To be determined	Tuesday 1	Monday 7
June	To be determined & Civic Federation election	Tuesday 5	Monday 11

*\*The Candidate Nights scheduled for September 6 and October 4 will be held at the Washington-Lee High School Auditorium. The location of additional general meetings has not been determined at this time. Further information regarding the location of general meetings will be posted on the Civic Federation website ([www.civfed.org](http://www.civfed.org)) and included in the newsletter as it becomes available.*

*Executive Committee meetings will be held on the Monday following the General Meeting. They will be held at 7:30pm at 4805 Wilson Blvd (Fire Station 2).*

## Civic Federation Committee Chairs

Civic Federation committees study community-wide policy issues in their jurisdiction and report to the Civic Federation's member organization delegates. All Civic Federation delegates and alternate delegates should serve on a committee. If you are not already serving on a committee, please review the jurisdictions ([www.civfed.org/committe.htm](http://www.civfed.org/committe.htm)) and email the committee chair to sign up.

Committee	Chair(s)	Email Address
Executive	Interim Chair Burt Bostwick, Interim Vice-Chair Peter Olivere	<a href="mailto:burt@civfed.org">burt@civfed.org</a> , <a href="mailto:Peterolivere@civfed.org">Peterolivere@civfed.org</a>
Airport	Steve Geiger	<a href="mailto:steveg@civfed.org">steveg@civfed.org</a>
Awards	Elected by membership December 7, 2010	to be determined
Audit	Anna Medlin	additional members to be determined
Bylaws	Jean Mostrom	703-532-0452
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Housing	Kathryn Scruggs	<a href="mailto:kathryn@civfed.org">kathryn@civfed.org</a>
Legislation	<i>Chair(s) needed</i>	to be determined
Membership	Mileva Hartman	<a href="mailto:mileva@civfed.org">mileva@civfed.org</a>
911 Scholarships	Jim Pebley	<a href="mailto:jim@civfed.org">jim@civfed.org</a>
Nominating	Elected by membership April 5, 2011	to be determined
Parks and Recreation	Jay Wind	<a href="mailto:jay@civfed.org">jay@civfed.org</a>
Planning and Zoning	Martha Moore and Larry Mayer	<a href="mailto:martha@civfed.org">martha@civfed.org</a> , <a href="mailto:larrymayer@civfed.org">larrymayer@civfed.org</a>
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Special Events	<i>Chair(s) needed</i>	to be determined
Transportation	Jerry Auten	<a href="mailto:jerry@civfed.org">jerry@civfed.org</a>

# Candidate Night Program Rules and Format

Terri Prell [terri@civfed.org](mailto:terri@civfed.org)

1. This document details the rules for the Arlington County Civic Federation candidate night forums that will be held at the Washington-Lee High School Auditorium over the course of two meetings: Tuesday, September 6, 2011, and Tuesday, October 7, 2011, at 7:30 p.m.

2. Candidates running in the November 8, 2011, general election for the following offices are eligible to participate in the forums. The date and time of the candidate forums for each race are outlined below:

## September 6, 2011

- Virginia State Senate, 30<sup>th</sup> District
- Virginia State Senate, 31<sup>st</sup> District
- Virginia State Senate, 32<sup>nd</sup> District
- Virginia House of Delegates, 45<sup>th</sup> District
- Virginia House of Delegates, 47<sup>th</sup> District
- Virginia House of Delegates, 48<sup>th</sup> District
- Virginia House of Delegates, 49<sup>th</sup> District

## October 4, 2011

- Arlington, Virginia County Board
- Arlington, Treasurer
- Arlington, Commissioner of the Revenue
- Arlington, Sheriff
- Arlington and Falls Church, Commonwealth's Attorney
- Arlington, Virginia School Board

3. Each office will be a distinct panel of candidates.

4. When their panel is called, candidates will take their places at the table. Substitute speakers are not permitted. If a candidate does not participate, the panel will go on.

5. Candidates may make opening statements from the podium. Speaking order will be determined by a drawing at the start of each panel. Candidates in contested races will have an opportunity to field questions from the audience. Candidate responses to audience questions will be made from the table, not the podium. Closing remarks are allowed for contested races. Candidates may use notes.

6. The candidate panels and time per panel will be organized as shown in the table below:

Number of candidates in a panel	Candidate Opening Statement (min)	Member Delegate Questions (0.5 min per question)	Candidate Responses (1 min per response)	Candidate Closing Statement (min)	Total (min)
4	2.0	(up to four questions) 2.0	4	2.0	34
3	2.0	(up to four questions) 2.0	4	2.0	26
2	2.0	(up to four questions) 2.0	4	2.0	18
1	2.0	n/a	n/a	2.0	4

7. The order of answering questions will rotate. Candidates will be informed by cue card when time is short and has run out. Because of the number of speakers, time limits will be strictly enforced.
8. Audience questions from Civic Federation delegates and alternate delegates will be entertained through a drawing system.
9. Civic Federation delegates and alternate delegates may register to have their name drawn by signing up in the lobby at 7:00 p.m. Delegates and alternate delegates may register to ask a question for multiple panels. In order for more delegates and alternate delegates to have an opportunity to ask a question, the forum moderator will give first priority to delegates and alternate delegates who have not yet had a turn.
10. The forum moderator will draw a delegate or alternate delegate name and then call on them to ask their question. Questions may be directed to one or more candidates.
11. Questions may be up to thirty-seconds long and may not be position statements. Follow-up questions are not allowed.
12. The Civic Federation's rules will be observed at all times.
13. The forum is a nonpartisan event and takes place on the property of Washington-Lee High School. No applause, cheering, jeering, or other verbal reply will be allowed by audience members in response to candidate statements. Applause for all participants will be held to the end of each candidate night. Cell phones must be turned off for the duration of the forum.
14. Literature may be distributed only in the conference center lobby from 6:45 P.M. until 9:30 p.m. Signs, banners, demonstrations and electronic presentations are not allowed on the property including outside the building and in the lobby, hallway, and auditorium.

## Committee News

### Executive Committee

Burt Bostwick, interim Chair [burt@civfed.org](mailto:burt@civfed.org)  
Peter Olivere, interim Vice-Chair  
[Peterolivere@civfed.org](mailto:Peterolivere@civfed.org)

The Executive Committee met on June 13, 2011. Burt Bostwick and Peter Olivere were elected interim Chair and Vice-Chair, respectively. Portia Clark, James Lantelme, Burt Bostwick, Larry Finch, and Amy Levin plus officers James Schroll, Terri Prell, and Peter Olivere will serve on the Executive Committee ([www.civfed.org/officers.htm](http://www.civfed.org/officers.htm)).

Civic Federation delegates and alternate delegates may sign up to be selected to ask a question during Candidate Night by signing up in the lobby from 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Questions will be entertained through a drawing system.

The Executive Committee will meet on September 12, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. at 4805 Wilson Blvd, Arlington VA 22203 (Fire Station 2) to coordinate committee work, plan future meeting programs, and organize the October Civic Voice newsletter.

### Federation Still Needs Secretary

The Civic Federation is still looking for a delegate or alternate to serve as Secretary. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, or have a name to suggest, please contact James Schroll at [james@civfed.org](mailto:james@civfed.org).

## Arlington County Fair

By the end of the Arlington County Fair, the map had 1550 pins in various residences; most families only put in one pin per residence so we had a lot more than that visit the booth.

Thanks to Burt Bostwick, Portia Clark, Randy Swart, Frank Emerson, Terri Prell, Ann Rudd, Marcia MacDonald, Mary Cottrell, Jeanette Bean, Jim Pebley, Susan Zajac, Anya Gan, James Schroll, Larry Mayer, Larry Finch, Michael Beer and Peter Olivere for working the booth. They described the various civic associations and handed out a flyer with information about the Civic Federation, neighborhood associations and contact information. Peter Olivere handled making all of the arrangements in addition to working several shifts.

