

Arlington County Civic Federation

John T. Hazel Auditorium, Arlington Hospital

Minutes - October 3, 2000

1. The President called the meeting to order just after 7:30PM.
2. Approval of the Agenda: Deferred to the October meeting.
3. Approval of Minutes from September 2000 Meeting: Approved after correction for one extraneous graphical character.
4. Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's written report, dated October 3, 2000, shows that 57 of the 74 member organizations have paid their 2000/2001 dues. The report also shows that the combined Checking and Savings account balance was \$4,489.34, with an additional balance of \$112.60 available in the U.S. Postal Service bulk mail account.
5. Committee Reports: The transportation committee made a written report available.
6. Special Recognition. Explorer Scout Kelsey Netting was recognized for his efforts involving a merit badge.
7. President's Report. The president discussed the efforts of the Federation's various committees and the brainstorming effort's of the executive committee. Written handouts on each were available at the sign-in desk.
8. Program: The first program included a review of the County's five proposed bond referenda. The main issues in each referendum was presented by the chairs of several county commissions. This was followed by a Q&A period. Bob Atkins presented the R&E committee's motion to approve all five referenda. Tim Wise moved that the R&E committee's motion be amended to not approve two of the five referenda (the facilities bond, which included \$5 million for George Mason University's Arlington campus, and the parks and recreation bond). There was one vote to extend debate, but was defeated 25-22. This motion to amend the overall bond motion was defeated 34-6. By voice vote, proposed Constitutional Amendment 1, regarding the use of lottery proceeds, passed while Question 2 regarding the right to hunt and fish failed. The second element of the evening's program was a presentation on the management of Arlington's watersheds, led by Joy Hecht of the county's environmental commission.
9. New Business: After some editorial changes were approved, a motion was passed 12-6 to approve the draft articles of incorporation to establish the Federation as a 501c(6). In addition, a standing rule was adopted authorizing "e-votes" by the executive committee.
10. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:30 p.m.

Recorded by Timothy Wise, Secretary