## **Minutes**

## Arlington County Civic Federation John T. Hazel Auditorium, Arlington Hospital January 7, 1997

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 p.m. by President Bill Nolden

- 1. Agenda was approved as presented.
- 2. Minutes of the December 3, 1996, meeting were approved as presented.
- 3. Treasurer's Report (by Treasurer Ed McWethy): Current balance is \$3,545.12.
- 4. Executive Committee Report (by Exec. Comm. Chairman Frances Finta): Business at the Committee's December 19 meeting included plans for the January meeting of the Federation and for future meetings. The Committee agreed to allow follow-up questions by delegates at the January meeting, provided that the total allowable time of three minutes per questioner was not exceeded. John Nicholas, chairman of the Special Events Committee, was given the green light to invite a potential Banquet speaker, and it was agreed that a sign-up sheet would be available for delegates at the January meeting to participate in the "Operation Dialogue" project. Next meeting of the Committee: January 16, 1997. (Full report is on file with Secretary's minutes.)
- 5. Program: Annual Report by the Arlington County Board

President Nolden introduced members of the County Board. (Chairman Ellen Bozman, James Hunter, Al Eisenberg and Paul Ferguson were present; Chris Zimmerman was ill and unable to attend.) The guests spoke briefly on their particular agendas for the coming year and addressed some of the specific questions they had been asked in the letter of invitation from the Executive Committee (i.e., the Capital Budget and ways that organizations might increase their effectiveness in the County).

During the lively question/answer period, the numerous subjects addressed included taxes and bond issues, policies and health of the fire department, the Arlington Hospital "takeover" by a for-profit organization, diversity of the community, the Quincy Street extension, the school budget, and the proposed King Street overpass.

6. With no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Tommye Morton, Secretary

Date Approved:
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