

**McLean Citizens Association
Board of Directors Meeting
June 4, 2014 Attendees**

Officers (6)

President	Sally Horn	Present
First Vice President	Glenn Harris	Present
Second Vice President	Armand Weiss	Present
Treasurer	Bill Crosby	Present
Recording Secretary	Kate Probst	Present
Corresponding Secretary	Marisa Zalmanis	Present

Board Members Representing Associations (20)

John Adams	Georgetown Pike & Potomac River	Present
Donald Borcharding	Brookhaven Forest Villa	Present
Steve DelBianco	Franklin Area	Present
Bill Denk	El Nido	Present
Louis (Bud) Freeman	McLean House North Council	Present
Jane Greenstein	Chesterford	Present
Francesca Gutowski	Lynwood	Present
Bonnie Heebner	Madison of McLean	Present
Ron Hutchinson	Evermay	Present
Bruce Jones	Lemon Road	Present
Tom Patton	Hamptons	Absent (exc.)
Michele Pearce	Kirby Road	Absent
David Pritchett	Treeline	Present
Jim Robertson	Evans Mill Pond	Present
Suzanne Samuels	Langley Oaks	Absent (exc.)
John Schaefer	McLean Broyhill Estates	Absent
Behram Shroff	McLean Hamlet	Present
Dale Stein	Millwood of McLean	Present
Jim Turner	McLean Hunt	Present
David Wuehrmann	Ellison Heights-Mt. Daniel	Present

Board Members At-Large (14)

Ted Alexander	Present
Roshan Badii	Present
Jeff Barnett	Absent (exc.)
Tom Brock	Present
Frank Crandall	Present
Andrea del Vecchio	Present
Louise Epstein	Present
Darren Ewing	Absent (exc.)
Animesh Gupta	Present
Rob Jackson	Present
James Phelps	Present
Jane Scott-Jones	Present
Patrick Smaldore	Present
Mark Zetts	Present

MCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MONTHLY MEETING

Wednesday, June 4, 7:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Guests who signed in: Cathlin and Steve Young (Public Safety Committee), Reena Singh (The McLean Connection), Paul Norton (Fairfax County police, McLean District) and Merrily Pierce (Environment, Parks and Recreation Committee).

Call to Order

Sally Horn called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm, verified there was a quorum, thanked the Membership Committee for the refreshments in the back of the room, and encouraged everyone to sign in.

Approval of May Minutes

Minutes from the May 7 meeting were approved unanimously by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

Bill Crosby presented the Treasurer's report for the prior month, which was approved unanimously by voice vote. See attached.

Report of President/Executive Committee

Sally Horn thanked the Board for its work and noted the continuity of the Board, which has worked well together. She welcomed the two new Board members, Kate Probst and Bonnie Heebner.

Ms. Horn noted that by joining the Board, we are making a commitment to attend Board meetings. The expectation is that Board members will attend all meetings, and will notify Ms. Horn in advance if they cannot attend and the reason they will be absent. Three unexcused expenses will result in automatic dismissal from the Board. She also urged Board members who represent HOAs/CAs to identify an alternate who can attend in their absence and to provide the alternate's name and contact information.

Ms. Horn reminded the Board that there are new by-laws, and that we should all be familiar with the new provisions. She outlined two key changes: stronger ethics and conflict of interest provisions (Sections 4.8 and 6.5 were briefly described by Glenn Harris) and new rules that will allow Board members to serve two-year terms as well as one year terms beginning next year.

Over the next few months, the Executive Committee will revise the MCA Policy and Procedures Manual, which is out of date and in need of revision. The revised manual will be brought to the full Board for a vote.

Ms. Horn noted that we do most of our work through resolutions, as we then have a written record laying out our position on an issue.

The Executive Committee is planning to organize an event in September for the Board that is little less formal, so that members can get to know each other better.

The Centennial Committee will be meeting at the MCC on Monday night (6/9) at the MCC.

The nomination of Leo Jardot to the MCF was unanimously approved by voice vote.

The Committee and Liaison Leadership Slate was approved unanimously by voice vote.

David Wuehrmann provided new information about the cost to the Fairfax library system of moving from printed books to e-books, and also updated the Board on the Lorton landfill.

After a spirited and thoughtful discussion, the Board approved by a voice vote (with four abstentions) a resolution that the MCA not renew its membership with the Fairfax Federation of Citizen Associations for the coming year and that the MCA send a constructive letter outlining changes in Federation policy and processes that would enable us to participate in the future.

Public Safety Liaison

Patrick Smaldore introduced Paul Norton, Station Commander for the McLean Police. Commander Norton provided information on current crime statistics in the MCA district and noted the increase in airbag thefts and the recent bottle bombs at Tysons Corner, as well as community concerns about the Tysons area once the Silver Line opens. He thanked the MCA, especially Patrick Smaldore, for working with the McLean Police.

Budget and Taxation

Dale Stein reported that the primary near-term focus of the Committee is on the possibility of a referendum on a proposed meals tax for Fairfax County and that there will be a Committee meeting with a representative or representatives of the County to discuss the subject on June 23.

Education and Youth

Ted Alexander noted that the Committee is working on the issue of school start times, and that he expects to see a revised approach from the County in July, which will then be voted on by the School Board in the Fall. The committee is also tracking class size, but FCPS has not proposed anything on that issue yet. Pension shortfall is another big issue. Ted noted that six outstanding students received MCA's Teen Character Award at McLean Day on May 17.

Environment, Parks & Rec.

Merrily Pierce briefed the Board on issues on which the committee is working. She reported on a very successful pilot park project that the MCA and Park Authority developed with Churchill Road Elementary School working with the principal and five 6th grade teachers. One hundred and fifty three students learned about how invasive vegetation damages trees and shrubs and helped remove them in Churchill Road Community Park during the week of May 19. The school plans to continue the program next year.

The Committee is also following the second phase of the County's Dead Run Stream Restoration Project in back of the McLean Community Center, which is expected to begin next year as part of the County's Master Watershed Plan.

Also reported was information that the McLean Trees Foundation has halted the long running newspaper recycling program that funded money for purchasing trees to plant in McLean. The bins where newspapers have been deposited in the Cooper Middle School have been removed. The company cited that it was no longer profitable to run the program for non-profit organizations. The recycling program was established in the 1970's when the Foundation was the McLean Trees Committee, an MCA standing committee.

Membership

Armand Weiss reported that our membership continues to grow, and thanked Marisa Zalmanis and Animesh Gupta for their work to improve our software and communications systems. Mr. Weiss also thanked all members who helped out at McLean Day. He announced that this year the Membership Committee will meet on the Monday before the Board meetings.

Mr. Weiss said all Committee members should have received the survey comments relevant to their committee from Glenn Harris and that we hope to have a summary report on the survey results to the Board by the July meeting.

Planning and Zoning

Mark Zetts noted that we will not be discussing the Bell Tower Resolution at this meeting, as the applicant has deferred the application until September and the proposal may change.

Mr. Zetts summarized the current set of issues regarding the Elm Street/JBG development. He said the major concern at this point relates to ensuring adequate parking for office employees during the construction process.

Mr. Zetts noted that there is a proposal to extend the existing 102-foot wireless antenna at McLean HS, to 12 feet to add Verizon. However, the permit application had not yet been filed. Jim Phelps and he are preparing comments on the proposed noise ordinance amendment.

Mr. Zetts mentioned that the RSU committee had its last meeting last Tuesday, and it is unclear what the next steps are, though he is trying to find out.

Transportation

The Pedestrian Traffic Signal Resolution was adopted unanimously by voice vote. This resolution supported a traffic light or a pedestrian light on Magarity Road across from Westgate Elementary School.

Tysons Liaison

Mark Zetts said that he is preparing comments on Tysons Park Master Plan, which is very much in line with the current comprehensive plan for Tysons.

McLean Planning Committee

Jim Turner noted that we have successfully negotiated for a number of community amenities – lighting, sidewalks, underground utilities, park, water feature, trail – to be included as part of the Elm Street/JBG development.

McLean Revitalization Corporation

Roshan Badii reported on the work of MRC regarding local signage and infrastructure maintenance.

Fifty-Plus Liaison

Jim Phelps reported that he is working with McLean: A Village for All Ages (MCVA), which is trying to set itself up. He said he could use assistance from an attorney on the Board, if there are any members who are familiar with setting up 501c(3) non-profit. corporations

Old Business/New Business

Sally Horn noted:

1. She has sent everyone on the Board an excel membership list, please review and email Sally if there are any corrections.
2. As part of our outreach efforts, we would like to post all Committee meetings on the MCA website. Committee Chairs should email information on the date, location and speakers for all Committee meetings to Marisa Zalmanis so she can post the information on the website.
3. When we are dealing in committees with draft resolutions the draft resolution should stay within the committee; the decision about when and how to share a draft resolution is a decision that should be made by the Committee Chair and Co-chair.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 pm

The next Board meeting will be on July 2, 2014.

McLean Citizens Association Treasurer's Report: June 4, 2014

Checking Account					
	DATE	CHECK #	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	BALANCE
Beginning Balance	5/7/2014				\$12,760.36
Additions					
	5/27/14		Dues (checks = \$20 cash)	\$470.00	
	Various dates		Dues (Paypal)	\$58.52	
	5/3/2014 through 5/29/14				
			Total: Additions	\$528.52	\$13,288.88
Deductions					
	5/15/14	1206	Jan Auerbach for frames for teen award certificates	\$21.18	
	5/29/14	1207	KKP Business Solutions for May 2014 Annual Meeting Newsletter	\$1,271.42	
			Total: Deductions	\$1,292.60	
			Checking Total Current Value		\$11,996.28
Certificates of Deposit					
CD NUMBER	RATE	REPORT DATE	MATURES	AMOUNT	
3000102773	APY 1%	5/6/14	1/17/15	\$5,902.92	
3000102774	APY .3%	4/30/14	3/2/15	\$5,763.96	
3000103064	APY .5%	5/1/14	6/12/14	\$5,931.34	
			CD Total Current Value		\$17,598.22
			Net Worth (Checking+CD)		\$29,594.50

Checking account and certificates of deposit are at SONA Bank in McLean.

Respectfully submitted, Bill Crosby, Treasurer