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Meeting Notice

Tuesday, June 4, 2013
7:30 p.m.
Hazel Auditorium
Virginia Hospital Center
1701 N George Mason Drive
Arlington, VA 22205
www.civfed.org

Agenda

- 7:30 Pledge of Allegiance
Approve agenda
Officer reports
Member delegate
announcements
- 7:45 TAP Program
- 8:15 Election of Officers
- 8:30 Old Business
- Proposed ACCF Civic Awareness/
Engagement Initiative**
- 9:00 New Business
- 9:05 Adjourn

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Executive Committee News

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Terri Prell, Vice-Chair terri@civfed.org

The Executive Committee met on May 12, 2013 to plan the agenda for the June 4, 2013, meeting general meeting and discussed the agenda for future meetings (www.civfed.org/officers.htm).

The Executive Committee will meet on June 9, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. at 4805 Wilson Blvd, Arlington VA 22203 (Fire Station 2) to coordinate committee work, plan future meeting programs. **Both current and newly elected officers and Executive Committee Members should attend.**

Committee News

Affordable Housing Study Group

Kathryn Scruggs, the Federation's representative to the County's Affordable Housing Study Group, has passed along some updates on housing and homeless in the County. Please see the following link

<http://civfed.com/home/2013/05/30/affordable-housing-study-take-aways/>

Working Group for Neighborhood Insurance

Many delegates and organizations have been concerned about the County requirement to procure insurance for neighborhood and community events. Paul Svercl will lead a working group to investigate possible options for the Federation to provide private insurance to its member organizations. The working group will provide a recommendation, but no action will be taken until the Executive Committee and Federation has had an opportunity to consider said recommendation. If you are interested in participating in the working group, please contact Paul at pvsvercl@yahoo.com.

Nominating Committee

At the April meeting the Federation elected the Nominating Committee of Jim Pebley, Mileva Hartman, Jackie Snelling, Jim Lantelme, and James Schroll. The Committee will recommend the following slate of candidates at the June meeting:

President: Mike McMenamin (Maywood)
Vice President: Carla de La Pava (Bellevue Forest)
Secretary: Randy Swart (Barcroft)
Treasurer: Peter Olivere (Glencarlyn)
Executive Committee: John Vihstadt (Tara-Leeway Heights)
Executive Committee: John Moran (Foxcroft Heights)
Executive Committee: Terri Prell (North Rosslyn)
Executive Committee: Kim Klingler (Leeway Overlee)
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After the slate is read, nominations will be in order from the floor.

Meeting Program

Tap in Arlington Program

The Federation will host County Board Member Jay Fisetto to talk about his initiative, Tap in Arlington, to address bottled water in the County. This will be a 30 minute program and will contain questions.

Unfinished Business

The unfinished business before the Federation is the consideration of the resolution introduced by Mr. Burt Bostwick (Old Glebe) on behalf of the Executive Committee on the Civic Awareness/Engagement Initiative. Please find background on the intended objectives for the pilot program below, in addition to the resolution text.

Proposed ACCF Civic Awareness/Engagement Initiative

- **Objective(s):** (A) Increase participation in and awareness of civic activities, especially by the younger generations; and (B) raise the profile of ACCF and civic associations, increase membership and participation.
- **Target Groups:** (A) Arlington high school students and youth organizations; and (B) their parents and/or sponsors.
- **Incentives:** Cash awards or grants (up to \$2000 p.a.) Can be split 5-3-2 for both individual and group awards (up to three per category).
- **Eligible Activities:** (A) **Individual:** Essays, documentaries (written or visual), social media incentives, inventory of volunteer activities and programs, neighborhood and civic organization histories, etc.; and, (B) **Group:** neighborhood or community programs and projects, etc.
- **ACCF Input and Process:** Cash awards for individuals; 'grants' for group programs/projects. ExCom to screen for both individual and project awards. Suggest

ACCF March membership meeting for voting on individual awards; ExCom screen and award group programs and projects in December. Presentation of awards at April banquet.

Why are we suggesting this?

- We wish to increase ACCF profile and membership
- We wish to engage and inform 'younger generations' in civic awareness and participation.

How will it work?

As annual program, but initially rolled out as Pilot program; would continue only if sufficient interest and participation.

ExCom will have general oversight of program. One or two individuals need to accept 'ownership' of the program and be principal points of contact.

What do we need to do now?

- Approve the initiative and an annual budget.
- Decide on optimum ways and times to announce, publicize and roll out program.
- Come up with good list of topics and/or themes for individual awards; potential programs and projects for 'group' awards.

Resolution:

Whereas, the Arlington County Civic Federation ("ACCF") was founded in 1916 and devotes itself to improving the quality of life in Arlington County, in advocating improvements in the infrastructure of the County, and in airing and discussing issues of concern to its members.

Whereas, ACCF wishes to encourage 'younger' residents in civic awareness and activities

Whereas, ACCF wishes to broaden its appeal to all segments of the community

Whereas, ACCF hopes thereby to increase its membership and public profile

Whereas the initiative includes relevant media submissions, as well as civic programs and projects

Whereas the initiative will involve civic associations as well as other ACCF member groups

Whereas ACCF membership will have the opportunity to vote awards for individuals and groups

Therefore, be it resolved

That ACCF membership approves a new awards program for civic engagement aimed at 'younger' residents

That ACCF membership approves an expenditure of up to \$2000 on a pilot basis renewable annually at the discretion of membership

That ACCF membership will publicize and promote the initiative within their respective organizations.

General and Executive Committee Meeting Dates

Month	Primary Program Topic	General Meeting	Executive Committee Meeting
June	Elections; Tap in Arlington Program; Consideration of Resolution on Civic Engagement	Tuesday 4	Sunday 9

*These meetings will be held the second week of the month, which is a deviation from the original schedule. Please note this change. The location for these meetings is unchanged. Executive Committee meetings will be held on the Sunday 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) and email the committee chair to sign up.

Committee	Chair(s)	Email Address
Executive	Chair Jim Lantelme; Vice Chair Terri Prell	jim@civfed.org ; terri@civfed.org
Airport	<i>Chair(s) needed</i>	to be determined
Awards	<i>Chair(s) chosen at December meeting</i>	to be determined
Audit	Bob Atkins	luddite2003@yahoo.com
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Housing	Kathryn Scruggs	kathryn@civfed.org
Legislation	<i>Chair(s) needed</i>	to be determined
Membership	Mileva Hartman	mileva@civfed.org
911 Scholarships	Jim Pebley	jim@civfed.org
Nominating		to be determined
Parks and Recreation	Jay Wind	jay@civfed.org
Planning and Zoning	Martha Moore and Larry Mayer	martha@civfed.org , larrymayer@civfed.org
Public Services	<i>Chair(s) needed</i>	to be determined
Revenues and Expenditures	<i>Chair(s) needed</i>	to be determined
Schools	Michael Beer and Sandy Munnell	michaelbeer@civfed.org ; smunnell@gmail.com
Special Events	<i>Chair(s) needed</i>	to be determined
Transportation	Jerry Auten	jerry@civfed.org