



**ARLINGTON COUNTY
CIVIC FEDERATION**

Agenda for January 4, 2011

7:00 to 7:30 Submit questions for legislator panel (floor questions will also be recognized)

7:30 Call meeting to order and Pledge of Allegiance of the United States

Adopt agenda

Officer reports

Civic Federation member delegate announcements, comments, and questions

7:40 State Legislator program (Legislation Committee) with invited guest speakers:

- Delegate Robert Brink
- Delegate Adam Ebbin
- Delegate David Englin
- Delegate Patrick Hope
- Senator Patricia Ticer
- Senator Mary Margaret Whipple

- 25 Minutes - The legislators will each have up to five minutes to make opening remarks and incorporate one or two of the neighborhood-focused themes that the Civic Federation Legislation Committee has asked them to cover.
- 15 Minutes - Questions prepared by the Civic Federation Legislation Committee. The legislator panel will have up to four minutes to jointly speak to each question.
- 40 Minutes - Questions from Civic Federation member delegates. The legislator panel will have up to four minutes to jointly speak to each question. The moderator will present the previously submitted questions to the legislator panel. Member delegates may also be recognized to present their own question. Please limit questions to 30 seconds.

9:00 Snow Removal & Winter Storm program (Public Services Committee) with guest speakers:

- Dave Hundelt, Arlington County Department of Environmental Services,
- Deborah Johnson, Senior External Affairs Manager, Dominion Virginia Power, and
- Hunter Moore, Assistant Deputy County Manager, Arlington County.
- 25 Minutes - Guest speaker panel presentation
- 25 Minutes - Member delegate questions and discussion

9:50 Unfinished Business (none anticipated)

9:55 New Business (Introduction of business to be considered February 1, 2011)

10:00Adjourn (The next Civic Federation meeting will be February 1, 2011)

Civic Federation Treasurer's Report for December 8, 2010 - Eileen Williams:

Checking Account

Bank Balance on November 15, 2010		\$13,168.58
Income:		
• None	\$0.00	
	\$0.00	\$13,168.58
Expenses:		
• Randy Swart (reimburse website hosting service fee)	\$195.97	
	\$195.97	
Balance on December 8, 2010		\$12,965.61

Savings Account

Balance on November 15, 2010	\$855.29
Balance on December 8, 2010	\$855.29

Secretary's Report - Draft Minutes from the December 7, 2010 Civic Federation Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mike Kerley, President. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Anya Gan, Arlington Education Association. The agenda and time organization rules were approved as submitted. The minutes of the November 9, 2010, meeting were distributed and approved; the Treasurer's report was accepted; several announcements were made. Mark Antell, Martha Moore, Sharon Rogers, Kathryn Scruggs, and Jackie Snelling were elected to the Awards Committee.

Program - The Civic Federation Revenues and Expenditures and Schools Committee presented a program with guest speakers Barbara Donnellan, Arlington County Manager, and Patrick Murphy, Superintendent of Arlington Public Schools. The program focused on County and school system-wide issues including the projected budget gap for fiscal year 2012. The presentation was followed by member delegate questions and discussion. The Legislative Committee presented a program on a proposed change to Virginia tax administration with guest speaker Ingrid Morroy, Commissioner of Revenue. The presentation was followed by member delegate questions and discussion.

Unfinished Business - The Civic Federation Legislation Committee presented a report and proposed a motion on a proposed change to Virginia Tax administration which was introduced by Peter Owen at the November 9, 2010, Civic Federation meeting. The motion for resolution was:

Whereas, an efficient, accurate and taxpayer-friendly tax assessment, collection and accounting system is in the interest of Arlingtonians and Virginians,

Whereas, the Commissioners of the Revenue Association of Virginia has proposed certain changes to Virginia tax administration to create more efficient, accurate and customer friendly tax assessment and collections,

Whereas, the Association's proposals would allow local tax administrators to provide "one-stop" services for certain local businesses, and would be able to more promptly and accurately assess sales and other taxes from certain local businesses, and

Whereas, "local" tax administration addressed by the Association's proposals would in Arlington County be administered by the office of the Commissioner of Revenue,

Be it therefore Resolved that the Arlington County Civic Federation supports legislation allowing local registration for state and local business taxes, local monitoring of the local option portion of the state sales and use tax, local/state tax audit partnership for the meals tax, and local registration and monitoring of businesses that are subject to the licensing laws of the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation.

After delegate discussion, the resolution was adopted with a vote of 45 yes and 0 no.

New Business - The meeting adjourned at 9:20 until the next membership meeting on January 4, 2011.

Submitted by Peter Olivero