

# Arlington County Civic Federation

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## **MEETING**

- Arlington County Civic Federation, General Membership Meeting, 4/11/2023 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
- Hybrid meeting held in-person at the VHC Hazel Auditorium and virtually via Zoom, called via email invitation.

## **ATTENDANCE**

- In-Person: Member delegates checked in and were provided voting cards
- Zoom: Member delegates registered in-advance, and were recorded via Zoom

## **CALL TO ORDER (John Ford)**

- Called to order at 7:00 p.m. with quorum met with 1/10th of member delegates (required 26, had 80+)
- Moment of silence in honor of our Country, Pledge of Allegiance

## **COUNTY BOARD CANDIDATES PANEL (John Ford)**

- A panel was held for 80 minutes. Each candidate gave a 3-minute opening which was then followed by questions submitted by members and then questions from delegates in the meeting. Each candidate provided a 2-minute closing. Candidates included:
  - Audrey Clement (Independent)
  - Maureen Coffee (Democrat)
  - Susan Cunningham (Democrat)
  - Jonathan Dromgoole (Democrat)
  - Natalie Roy (Democrat)
  - JD Spain (Democrat)
  - Tony Weaver (Democrat)
- Questions to the candidates included the following topics:
  - Commercial property vacancy rate
  - Steps to heal divisions between county residents
  - Missing Middle (too broad?, too narrow?, just right?)
  - Public's Confidence Resolution (what did you disagree with?)

## **SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES PANEL (John Ford)**

- A panel was held for 30 minutes. Each candidate gave a 3-minute opening which was then followed by prepared questions by John Ford and then questions from the delegates. Each candidate provided a 2-minute closing. Candidates included:
  - Angelo Cocchiaro



- Miranda Turner
- Questions to the panelists included the following topics:
  - Boundary changes (approach and differences from current board)
  - Toxic culture teachers are exposed to, mental health, resources for students
  - Passing rate on placement exams (appears to be falling)
  - Budgeting for field trips

**MARCH MINUTES (John Ford)**

- **A motion was made to vote to approve the March minutes**, the motion was moved, and seconded. A vote was called on the motion. The validated results are below.

Motion: March Minutes				
	yes	no	abstain	Total
<b>Zoom</b>	16	0	2	18
<b>In-Room</b>	20	0	0	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	36	0	2	38
100.0%				Pass

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE (John Ford)**

- John informed the members that changes were being requested for the nominating committee. Changes highlighted below.
  - Adam Henderson (Chair, Pike Presidents’ Group; ACCF Bylaws Committee Chair)
  - David Smith (ACCF Secretary, Bluemont CA Treasurer)
  - ~~Jim Todd (ACCF Treasurer, Cherrydale CA President) - remove~~
  - Kathleen Trainor (Highland Park-Overlee Knolls CA President)
  - ~~Ron Haddox (ACCF Vice President-) - remove~~
  - Anne Bodine (ACCF Housing Committee Co-Chair, Delegate from Arlington Tree Action Group)
  - Edith Wilson (Shirlington CA President) - add
- **A motion was made to vote on the changes to the nominating committee**, the motion was moved, and seconded. A vote was called on the motion. The validated results are below.

Motion: Nominating Committee Update				
	yes	no	abstain	Total
<b>Zoom</b>	18	1	1	20

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In-Room	18	0	0	18
TOTAL	36	1	1	38
97.3%				Pass

**ACTIONS**

- None

**ADJOURNMENT** – 9:15 p.m.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and approved by acclamation.

Meeting Video Link: [Arlington Cty Civic Fed \[ACCF\] \(vimeo.com\)](#)

Submitted by: David R. Smith, Secretary 4/15/2023