



Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
October 25, 2021

Members Present: Amye Rheault, Diana Michel, Barbara Beatty, Bob Mizer, Karen Hauck, Sherrie Brady, Bill Barfield, Theresa Kessler, Aileen Winqvist, Bertha McClintock, Stephen Belisle, Ellie Hamo

Call to Order/Board Updates and Issues: meeting started at 7:35 pm.

Motion was passed to approve the September 2021 General Membership Meeting Minutes.

1. First Vice President (Bill):

External affairs update:

- Redistricting meetings are bogged down since the County is nine months behind in getting the census data. BOS must vote on redistricting by Jan. 1.
- Bill had a brief meeting with Gerry Connolly and discussed the possibility of the Electoral College being abolished. The idea is gaining traction but would probably come down to a partisan vote.

2. Second Vice President (Diana):

Internal affairs update:

- One more person joined CCVCA.
- Slight changes were made to the membership application – removed “Yard Sale” as a choice for volunteering since there is really no need.
- There is now space on the application to ask a survey question. Discussed pros and cons and decided that it would be better to ask such questions on the web page.

3. Treasurer (Theresa):

- Ice Cream Social expenses approximately \$950.
- The money raised from raffle tickets will not be used to offset expenses and will all go to the Scholarship fund. Of note, only three members of the Women’s Club were

involved with making the baskets. They hope for more participation next year and were very pleased with the amount of cash donations.

4. President (Amye):

- Kings Park West asks several questions of their membership about where to donate money (Fire Dept., parks, etc.). They actually receive more money and can do more things.
- The CCV park sign is rotting on top so Amye notified the Park Authority.
- Our intern, Ellie, has gotten all the old newsletters organized and has searched them for scholarship recipients.

Committee Updates:

1. Public Service (Bob M.):

- Police took down the database where you could enter an address and see if any crimes were committed there.
- Desperately short on personnel due to burnout and lower pay compared to surrounding jurisdictions (short 120 Fire and Rescue and 150 Police officers).

2. Schools:

➤ **Oak View** (Aileen):

- Children are happy to be back in school. Masks are required.
- Oak View Fall Festival is November 6.
- Aileen talked to someone at Oak View about the lack of maintenance for the stairs leading to Concordia (railing needs paint and erosion needs to be addressed).
- The Women's Club is interested in donating hats and mittens to students in need. Aileen mentioned it to the counselors and waiting to get a response.
- Amye spoke with the new homeowner at Gadsen and Earlham and encouraged her not to build a stockade fence bordering the walkway leading to the stairs. This would create a potentially dangerous situation for children walking to school.

➤ **Robinson** (Cheryl): Not present.

- No updates.

➤ **GMU** (Fran): Not present.

- Amye related that Fran has been active in the Mason Master Plan and she is looking out for our interests. The Roanoke River entrance will be enhanced but no details yet on what this means.
- Ann Sharp was appointed to represent our community at the quarterly meetings of the Fairfax Community and Advisory Board. Walkinshaw's office stays in contact with Ann to ensure that our interests are represented.

3. Newsletter (Laura): Not present.

- Michael Rodriguez who is a volunteer for AFS, an organization that promotes the placement of high school exchange students, would like to place an ad in our next newsletter. Amye would prefer that he write an article about American Foreign Services.

4. Beautification (Bertha and Peter):

- Have ripped out the old plants and replaced with fresh ones at one sign and will work on the other one soon.

5. Scholarship (Bob C.): Not present but emailed an update.

- Has submitted a newsletter article to Laura which encourages students to apply for a CCVCA scholarship.
- Suggested that one way to find scholarship recipients from 10-12 years ago is to advertise, so his newsletter article asks for this information. Another way is to try to find old checks made out to recipients but this could be time consuming.

6. Welcoming (Bertha):

- Housing market has slowed down so things are quiet.

7. Events (Sherrie):

- Halloween activities: spooky trail won't be too scary and will have a guide, games on BB court. All info about the event is on FaceBook.
- We may need new signs and some replacement signs but can discuss at a later date.
- Yard Sales: Middleridge makes a map for their yard sales (no actual addresses given) and leaves copies at the entrance. We decided to cut the Fall event and have only one yard sale in the Spring. Bill B. will ask the other associations when they are having their yard sales so we can coordinate.
- Discussed the 2022 events calendar.

- Should we recognize high school seniors? How would we find them? Would need to go through the parents – could put something in the December newsletter. Also, would be in time for scholarship applications. There is no money budgeted for a small (\$10?) gift this year, so will target 2023.
- We need a better sound system for the ICS and the stage should be multi-leveled. There was a cancellation, otherwise the stage would have been used.

8. Women's Club (Karen):

- Would like to use the CCV Office Depot card in order to receive the discount. All those present were in favor.

9. Past President's Committee (Steve):

- Nothing to report on past Presidents.

New Items:

1. Canterbury Woods has petitioned for Fairfax County trash collection. Two caveats: County collectors are also under-staffed and your tax bill will increase.
2. The Scouts collect old U.S. flags for a Retirement Ceremony. We could turn in old flags at the Memorial Day service.
3. We need to start thinking about who should be on the Nominating Committee.

Outstanding Tasks (Steve): Insurance for events/Directors

1. Boy Scouts want to store equipment – we would need insurance.
2. Could we as officers be sued? There are statutes that protect us since we are not paid, the organization does not make money, and we are not on the stock market. Steve will look through the statutes for relevant information.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Next Board meeting will be **December 6, 2021, 7:30 pm**, at Theresa Kessler's home.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Beatty

CCVCA Secretary