

**Approved Minutes June 5, 2018
ACCF Membership Meeting**

Call to Order: Federation President Banks noted the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. President Banks led the meeting in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting's agenda was approved as submitted and the May 1, 2018 Membership Meeting Minutes were approved as amended.

September 2018 Membership Meeting: President Banks announced that the September 4, 2018 Membership Meeting will be held in in the Hazel Auditorium at the Virginia Hospital Center. The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM. The meeting's highlights will include the Candidates Forum and a 2018 WMATA Presentation with Emeka Monome and Christian Dorsey.

Treasurer's Report: President Banks announced on behalf of Treasurer Sarah Shortall that the May Treasurer's report was available on the back page of the draft minutes of the May Membership Meeting. The balances in the Federation's checking account was \$10,723.52 and its saving account was \$16,148.92 as of May 31, 2018.

Member Organizations All-Stars: President Banks announced that the following member organizations had two or more delegates and/or alternates present at the May Membership Meeting: Arlington Gay and Lesbian Alliance; Ashton Heights Civic Association; Bluemont Civic Association; Columbia Heights Civic Association; Douglas Park Civic Association; League of Women Voters; Lyon Village Citizens Association; Nauck Civic Association; Waverly Hills Civic Association; Woman's Club of Arlington; Yorktown Civic Association.

100% Attendance All Stars: President Banks announced that the following member organizations have had representatives at every Membership Meeting since September 2017: Arlington Educational Association, Arlington Ridge Civic Association, Barcroft School & Civic League, Bluemont Civic Association, Boulevard Manor Civic Association, Clarendon-Courthouse Civic Association, Colonial Village III Condominium, Columbia Heights Civic Association, Douglas Park Civic Association, Dover-Crystal Civic Association, League of Women Voters, Maywood Civic Association, North Rosslyn Civic Association, Waverly Hills Civic Association, and the Yorktown Civic Association.

Career Center Video Recording of this Meeting: President Banks thanked Career Center students Seb Duall and Christian Porter; Career Center TV production teacher assistant Bryan Kaplan; and Career Center instructor Tom O'Day for making a video recording of this Federation meeting.

Membership Meeting Date Change: President Banks informed delegates that the Virginia Hospital Center had been notified that beginning in September 2019 CivFed's meeting date will be the third Tuesday of the month. He reminded delegates that this change was approved at the May Membership meeting, and it will help minimize conflicts with several PTAs and hopefully will increase to more diversity and involvement of parents with kids in APS.

June Executive Meeting: President Banks announced that the June Executive Committee Meeting would be held at 6:30 PM on June 10 at Fire Station 2, 4805 Wilson Blvd.

Special Guests- Alexandria Federation of Civic Associations: President Banks welcomed and introduced representatives of the Alexandria Federation of Civic Associations among which were Pete Benavage, Rebecca Hierholzer, and Jeff Lipsky.

Departing Executive Committee Members: President Banks announced that Eric Berkey, Anya Gan, Dennis Gerrity and Terri Prell will be leaving the Executive Committee at the end of the month. He thanked them for their service. He also announced that Martha Moore informed him that she will be stepping down as Chair of the P&Z Committee as of next year. President Banks thanked Martha for her many years of service to CivFed and Arlington County.

Legislative Panel: Delegate Patrick Hope (47th District), Delegate Alfonso Lopez (49th District), and Delegate Rip Sullivan (48th District) gave brief presentations and then answered questions from delegates and alternates on the following topics: anti-immigration legislation; approval of the ERA amendment; individual healthcare market; predatory towing; tenant friendly legislation; Arlington County Police Department recruiting issues; NVTA funding; Dillon Rule; consulting work for private prisons; restrictions on gifts to legislators; growth in Northern Virginia; nonpartisan redistribution; solving big

problems instead of fighting over who picks up the tab; regional cooperation on improving connectivity of public transportation systems; agricultural runoff and Chesapeake Bay pollution.

Incorporation and Bylaws: Vice President Matt Wavro, gave an overview on CivFed’s incorporation under Virginia’s Nonstock Corporation Act. He discussed the next steps in the incorporation process. President Banks and Bylaws Committee Chair Sarah Shortall Delegates provided additional comments on incorporation and new bylaws. Comments and questions from delegates and alternates included: Incorporating the Civic Federation amounted to registering with the government after one hundred years of existence as private organization. Why? What constituted quorum; Could CivFed’s incorporation documents and new bylaws be used as templates for member organizations? Was membership under the new bylaws equivalent to delegates under the old bylaws? Where will the principal office of the newly incorporated Civic Federation be located? Will discussions with the Arlington County Board on liability insurance for individual civic associations continue after incorporation? A motion to split the question on incorporation and new bylaws was approved by unanimous consent. A motion effective July 1, 2018 to approve incorporation of the Arlington County Civic Federation was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 41 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions. A motion effective July 1, 2018 to approve new bylaws for the Arlington County Civic Federation was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 44 ayes, 0 nays, and 1 abstention.

Election of Officers and Executive Committee Members: Sarah Shortall presented the Nominating Committee’s report and its proposed slate of candidates for 2018-2019 Officers and Executive Committee Members:

- Officers
 - President - Duke Banks (Waverly Hills Civic Association)
 - Vice President - Nicole Merlene (North Rosslyn Civic Association)
 - Secretary - Maureen Coffey (Ballston-Virginia Square resident) (New)
 - Treasurer - Sarah Shortall (Waverly Hills Civic Association)
- At-Large Members
 - Alexandra Bocian (John M Langston Civic Association) (New)
 - Rick Epstein (Friends of Arlington Parks)
 - Lois Koontz (Alcova Heights Civic Association) (Returning)
 - Matt Wavro (Arlington Heights Civic Association)
 - Edie Wilson (Shirlington Civic Association) (New)

Ms. Shortall’s motion to approve the Nominating Committee’s slate of candidates was approved by unanimous consent

R&E Savings Resolution: Burt Bostwick, a delegate representing the Old Glebe Civic Association and a member of the Revenues and Expenditures Committee and Suzanne Sundburg, a delegate representing the Organized Women Voters of Arlington and a member of the Revenues and Expenditures Committee, gave a report on a Budget Savings & Efficiencies Resolution for FY2020 prepared by the Revenues & Expenditures Committee based a warning recently issued by the County Manager that that future budgets would be subject to pressures to increase revenues and/or decrease programs and services. This resolution states in relevant part that the *Arlington County Civic Federation encourages the Arlington County Board, County Manager and staff to improve revenue streams and examine and identify savings and efficiencies in the County budget by 1) offering incentives to staff to identify such measures, 2) increasing resources to the County Board’s Auditor, 3) improving and enhancing Open Data portal to deliver information more rapidly and efficiently and 4) through a process of community engagement.*

A motion to approve R&E’s Budget Savings & Efficiencies for FY2020 Resolution was approved by a vote of 33 ayes, 0 nays, and 3 abstentions.

Community Announcements

Police Department Changes: As part of the recent budget cuts and other factors in the county, the Arlington County Police Department announced significant reduction in sworn personnel. Many of us bring in the police force for routine and emergency community meetings. These events will be curtailed to full cancellation of well-loved events, such as the block party in August. Misdemeanor crimes and traffic enforcement details also are reduced. No change to the 13 School Resource Officers (SRO). However, fewer ACPD staff will attend SRO and school related events.

To report a crime, an immediate parking/traffic hazard or suspicious behavior, contact the Emergency Communication Center at 703-558-2222 or 911 in an emergency. To address a community policing issue, contact the Community Outreach Unit. The Community Outreach Unit covers 2 north and south geographic areas, rather than the 3 districts we contacted in the past. To contact the team email

ACPDOutreachNorth@arlingtonva.us

ACPDOutreachSouth@arlingtonva.us

For traffic safety concerns throughout the County, contact ACPDSOS@arlingtonva.us

To receive updates, <https://police.arlingtonva.us/subscribe/>

For full details on the restructuring and impacts, refer to <https://police.arlingtonva.us/restructure/>. You can also see a video with Chief of Police, Jay Farr discussing the changes with members of the Chief's Advisory Committee. Participants include Dr. Alfred Taylor, Nauck Neighborhood Association; Andres Tobar, Arlington County Crime Solvers; Julius D. Spain, NCAAP; and Stef Pryor, Arlington County Civic Federation.

Tenant-Landlord Commission: The Tenant-Landlord Commission meets at 7:00 PM on June 13, 2018 in the Azalea Room at 2100 Clarendon Blvd. Comprised of tenant, landlord and public interest representatives the commission hears grievances and facilitates disputes between tenants and landlords and advises the County Board on policy and programs. Public comment is welcome.

Columbia Pike Blues Festival: The Columbia Pike Blues Festival will be held from 1pm to 8:30pm on Saturday, June 16 on Walter Reed Drive between 9th St and Columbia Pike. Free to the public. Twenty-third year of great music.

NCAC: The Neighborhood Conservation Advisory will meet from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm on Thursday, June 14, in the Navy League Building at 2300 Wilson Blvd. For information about this meeting here is a link to the NCAC website.

Transportation Commission: The Transportation Commission's June meeting will be held on Thursday, June 28, starting 7:30 p.m. in Room 307 at 2100 Clarendon Boulevard. Click here for this meeting's agenda.

Planning Commission: The Planning Commission's June meeting will be held on Monday, June 4, starting 7:00 p.m. in Room 307 at 2100 Clarendon Blvd. Click here for this meeting's agenda a few days before June 4.

Housing Commission: The Housing Commission's February meeting will be held on Thursday, June 7 starting 7:00 p.m. in Room 311 at 2100 Clarendon Boulevard. Click here for information on this meeting's agenda.

Arlington County Board: The County Board's April meeting will be held on Saturday, June 16, starting 8:30 a.m. Click here for this meeting's agenda a few days before June 16 The Board Recessed Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 19, starting at 3:00 p.m.

Parks and Recreation Commission: The Parks and Recreation Commission will hold a meeting starting at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, June 26, in the Azalea Room in 2100 Clarendon Blvd. Click here for this meeting's agenda a few days before June 26.

June Executive Committee Meeting: The CivFed June Executive Committee Meeting will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 on Sunday, June 10, in the community room of Fire Station 2 located at 4805 Wilson Blvd. Committee chairs, delegates and alternates are welcome to attend.

FY 2019-2018 Capital Improvement Plan County Board Work Sessions:

The County Board and the County Manger will have work sessions on the FY 2019-2018 Capital Improvement Plan Budget from 3:00 to 6:00 PM on June 12 and June 26. There will be a Public Hearing on the CIP beginning at 7:00 Pm on June 27. A wrap up/markup scheduled from 3:00 to 5:00 PM on July 10. These meetings will be held in the County Board Room of the Court House Plaza building (2100 Clarendon Blvd. in room 307). Here is a link to work sessions and meetings on the FY 2019-2018 Capital Improvement Plan Budget on June 12, 26, 27 and July 10.

Old Business

North Highlands Annexation; Stephanie Pryor, Chair the Membership Committee, gave a report on a request from the North Highlands Civic Association for a boundary change. Ms. Pryor said that the Membership Committee had reviewed this boundary request and recommended that delegates approve it, which they did by unanimous consent.

New Business: None,

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Dennis Gerrity, Secretary