

DECEMBER 2018 ACCF MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

President Duke Banks called the meeting to order at 7 pm. President Banks recognized the November All-Star organizations, and reminded organizations that needed to complete their membership forms and pay their dues by December 31st. President Banks also thanked the career center for filming the meeting.

The agenda was passed unanimously. The November minutes and treasurer report were also approved unanimously.

President Banks recognized the two new committee chairs: Tina Worden, Cultural Affairs Committee; and Sandy Newton, Banquet Committee. He also encouraged participation from all delegates and alternates in volunteering and committees.

President Banks reported on the budget that was passed in the November Board of Directors meeting.

The formation of the Award Committee was started with one member, with the Board of Directors planning to recruit four additional members to complete the committee.

Amazon: Just the Facts Panel

- Victor Hoskins (Arlington Economic Development) and Stephen Morlet (Virginia Economic Development) made a presentation on the Amazon deal.
- Topics of questions from delegates and alternates included: incentives and how it changes with HQ2 being split with New York; the timeline for metro developments and the yellow line closure; the presence of residential housing in the Crystal City area; the distribution between Arlington and Alexandria; fixes to Route 1; affordable housing; pre-school and daycare; overcrowding in public schools; and the distribution of wages around the \$150,000 median.

Panel with Mark Schwartz (County Manager) and Patrick Murphy (APS Superintendent)

- Topics of questions from delegates and alternates included: FOIA requests from the county; county staff as an area to save money in the budget; budget gaps within both the county and APS; continuing education for athletic coaches; the tangible business tax; school resource officers; access to technology in schools; ART service and performance; legislative priorities to make Arlington easier to govern; costs related to the one-to-one policy; cuts to the Parks and Recreation Department; and differences between the Independent City and County tax structure.

Open Mic

- Topics brought up by delegates/alternates included ranked choice voting when voting for in Civic Federation Board of Directors elections; the difficult elementary school redistricting; a call to delegates to join committees; and how to make the Federation's committees more well-known.

Old Business

- The resolution on the decriminalization of marijuana will be considered at the February meeting.
- The resolution concerning the “POPS” plan will be considered at the special meeting on January 8th, 2019.

New Business

- The Federation will meeting on January 2nd in the County Board Room after their meeting.
- There will be a special meeting on January 8th, at 7 pm at Virginia Hospital Center. Topics will include a panel on Amazon with different viewpoints and discussion of, and a vote on the resolution concerning the “POPS” plan.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:30 pm.