

**Fairlington Citizens Association
Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

Fairlington Community Center
3308 South Stafford Street
Arlington, Virginia
March 12, 2014, as approved

Board Members Present:

President Guy Land
Vice President Kent Duffy—arrived 8:26pm.
Secretary Carol Dabbs
Treasurer Ed Hilz
Director Mark Jones
Director Bill Russell
Director Lisa Schwanger
Director Carrie Street

Board Members Absent:

Director Joe Hartman

Information Update,

Special Presentation –

- Bob Garbacz, Transportation Division Chief, Alexandria Department of Transportation and Environmental Services;
- Lisa Jaatinen, Project Manager, Alexandria Department of Transportation and Environmental Services; and
- Rob Kearns, Planning Division Chief, Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning.

Public Comments:

Jim Huryz commented through his attorney, Mr. Cronis, about the Park Shirlington Advisory Committee, asking questions about its operations, which were responded to by President Land. Mr. Huryz made additional comments concerning the process of Shirlington redevelopment.

Call to Order

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 7:16 pm. The President noted that a quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda

The Agenda distributed by the President by email on March 9th was approved by consensus.

Approval of Minutes

Version three of the minutes of the February 12th Executive Board meeting were approved, which had one typo corrected from the version emailed by the Secretary on March 12th, and addition of information regarding Rolf Bray's participation on the Park Shirlington Advisory Committee.

Officer Reports

President--

Park Shirlington; the developer has withdrawn 11/15 proposal; county staff expects re-submission in a few weeks, when fee would be paid and clock start running.

Intergenerational Committee—charter and list sent last night to Board. 3/20 Arlington Neighborhood Village presentation is first activity; 3/31 will be the first meeting of committee at 7 pm at the FCC.

Biggest AFB issue ever for April, 36 pages; including 13 full-page ads.

Vice President –pass

Treasurer

Treasurer Hilz had circulated three budget documents to the board by email prior to the meeting:

- the General Ledger;
- the AFB Profit and Loss Statement, which includes a new column showing a 12 month rolling average of the profit or loss;
- FCA Bank Accounts, including Certificates of Deposit and our Checking Account, which was up significantly this month due to higher pre-paid commercial ads.

He also circulated a copy of the updated 2014 budget, reflecting the consensus last month.

Treasurer Hilz finds that we're confused by the reports he's been doing. The Bottom line is what our accountants produce. He suggests that he work with them to get a quarterly profit/loss statement. His materials would then be ancillary to their products. There would likely be some extra cost for this service. There was general agreement among the Board with this suggestion.

Approval of source docs for taxes is not required, so his request by email for Board approval does not constitute a motion.

Treasurer Hilz is working with Global to get the FCA Cards printed.

Secretary

Electronic Votes

Jones moved, Street seconded, and passed 7-0-2 that we accept this version of the card and find out how much it will cost to print 250 of them. “This version” refers to the text appended to these minutes.

Voicemails

There were only 2 voicemails this month: one for the ad manager, which was referred, and one requesting to make comments at this meeting.

Other--none

Unfinished Business

Fairlington 5K

Joe Reed from Abingdon Elementary School reported for Joe Hartman. Registration passed 300 registrants today; he expects a total of 400. Hope to raise \$10k. Two additional fundraisers for the same cause will take place after the 5K: one at Pizzaiolo, and one at Johnny Rockets. They are still looking into costs for police road closures for three hours, 8-11 am. Runners and walkers doing 5k will set off at 8:15; 1 mile walkers will leave after that. Board members raised concerns about public safety, since almost all of South Fairlington will be sealed in during the closures; information about closures will be included in the April AFB. Board members asked questions about budget; costs are for sure covered; the only remaining budget questions are where a little can be cut to therefore raise a little more money. Race managers are charging \$800-900. The Arlington Animal Welfare League and Fairlington Runners groups are volunteering, as are local businesses. Registration is \$30 per walker or per group. Tee-shirts have Fairlington brick entry sign, cardinals, and say Walk for Ellie. It’s ok for us to sell FCA tee-shirts as well. There will be a raffle just before the race, with prize pick up after the race/walk. Walk-in registrations are also ok. Reed believes they are on top of everything, but realizes that there may be unforeseen issues.

Fairlington Day, 2014

Director Jones asked if there were any new inputs from Board on sponsors? Director Schwanger will be approaching a sponsor for the petting zoo. The fire permit has been applied for. There will be a call for volunteers in the April AFB. There have been requests for tables: 4 for food, 1 for FCA tees, 1 for the Master Gardeners, and 1 for Long and Foster. Many more potential sponsors have not responded. Director Jones hasn't had a response about the fire truck; the Fairlington Villages grill is available. He plans to ask for a donation (\$50 suggested) from those who will have a table, other than FCA activities.

New Business

Arlington County Civic Federation Banquet

Treasurer Hiltz reported that President Land, Secretary Dabbs, Director Schwanger and he will attend. Vice President Duffy has still to reply.

Paper Shred/Electronics Recycling—deferred due to lack of time.

Spring Grounds Walk—deferred due to lack of time.

Fairlington SWAG items—deferred due to lack of time.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded, and passed at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Dabbs
FCA Secretary

Approved Text for FCA Card:

The Fairlington Citizens Association (FCA) represents the 3,449 households of this neighborhood on civic matters. Working in cooperation with Arlington County, the City of Alexandria, the State of Virginia, and neighboring community associations, the FCA works to preserve the unique character of Fairlington, which is a Virginia Historic Landmark and is named on the National Register of Historic Places.

FCA's mission is to improve the quality of residents' lives; promote activities that make Fairlington a better community in which to live; provide a forum for discussion of residents' concerns; and represent the community in local affairs.

The FCA hosts monthly meetings. Usually, the first hour is devoted to guest speakers discussing issues affecting the community, and the second hour to the Board's business meeting. All meetings are open to the public and are announced on the FCA Web site, www.fca-fairlington.org, on the Fairlington Appreciation Society's Facebook page, or in the *All Fairlington Bulletin*.

What is the difference between the FCA and my condo association? The eight Fairlington condo or home owners' associations (Arbor, Commons, Glen, Green, Mews, Meadows, Villages, and Court) are responsible for the governance of their properties (trash, parking, fees, insurance, landscaping). The FCA, a non-profit civic association, focuses on the community's larger interests, such as education, transportation, and public safety.

Who belongs to the FCA? All residents, whether they own or rent, and non-resident owners are automatically members of the FCA.

How can I learn more about what the FCA is doing? Read the monthly *All Fairlington Bulletin*, which is delivered to all residences each month and is also available online at the FCA Web site. See the FCA Web site for information about how to contact us and get involved.

How can I help?

- Volunteer for a particular FCA event or help research an issue that interests you.
- Stay informed on the news via the Web site, Facebook, and the *All Fairlington Bulletin*.
- Attend monthly meetings.
Tell the FCA what concerns you.