



Minutes – February 5, 2008 ACCF Membership Meeting

1. Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm by Larry Mayer, President. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by John Waters of the Lyon Park Civic Association.
2. Agenda approved as submitted.
3. Approval of Minutes. The minutes of the January 8, 2008 membership meeting were distributed and approved as submitted.
4. Treasurer's Report: The full report is available on Civic Federation website. Balance on hand is \$4,254.03. Seventy-three (90%) of the member organizations have paid their dues as of February 5, 2007.
5. Committee Reports and Announcements:
 - The Information Technology Advisory Commission did not hold hearings on January 16 and January 19 to accept testimony about Cavalier as a cable services provider. The South Arlington franchise agreement appears on the county website. Hearings will be rescheduled for a later date
 - The Towns of Courthouse Hill was unanimously accepted as a new member.
 - If you haven't already, please submit email addresses to Sharon Rogers, Secretary
6. Special rules for this meeting with the County Board were announced as published in the newsletter, the agenda and on the website.
7. The annual meeting with County Board members (Jay Fisette could not attend) was conducted over an hour and 40 minutes primarily directed by questions from Civic Federation members. Extensive detail on the status of Arlington County appears in the County Manager's annual report at <http://www.arlingtonva.us/Departments/CountyManager/YearEnd/page59411.pdf>. Participants were invited to review openings on County Advisory Boards and Commissions and to volunteer or make recommendations: <http://www.arlingtonva.us/Departments/Commissions/CommissionsMain.aspx>
8. A resolution on Accessory Dwellings was presented jointly by two Civic Federation committees: Housing and Planning and Zoning. During the ensuing discussion the following actions were taken:
 - a. Time was extended 4 times for a total of 45 minutes.
 - b. The following motions were voted on (NOTE: Aurora Highlands Civic Association delegates abstained from all votes) –
 - (1) Motion to call the question passed by over the required two-thirds of those voting.
 - (2) Motion to defer all action to June was defeated.
 - (3) Motion to defer for one month to the March meeting was defeated 32 to 26.
 - (4) Motion to amend the resolution to remove "supports amending the Zoning Ordinance" and substituting language only urging consideration of the issues outlined in the resolution was passed 47 to 12.
 - (5) The main motion on the resolution was then passed by a vote of 52 to 5.

At the direction of President Larry Mayer, Martha Moore and Peter Owen revised the motion to reflect the actions of the civic federation delegates. The revised resolution, as transmitted to the County Board, appears on the Civic Federation website at <http://www.civfed.org/resadu0802rev.pdf>.

9. New Business and Other Announcements

Stan Karson, Radnor/Ft. Myer Heights Civic Association, introduced a resolution, supported by two civic associations, to increase free access to the Central Place Observation Deck. The resolution was referred to the Public Services Committee to be brought forward at the March membership meeting.

10. The meeting adjourned at 10:15 PM.

Submitted:

Sharon J. Rogers
Secretary