

## Minutes

### **Arlington County Civic Federation John T. Hazel Auditorium, Arlington Hospital March 4, 1997**

The meeting was **called to order** at 7:35 p.m. by President Bill Nolden

**1.. Agenda** was approved as presented.

**2. Minutes** of the February 4, 1997, meeting were approved as presented.

**3. Treasurer's Report** (by Treasurer Ed McWethy): Current balance is \$1,843.62. (Advance payment to Fort Myer Officers Club for upcoming banquet accounts for drop in balance.)

**4. Executive Committee Report** (by Exec. Comm. Chairman Frances Finta): Business at the Committee's two February meetings was reported (full report is on file with Secretary's records).  
Next meeting of the Committee: March 20, 1997.

#### **5. Announcements**

- ♦ (by David Foster, Chairman of the Task Force on Communications): Task Force is considering various communications options for the Federation, including an expanded newsletter. In hopes of obtaining viewpoints of the membership on this matter, the Task Force has prepared a survey to be distributed at this meeting. Members were urged to fill out the survey and to hand it in to Chairman Foster or to mail it to him before April 1.
- ♦ (by Bill Nolden, President): The Federation's Annual Banquet will be held April 26 at the Koran Room of the Fort Myer Officers Club. Invitations will be mailed to all delegates in late March/early April.

#### **\*\*6. Special Order: Election of Vice President.**

(To fill the vacancy caused by Larry Zaragoza's recent move out of the County -- as announced at the February meeting of the Federation.)

The following names were put into nomination from the floor: **Randy Swart** (delegate from Barcroft School and Civic League) and **David Jones** (delegate from Arlington Ridge). Tellers appointed: Henry Harper and Bill Munson. Ballots were distributed and collected.

**\*\*\*Randy Swart was elected Vice President** (60 votes were cast: Randy Swart received 38 votes; David Jones received 22 votes).

[\*The body consented subsequently to destroy the ballots.]

#### **7. Program I: The Arlington County FY 98 Budget**

(**Ed McWethy**, Chairman of the Revenues & Expenditures Committee, and **Roy Lowry**, Chairman of the Schools Committee, presented their committees' joint resolutions, provided background information, and led the discussions.)

**\*MOTION:** Moved **Special Rule #1**, that the Federation shall consider the recommendations of its Revenues and Expenditures committee regarding the Arlington County budget as a whole, and after appropriate questions and discussion, shall vote to accept or reject the committee's recommended budget without amendment. Should the recommendations of the Revenues and Expenditures Committee be voted down as a whole, the recommendations will then be considered individually, with each section open for amendment, with a final vote to be taken on the report as amended. (Note: Motion required 2/3 vote of acceptance by the body to pass.)

**\*\*\*MOTION to adopt Special Rule #1 PASSED** (46 in favor; 12 against)

\* **MOTION : Resolution on the Arlington County FY 98 budget** (as prepared by the Revenues & Expenditures and the Schools Committees of the Federation). [Full Resolution is on file with the Secretary's records.]

\*\*\***Resolution PASSED** (42 in favor; 16 opposed)

**Program II: Monopoles** (David Jones, Chairman of the ACCF Monopole Task Force reported to the membership on a consultant's work commissioned by the American Planning Association, the National Association of Counties, and the American Public Works Association that provided additional information on the Telecommunications Act of 1996. With this new information, the Task Force expressed the belief that the proposed guidelines for erection of monopoles on County property have had insufficient citizen participation and inadequate County staff review.)

\***MOTION** (by the Monopole Task Force): **Resolution** that the County Board defer consideration of the "Interim Guidelines for Placement of Telecommunication Facilities on County-Owned Properties" at its March 8 and all subsequent meetings; and that the Board establish a citizen-based commission on the Telecommunications Act of 1996 to review, craft, and advise the Board on the Act and as the Act is amplified by the document "A County and Local Officials Guide to the Telecommunications Act of 1996" prepared by Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C. for American Planning Association, National Association of Counties and American Public Works Association. [Full text of the Resolution and the consultant's Guide are on file with the Secretary's records.]

\*\*\***Resolution PASSED** (voice vote)

(Note: It was agreed that the President will designate someone to speak to the County Board about the above resolution.)

8. With no additional business, the **meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.**

  
Tommye Morton, Secretary

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_