Arlington County Civic Federation

John T. Hazel Auditorium, Arlington Hospital

Minutes - November 10, 1998

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM.
- 2. The agenda as prepared was approved.
- 3. The minutes of the October 6, 1998 meetings were approved.
- 4. The Treasurer reported a balance of \$4,227.94. In addition, she reported the dues of 52 of 70 organization are current. The Treasurer's report was approved.
- 5. <u>Executive Committee</u>: Jim Pebley provided an overview of the October Executive Committee meeting. He also noted the importance of the upcoming meetings of TRACON.
- 6. <u>Announcements</u>: Randy Swart announced a sustainability symposium that will be held at Central Library. Other announcements included the name changes of two civic associations, i.e., Stonewall Jackson is now Bluemont Park and New Arlington Douglas Park is now Douglas Park.
- 7. Membership Committee. The applications of the West Glebe Civic Association (formerly the Glebe Woods Civic Association) and the Soroptimists Club were approved unanimously. A general discussion of membership then ensued, focusing primarily on the eligibility parameters (e.g., civic association vis a vis service and other non-profit organizations) for membership in the Federation. Bob Nestor moved, and Tim Wise seconded, a motion that the Membership Committee review the Federation's policy on eligibility for membership. Bob Rackmales suggested that the proper place for such a review be the By-Laws Committee. Randy then said it should first go to Membership and then to By-Laws. Jean Mostrom, Parliamentarian, noted that while Membership can study the issue, they cannot do anything until the organization by-laws are changed.
- 8. Program. 1999 Legislative Package. There was a brief discussion of each item in the package. Delegates voted against adopting the resolution in the package concerning dropout prevention with a vote of some yeas but mostly nos. After much discussion regarding whether to adopt the package as a whole, delegates voted 39-10 to close debate. The subsequent vote to accept the entire package as amended passed with some yeas but mostly nos. As previously agreed, resolutions not considered by the Legislative Committee were considered. Gregory Carbone then proposed adding a resolution to the package regarding an AIDS policy. After discussion, delegates voted against inclusion of the resolution with more neas than yeas. John Antonelli then presented a package of legislative items. After discussion on whether to consider Mr. Antonelli's legislative proposals item-by-item or as a whole, delegates voted 34-10 to consider the proposals as a package. The proposals were eventually referred to the Legislative Committee for their consideration in the following year's legislative package.
- 9. There was no Old Business. There was no New Business.
- 10. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:31PM by President Swart.

| | Recorded by Timothy Wise, Secretary |
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| Date Approved: | |