

# Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations

## Monthly Membership Meeting Agenda (Updated)

*Thursday, 19 February 2009 7:30 p.m.*

*The Packard Center, 4022 Hummer Road, Annandale*

**Call to Order/Welcome/Updates - Jeff Parnes, Federation President**

**Calendar:**

Month	Membership	Board	Newsletter Deadline
Feb	19 - Smart Growth (Stewart Schwartz, Executive Director, Coalition for Smarter Growth) (Jeff)	None	1 Feb
Mar	19 - County Budget Presentation (Kosmo, Charlie H & Carey)	5 - Budget Kosmo, Charlie H & Carey (1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday) 26 - If needed	8 Mar
Apr	16 - Report from Federation Appointees & Representatives (Esther) Jim Davis, Engineering Standards Review Committee; Mark Tipton, Trails and Sidewalks Committee; and Jeff Nolan, Students with Disabilities Advisory Committee (plus: update on Transportation Task Force)	23	5 Apr
May	21 - Report from Richmond (Selected Fairfax County legislators)	28	3 May
Jun	18 - Picnic - State of Fairfax by Sharon Bulova, BOS Chair	25	1 Jun

**Administrative:** *We will need a secretary to take notes tonight - any volunteers before I volunteer someone?*

**Program: Smart Growth**

Stewart Schwartz, Executive Director, Coalition for Smarter Growth

**Approval of 15 Jan 2009 Membership Meetings Minutes:** Esther

[www.fcfca.org/minutes-agenda/200901MinutesMemberDraft.pdf](http://www.fcfca.org/minutes-agenda/200901MinutesMemberDraft.pdf)

**Treasurer's Report:** Scott

**Old Business:**

- **Board vacancies - Jeff**
  - **Elected positions:** Recording & Corresponding secretaries
  - **Committee Chairs:** Human Services, and Public Safety - we may have volunteers for Land Use and Legislation
  - **Federation Board representatives:**
    - **Community Action Advisory Board (CAAB)**  
<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/caab/defaultd.htm> - if anyone who themselves would like to put themselves forward as a possible rep for this position, or who knows of someone else who might be a suitable candidate, let Esther or me know
- **Update on FCPS Administrative Consolidation proposal - Charlie**
- **Debate between Candidates for Chair of the Board of Supervisors** The Federation canceled the debate due to inclement weather

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- **COY** selection and banquet (John)
  - The event will be held March 15 at the Fairview Park Marriott located at 3111 Fairview Park Dr, Falls Church, VA 22042.
  - This year our guest speaker will be The Honorable Sharon Bulova, Chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.
  - The Federation's award committee selected Anne Andrews for our 2008 Citizen of the Year, and Linda Byrne and Christine Morin for Citation of Merit awards. (Our thanks to Sherry Zachry, Wade Smith, Marlene Blum, Bill Lecos & Charlie Dane for their excellent work on the committee.)
  - The Federation will also award a special gratitude award to former Congressman Tom Davis for his service to the county.
  - The Federation is considering a "Special President's Education Advocacy Award"
- **Mugs (Scott)**
  - I just placed an order for 144, 11 oz, Ocean Blue, Coffee Mugs with white lettering to replenish our stock. The price was \$1.32 ea. and with the artwork (Federation and web address) plus shipping and handling the total is: \$339.06, roughly \$2.35 per mug. Estimated delivery date is Feb 26th.
  - I will bring them to our March mtg.
  - They are available to our membership at a cost of \$5.00 each
- **Budget (Charlie)**
  - The attached draft letter follows-up on a board discussion last fall at which time it was agreed to send our since-adopted resolution on County real estate tax rate to the County Executive to be followed later with a similar recommendation to the BOS. This is a draft letter to BOS members.  
[www.fcfa.org/committees/Budget/ProposedLettertoBOSonRealEstateTax090218.pdf](http://www.fcfa.org/committees/Budget/ProposedLettertoBOSonRealEstateTax090218.pdf)
- **Fairfax County staff released draft plan text for Tyson's Corner (John).**

The staff made a number of changes to the recommendations in the Tyson's Corner Land Use Task Force report

### New Business:

- **"Hall of Chairmen" to be hung at the government center (John)**
  - My idea is that we have a photographer (one has offered to do this for free) to shoot an individual shot of each living former chairman & Bulova.
  - The collection could comprise a (with perhaps a very brief note of the years served and county population growth) presented by The Federation for recognition of their service to the county.
- **Fairfax Cares ([www.fairfaxcares.org](http://www.fairfaxcares.org)) (Jeff)**
  - The economic downturn has presented an unprecedented increase in requests for food, housing, medical care, and short-term financial assistance that are not able to be met because of financial constraints on the nonprofit and faith based communities. Fairfax County has enjoyed its standing as one of the most affluent counties in America which somewhat masks the hardships that so many families are enduring during this economic recession. This justifiable pride has created the belief that, since County residents are so affluent, there is no need to give to charities in my backyard. However, 2008 brought a paradigm shift in the economic reality resulting in a profound problem: these needs ARE now in our backyard. These needs are substantial and are expected to remain through 2010.

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- The other reality is that we have the capacity to come together to do something about this because as a community, Fairfax Cares.
- The objective of Fairfax Cares is to increase the capacity of our local nonprofits so that they can provide short term emergency help for more people requiring basic needs assistance (food, housing, utility assistance, and short-term financial aid).
  - Fairfax Cares is the collective efforts of leaders across non-profit, business, faith, school and government organizations to raise awareness of and community engagement to meet our neighbors' needs, by sharing this message efficiently and quickly using current technology and traditional word of mouth. Together, we know that we have the capacity to help, and we will, because Fairfax Cares!
  - The solution: Fairfax Cares - Reaching and Engaging our Community
  - We are looking for someone to volunteer to serve on the Fairfax Cares board as the Federation Representative
- **Nominating Committee (John)**
    - If interested, or if you know someone who might be, interested in serving as either President, 1st Vice President (Membership), 2nd Vice President (Board and Committee Participation), Treasurer, Recording Secretary or Corresponding Secretary please contact John

## Committee Reports:

Association Services: Donald Hinman	Budget - Carey Campbell, Charlie Hall, & Kosmo Tatalias
COY - John Jennison	Education & Youth - Charles Dane
Environment - Flint Webb	Human Services - Vacant
Land Use - Donald Hinman (temp)	Legislation - Vacant
Membership - Charlie Dane	Public Safety - Vacant
Resolutions - Bill Hanks	Transportation - Roger Hoskins
Website - Kosmo Tatalias	

## Board, Authority, Commission, and County Council Reports:

Braddock - Art Wells	Dranesville - N/A	Hunter Mill- N/A
Lee - Donald Hinman	Mason - Roger Hoskins	Mt. Vernon - Karen Pohorylo
Providence - Charlie Hall	Sully - Jeff Parnes	Springfield - Mike Thompson

## Miscellaneous Business:

- **Transportation (Jeff)**
  - Federal Stimulus Bill Summary of Authorized Transportation Funding Presentation to the Commonwealth Transportation Board made by Mary Lynn Tischer, PhD  
<http://www.sullydistrict.org/presentations/index.html>
- **Environment - Flint Webb**
  - Flint received an award for his service on the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee, Technical Advisory Committee from 2005-2008  
[www.fcfa.org/committees/Environmental/MWAQCFIntWebbAward090128.JPG](http://www.fcfa.org/committees/Environmental/MWAQCFIntWebbAward090128.JPG)

## Adjournment

### Upcoming Meetings:

**Next Board Meeting - 5 March 2009**

**Next Membership Meeting - 19 March 2009**