

**Fairlington Citizens Association
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
North Fairlington Community Center
3005 S Abingdon Street
June 10, 2015, as approved**

Board Members Present

President Guy Land
Vice President Kent Duffy
Director Jonathan Ansley (newly elected)
Director Gretchen Fallon
Director Joe Hartman
Director Mark Jones
Director Chris Weathers

Members Absent

Secretary Carol Dabbs
Treasurer Ed Hilz

Special Presentation –Alice Burton, Chief of Animal Control for AWLA (Animal Welfare League of Arlington), discussed AWLA’s role in doggone situations.

Call to Order

The Executive Board meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. President Land noted that a quorum was present.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Approval of Agenda

There was unanimous consent to approve the agenda distributed by President Land, as there was to take items out of order.

Approval of Minutes

Secretary Dabbs circulated a draft of the May minutes prior to the meeting. These minutes were unanimously approved by the directors present.

Election of Director

Jonathan Ansley and Margaret Shannon introduced themselves to the Board. Katherine Hansen, Julie Pryor, and Charlie Roe also expressed interest but could not attend the meeting. They did

provide details on themselves via email. The first ballot of the Board did not produce a candidate with a majority vote. So, a runoff was needed for majority of executive board. Jonathan Ansley was the winner by a vote of 6-0. Director Ansley then joined the Executive Board Meeting. VP Duffy noted that it was great to see so much interest in Board positions, and that such interest bodes well for the December elections.

STEM Preschool Expansion

Portia Moore, owner, briefed us on the proposed expansion of the preschool. The facility has already reached full enrollment with 33 existing students. With expansion, there could be 60 total. Director Hartman noted that there had been no complaints of traffic, parking, etc. and that the Fairlington Court considered the school to be a good neighbor. President Land moved that FCA indicate to the County Board as part of the Use Permit process our support for the STEM expansion. VP Duffy seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Officer Reports

President—

None.

Vice President--

There was a Facebook suggestion that FCA should spearhead a neighborhood-wide email communication network, to quickly disseminate urgent issues. This was viewed as logistically challenging. Director Fallon suggested that we instead recommend to the Condo Associations that they cross-post any emails to the Facebook page. VP Duffy agreed to take the action to bring this to the attention of the Condo Association presidents.

Arlington Cable office reports Verizon reports they will meet FIOS goals for Arlington by June 2016, but completion in multi-unit developments may lag as Verizon negotiates with individual associations. Director Hartman provided an update on Verizon's contacts with Fairlington Court.

The RV parked on Quaker Lane continues to be a concern; the primary infringement seems to be the lack of an Arlington County decal since it's been parked in the County overnight for more than 30 days.

Treasurer—

The monthly financial report was sent to the Executive Board by email on June 18th after Treasurer Hilz returned from his overseas trip.

Secretary--
Absent

Other Reports

Fairlington Farmers Market

Vendors seem OK; unaware of any major complaints. Mix of walking and driving seems workable. VP Duffy noted his vegetable intake is way up.

Abingdon Elementary expansion and renovation

President Land noted that the APS Gallery Walk is scheduled for June 23rd, to see the design, talk with the design team, and for Q/A. The locations to which commemorative trees will be moved remain TBD but Treasurer Hilz is active on the issue. President Land will update us on construction staging at a later date.

Community Facilities Study

Director Fallon noted that was no update tonight. President Land noted that APS had requested a Fairlington liaison on school capacity issues.

Fairlington 5K

Update postponed.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

Fourth of July Parade

FCA will provide the customary donation of \$600 to Fairlington Villages. The motion passed with six in favor; VP Duffy abstained. It was noted that a t-shirt sale lead needed; Director Ansley volunteered.

Home improvement workshop –

President Land introduced the idea of an FCA-sponsored home improvement workshop, given extensive neighborhood interest in renovations. The event would take place on a Saturday, with tables for contractors, realtors, etc., and speakers in separate rooms. Director Fallon noted a similar expo event that is held annually at the Arlington County Trades Center. Timing could be good for a February event, given pre-spring planning. There was discussion of hiring a program manager for workshop.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded, and passed at 9:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Kent Duffy, VP, Acting Secretary