

Arlington County Civic Federation

John T. Hazel Auditorium, Virginia Hospital Center, Arlington

Minutes – April 6, 2004

1. The Vice-President called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm after a community forum presentation by Pedals for Progress.
2. Pledge of Allegiance. The formal meeting began with recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Approval of Agenda. The agenda was approved.
4. Approval of Minutes. Minutes from the March 2004 meeting were approved with two minor changes in paragraph 8.
5. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's written report shows a combined checking and savings accounts balance of \$6,027.85 less a 911 Scholarship Fund balance of \$1,031.92, leaving a Federation balance of \$4,995.93. The bulk mail balance was \$0.00.. Eighty of 87 organizations have paid their current dues. The report was accepted.
6. Committee Reports: Brief status reports were presented by the chairs, or representatives, of several committees, including the Revenues & Expenditures, By-Laws, Housing, Environmental, Airports, Legislation, and Transportation.
7. Nominating Committee. Nine delegates were nominated to be members of the committee. Written ballots were submitted and counted. The results showed that Randy Swart, Robert Atkins, Ann Ross, Roger Meyer, and Jim Pebley were elected as the Nominating Committee.
8. Program. The program was presented in two parts. The first part included a presentation on urban forestry in the county, followed by Q&A, It concluded with a resolution on the coordination and management of high-voltage transmission lines, which passed unanimously. The second part of the program involved the joint report of the Revenues & Expenditures and Schools committees on the Fiscal Year 2005 budget, which included a recommendation that the real estate tax rate be reduced by 4.6 cents to a rate of 93.2 cents per \$100 of assessed value. A special rule, approved at the March meeting, limited substantive motions unless the committee's motion failed. The committee's motion on the FY05 budget passed with more yeas than nays.
9. New Business. There was no new business.
10. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned about 10:10 pm.

Recorded by Timothy Wise, Secretary