

## Board Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2011

Approved September 22, 2011

The August meeting of the Board of the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations was called to order by President Tania Hossain at 7:30 p.m. at the Packard Center in Annandale.

Present: Leonard Bumbaca, Carey Campbell, Fred Costello, Roger Dietrich, Jason Ha, Bill Hanks, Tania Hossain, Cherie Lejeune, Jeff Parnes, Flint Webb, Art Wells, and Ed Wyse.

### **Administrative and Organizational Topics**

#### ***2011–2012 Calendar—Tania Hossain***

President Tania Hossain announced that the final 2011 – 2012 calendar is available in the Federation's newsletter, *The Bulletin*, July 2011 issue, page 3, and on the website at <http://www.fairfaxfederation.org/calendar.htm> (or use the Calendar icon from any page on the website).

#### ***Officers and Board Vacancies and Appointments: Joe Gibson***

By unanimous vote, the board accepted the president's nomination and approved the appointment of Jason Ha as Co-chair to the Legislation Committee.

By unanimous vote, the board accepted the president's nomination and approved the appointment of Tim Thompson as the Federation's representative to the Superintendent's Business & Community Advisory Council.

By unanimous vote, the board accepted the president's nomination and approved the appointment of Tania Hossain as the Federation's representative to the Fairfax Partnership for Youth.

Tania announced that Vice President Joe Gibson plans to incorporate Federation representatives into membership programming. Our representatives will be invited to participate in meetings when the program relates to the mission of the organization where they represent us.

#### ***The Bulletin (newsletter) – Fred Costello***

The deadline for articles for the next newsletter is August 28. As always the most recently published *The Bulletin* is available at <http://www.fairfaxfederation.org/bulletin/FCFCAbulletincurrent.pdf>.

#### ***Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – Ed Wyse***

The board approved the minutes of the May and June meetings.

#### ***Treasurer's Report – Scott Schlegel***

The board voted to receive and file the treasurer's report.

### **Old Business**

The Federation's revised Policies and Procedures, approved in April 2011, are now posted on the Federation's website at <http://www.fairfaxfederation.org/bylaws/P&PRevisedApproved20110428.pdf>. Tania asked board members to review it and be familiar with its provisions.

Providence Supervisor Linda Smyth recognized the 2010 Citizen of the Year Banquet in her newsletter, *The Providence Report*, Fall 2011. The newsletter is available at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/providence/doc/news17final.pdf>.

### **New Business**

#### ***Audit Committee Report – Bill Hanks***

Bill presented the audit committee's report of financial records on July 19, 2011; the committee agrees with the treasurer's statement of the July 1, 2010, prior balance, income and expenditures since, and current balance. Committee members were Bill, Charles Dane, and Art Wells. Per the Policies and Procedures, the committee shall present its report at the regular meeting in September.

**Second Authorized Check Signer—Tania Hossain**

Per the Policies and Procedures, “The TREASURER shall designate, with approval of the PRESIDENT, one other Officer to be a bank account signatory authorized to make disbursements in the absence of the Treasurer. When a payee is one of the two authorized check signers, the check shall be signed by the other authorized signer.” Jeff Parnes has been designated as the second authorized check signer.

**Board & Committee Reports**

**Budget—Carey Campbell and Charlie Hall**

The county’s actual revenues are exceeding the forecasted revenue. The Board of Supervisors (BOS) is to decide in early September how to allocate the unexpected additional revenue. The Federation board addressed whether to make recommendations to the BOS. The Federation board decided that the Federation’s 2012 Budget Resolution provides our position.

**Citizen Association Services—Don Hinman**

Tania reported that Don has been visiting citizens associations to see how the Federation can best assist them.

Jeff reported that a proposed bill in the General Assembly would require homeowner association officers to undertake ethics training.

**Citizen of the Year—Jeff Parnes**

Citizen of the Year nominations will be accepted starting December 1, 2011.

The March 25, 2012, banquet will be at the Crowne Plaza Tysons Corner as in 2011, at the same rates as in 2011.

**Education—Leonard Bumbaca, Ed Saperstein, & Tim Thompson—no report**

**Environment—Flint Webb**

Pending events:

- Electronic Sunday: August 28 at the I-66 Transfer Station and September 25 at the I-95 Complex
- Green Building workshop on revision of Fairfax County’s Green Building Policy: September 6
- Air & Waste Management Association Networking Meeting: September 15 at GMU—Arlington. The subject will be the Fairfax County inventory.

The environmental committee proposes specific revisions to the Green Building Policy. After discussion, the Board decided to move on this committee proposal. Further editing will take place offline and the Environmental Committee will present the proposal to the membership at the September 15 meeting for submission to the BOS public hearing scheduled in October.

Tania noted that the Federation’s September program is the environment.

**Human Services—Cherie Lejeune**

Tania announced that Steve Gurney, founder of the [Guide to Retirement Living SourceBook](#), will present at the Federation’s October membership meeting.

Cherie described an evolution of her plan for emergency needs/resources collection/sharing.

**Land Use—Fred Costello**

The first rezoning for the Comprehensive Plan for Tysons is underway.

Meetings will be held in Reston on September 1 and 8 regarding rezoning. The county is moving toward a high jobs-to-residences ratio along the Dulles corridor. More traffic will result. This is not what Reston’s citizens had recommended.

**Legislation—Frank Anderson**

Board members were asked to review the Federation's 2011 legislative agenda and provide updates to the committee, including removing, adding and revising agenda items. The legislative agenda was distributed with the agenda and is available on the Federation's website.

Flint suggested that the format could better identify to whom recommendations are addressed: Commonwealth or Federal legislators. There was much discussion; the matter was referred to the committee for consideration.

This was the first board meeting for Jason Ha, the newly appointed committee co-chair.

**Membership—Don Hinman and Charlie Dane**

To date, 2011-2012 Membership dues have been received from the following organizations:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chantilly Highlands Homes Association</li><li>• Civic Association of West Springfield Village</li><li>• Colvin Glen Citizens Association</li><li>• Country Club View Civic Association</li><li>• Greenbriar Civic Association</li><li>• Hayfield Citizens Association</li><li>• Holmes Run Acres Civic Association</li><li>• Huntington Grove HOA</li><li>• Innisfree Community Association</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lafayette Village Community Association</li><li>• McLean Hamlet Citizens Association</li><li>• Montebello Condominium Unit Owners Association</li><li>• Stone Haven Civic Association</li><li>• Truro Homes Association</li><li>• Walnut Hill HOA</li><li>• Waynewood Citizens Association</li></ul> |
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Don Hinman has the master list of members and will solicit the help of our district council representatives in recruiting new members. The membership committee is a new element of the Federation's organizational structure. Maha Mokadem has been invited to join the committee.

**Nominating—Jeff Parnes**

The Past President heads the nomination committee which is to be composed of two district representatives and two member organization representatives. If you would like to serve on the nomination committee (it's never too early to volunteer) please contact Jeff Parnes.

**Public Safety—As'ad Hess-Linckost**

The Public Safety committee's portion of the Federation's website has been updated and is at <http://www.fairfaxfederation.org/publicsafety1.htm>.

**Resolutions and Policies and Procedures (P&P)—Bill Hanks—no report**

**Transportation—Carey Campbell, Roger Hoskins, and Jeff**

New Transportation presentations of interest to Federation members have been posted to the Transportation page, including recent status reports on the I-495 & I 95 HOT lanes and on the Dulles Metrorail project. (<http://www.fairfaxfederation.org/transportation1.htm>) Jeff described the situation regarding financing for phase II of Metrorail to Dulles/Loudoun County and the situation regarding transportation at the Mark Center in Alexandria.

Bill Hanks reported that the George Mason University Bypass project (allowing cross-campus travel across Ox Road without using the intersection at Braddock Road) is being accomplished without the use of county funds.

Federation members who would like to join the transportation committee mailing list or the committee itself should contact the transportation committee chair at [FedTransportationChr2012@fairfaxfederation.org](mailto:FedTransportationChr2012@fairfaxfederation.org)

**Website—Jeff Parnes**

Pictures from past years' Citizen of the Year Awards dinners, picnics, and other activities have been added to our picture gallery. Anyone who can name an unidentified person in the photos should contact the webmaster with the information at <mailto:fedwebmaster2012@fairfaxfederation.org>.

Kosmo is reformatting the pages. Recently updated pages, such as Transportation and Public Safety, reflect the new format.

Committee chairs and district representatives should look at their pages and submit updates. Pages are found at <http://www.fairfaxfederation.org/index.htm>.

Those who wish to contact the webmaster should use the e-mail address [fedwebmaster2012@fairfaxfederation.org](mailto:fedwebmaster2012@fairfaxfederation.org) instead of using a personal e-mail address for Jeff or Kosmo. Both Jeff and Kosmo receive e-mails that are addressed to the webmaster; this insures that action will be taken promptly even if one of the two is not available.

### **District Council Reports**

*Seven supervisor districts have councils of citizens associations; Dranesville & Hunter Mill districts do not.*

**Braddock**—Art Wells

The Braddock District Council's (BDC) next meeting is September 14. The BDC will plan its role in the 2011-2012 Area Plans Review Retrospective and the 2013-2014 North County Area Plan Review.

**Lee**—Don Hinman—no report

**Mason**—Keith Taggart—no report

**Mount Vernon**—Karen Pohorylo—no report

**Providence**—Flint Webb—no report

**Springfield**—Mike Thompson—no report

**Sully**—Jeff Parnes—no report

After three meetings of the boards of the Sully District Council of Citizens Associations (SDCCA) and the Western Fairfax County Citizens Association (WFCCA) to explore merging the two organizations, the WFCCA board expressed a preference to remain unaffiliated and the prospects for a merger seem nil.

The SDCCA board met on August 24 to plan the remaining schedule for 2011-2012 and finalize its membership drive. The schedule for September – November is:

- Sep 29th - Legislative candidates' night—all candidates from the five delegate and five senatorial districts have been invited. (The meeting was moved from its usual 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month to the following Thursday due to conflict with the Jewish New Year.)
- Oct 26th - Sully candidates' night—all candidates for Sully Supervisor and School Board representative have been invited
- Nov 16th - Loudoun County Department of Planning to talk about development along Routes 28 and 29 and Dulles Rail.

**Adjournment**—The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

### **Next Meetings**

The membership meeting will be September 15, 7:30 p.m. in the Packard Center, Annandale. The program topic is environmental related.

The next board meeting will be September 22, 7:30 p.m. in the Packard Center, Annandale. The board will prepare to build the legislative agenda.

Minutes prepared by Ed Wyse, Recording Secretary