

Arlington County Civic Federation

John T. Hazel Auditorium, Arlington Hospital

Minutes - October 6, 1998

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:33PM.
2. The prepared and distributed agenda was approved.
3. The minutes of the June 2, 1998 (as amended) and September 1, 1998 meetings were approved.
4. The Treasurer reported a balance of \$4,304.31; 49 member organizations have paid their dues (two memberships paid at the meeting and two checks written). Associations have been slow in reporting their Delegates and Alternates.
5. Executive Committee: In the absence of both Jim Pebley and Rebecca Gray, Randy Swart gave a brief overview of the last Executive Committee meeting; mostly planning for this and the November meetings. He reminded members that future Executive Committee meeting would be held the second Wednesday of the month at 8PM at the Chamber of Commerce Building.
6. Announcements: a) Alan Sinsheimer gave an overview of his handout on the October 9, 1998 rally for Michael Maloney at the Courthouse; b) Nancy Graham, Chair of the Legislative Committee, reminded attendees that the draft legislative package was available. As per the last Newsletter, the Committee has a draft rule to limit debate at the November meeting to amendments previously submitted to the Committee. After debate, the rule to limit debate was accepted by voice vote.
7. Membership Committee. Frances Finta reported the Committee's recommendation to accept the application of the West Glebe Road Civic Association. After discussion a motion to postpone consideration of the application until the November Federation meeting was approved.
8. Program #1: Ballot Items:
 - A. Robert Atkins, Chair of the Revenues and Expenditures Committee, reviewed the four bond issues; a five-page handout was discussed. A motion from the floor for the Federation to vote to indicate its support or non-support of the bonds was defeated by voice vote.
 - B. Nancy Graham, Chair of the Legislative Committee, reviewed the five proposed constitutional amendments. A motion from the floor for the Federation to vote its support or non-support of the amendments failed on an 11 to 22 vote.
9. Program #2: The Y2K Problem:
 - Presentations by: 1) Jay Golter of the Northern Virginia Y2K Community Action Group (a slide show), and 2) Wanda Gibson, the Acting Director of the Office of Technology and Information Services (OTIS) for Arlington County. Ms. Gibson noted that Arlington County was one of the governmental leaders in the region (and the Country) in resolving its Y2K problems although earlier estimated costs are increasing. Mr. Golter volunteered speakers from his group for Federation member meetings. There was a lively question and answer period.
10. There was no Old Business. There was no New Business.
11. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:31PM by President Swart.

Recorded by Robert G. Atkins, Acting Secretary

Date Approved: _____