

FAIRFAX FEDERATION
BOARD MINUTES
JUNE 27, 2002

Attendees:

Sally Ormsby, Jean Packard, Art Wells, Dolores Moseke, Wade Smith, Bill Hanks, Mary Anne Lecos, Charlie Dane, Ray Steele, Carol Hawn

Call to Order: 7:30 p.m.

Opening Comments: Art commended the June 20 membership meeting for its good attendance, productivity, and constructive discussion.

During a radio interview, Governor Warner noted the Federation support of the sales tax referendum. A press release will be prepared for distribution to the Post (Fairfax Weekly), Times, South County Chronicle, Connection. In addition, the resolution will be sent to the BOS, Governor, Lt. Governor, and Fairfax delegation to the General Assembly.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the May board meeting as circulated and amended were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Charlie noted a change from the report at the Membership meeting. The money sent by mistake for domain registry was returned. Five new memberships resulted from the postcards and the forms distributed at the Membership meeting.

Audit Committee: Art will ask Tom Stanners to chair the committee for presentation of a report by December.

Important Dates: Jean will reconfirm the availability of space for meetings.

Wed, July 17	Board meeting Focus on Policy and Procedures Manual
August 8, 2002	Board meeting.
August 22, 2002	Board meeting,
August 30, 2002	Deadline for input to Susan for Bulletin
September 5, 2002	Bulletin mailed after review of final draft by Art and Jean. Charlie will check with Franco re delivery to Merrifield.
September 19, 2002	Membership meeting -- Referendum Questions (Sally will report on July 17.) 2 Constitutional amendments 2 Local bond referenda (parks and courthouse) 2 State bond referenda (parks and higher ed facilities) 1 Regional referendum on sales tax for transportation (Possible links from Fed website to agency websites?)
October 17	Membership meeting -- Legislative Program (Sally will organize Committee)

Tentative dates and events for 2002-2003 (Need to be confirmed.)

- January meetings will be scheduled around the release of the school budget and *School Board* public hearing.
- County Budget hearings usually begin on the *second Monday* in April.

- Seminar for unit leadership in early November or March. May be co-sponsor *with* County and coordinated with Cal Wagner, *Consumer Relations*. Wade will prepare proposal and sample agenda by Aug. 8.
- Awards Banquet early in April (target the 11th) at Sheraton Premiere or Fairview Park Marriott, depending on costs being negotiated by Sally. Need to engage a speaker.

Residential Development Criteria: Sally reported on the Planning Commission workshops and distributed a new draft with comments on areas of concern. Markup *scheduled for* July 24 but it might not go forward until after August recess. The Planning Commission seems to favor crediting all contributions to public facilities against what cash proffers the developer would provide for schools. Art asked Sally to draft *the* Federation position that there will be six weeks] after the final draft is published for comments from the concerned citizenry.]

Membership Drive: Wade has sent out letters and forms to potential members. Bill Hanks reported on how membership had been increased dramatically several years ago by calling each of the associations and following up with those most interested. Carol protested that she does not have time to undertake such a campaign but she will request lists from *Public Affairs*, provide labels from the OPA and her Western County contacts on a diskette. Sally described the email network *used* in Providence District. Dolores offered to consolidate lists using a software program available to her. Wade will send Carol the current and prior year lists in order to focus on those who have been members within the last five years. A second priority will be the membership lists from the District Councils. We need a good database, a letter from the President listing our accomplishments, *and* volunteers willing to call.

Board Membership: *Johna* Gagnon will not continue *on the Board* because of the Membership action on the by-laws. Wade has a good prospect for Land Use chair. Mary Anne will revise the contact list before turning it over to Dolores.

Procedures for Email: Wade proposed development of procedures for email communications *with member associations* through the web site or a listserv. Sally offered to serve as custodian of the email list. More discussion on July 17.

Attendance: Wade recommended consideration of adopting the McLean policy of keeping track of the attendance of members at meetings.

Public Hearing on Amendment to Policy Plan of the Comprehensive Plan for Open Space and Easements:

Jean announced a hearing before the Planning Commission on July 11 and BOS on August 5. She will draft a position for the July 17 meeting.

Adjournment: 10 p.m.