South County Federation P.O. Box 442, Lorton, Virginia 22199

Meeting at <u>South County Secondary School</u> Tuesday, November 11th, 2008 @ 7:30 p.m.

**** MINUTES****

BOARD REPORTS (10 Minutes)

President Grogan called the meeting to order at 7:36PM. Noted light attendance due to strong interest in concurrent meeting regarding elementary school boundary in auditorium. Looks forward to help from our new congressman Gerry Connolly. Next meeting is December 9th which will be a celebration of the South County Federation's 25th year. We will be meeting at the Workhouse Arts Center. We will be honoring Marcia Hanson's long dedication to our committee. Nominating committee will consist of Dale Johnson, Irma Clifton and Linwood Gorham.

Vice President's Report: Regarding membership issues. We have grown a little bit in 2008. One stat that can help us attract new members is the total of households represented. It will be looked into and included in December's meeting.

October 2008 meeting minutes approved by voice vote.

Announce attendance sheet distribution.

STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Education (Christine Morin)
 - o Laurel Hill Elementary Principal: Susan Montgomery currently at Lane Elementary
 - President Grogan noted that the education chair is pleased with this selection
 - Boundary study for elementary schools
 - Nov 11th & Dec 1st at 7PM at South County Secondary School
- Land Use (Linwood Gorham & Dale Johnson) (15 Minutes)
 - Probably due to record loss last quarter, Sunrise has pulled out of proposed facility on Route 123 near Shoppes at Lorton Valley shopping center
 - LUC heard ESI/PPEA proposal regarding middle school
 - LUC heard proposal for temporary bus parking
 - Prison Adaptive Reuse
 - County website has considerable information
- Transportation and Public Safety (Shean Robinson) (5 Minutes)
- Environmental/Parks and Environmental (Gloria Bannister) (5 Minutes)

SUPERVISORS/LEGISLATORS TIME and DISCUSSION (15 Minutes)

Supervisor Gerry Hyland

Bus proposal: FCPS is seeking place in South County to park substantial number of buses. Hyland expressed the community would be much more inclined to allow this if they knew a middle school was forthcoming.

Noted 15% across the board cut under consideration might not be enough to address county shortfall.

Continuing controversy in terms of trying to preserve the ballfield and still have a viable Laurel Hill reuse plan. [currently townhomes planned in the outfield.] Suggested following through on compromising to keep the ballfield or plan for alternate facility should be part of the re-use contract.

Possibility of WalGreens and a bank at corner of Rte1 and Lorton Road. Noted issues with the electronic billboards at other WalGreens on Route 1.

Farmer's Market: park authority says \$6,000 additional needed. Hyland has sent request for donations to several people/organizaions.

Election: there will be a special election held within 30-60 days after Gerry Connolly vacates his office as Chair; expected on/about January 3rd. Two candidates to run for Board Chair are district Supervisors. Whoever wins, there will then be another special election to fill an empty district Supervisor seat.

Looking into holding a debate between Bulova & Herrity at Hyland's Mount Vernon townhall.

Elections board will split Laurel Hill; likely using the new elementary school as the polling place and could, unless the community voices other preference, be named "Lindsay" precinct.

Harbin Marine property is an oddity zone-wise. It is commercial adjacent to Route1 and residential adjacent to Old Colchester. Staff is looking at a way for the owner to continue his business. Hyland is seeking to find a way to make this work for a business that has been in the community for a long time. Discussion to clarify the business use which has encroached upon the residential zoned land adjacent to Old Colchester. Irma Clifton noted the scenic byway status of Old Colchester. Hyland has suggested a possible easement.

President Grogan invited Steve French(?) of the South County Athletic Association to speak. Football program in its 2nd year. Spoke of lacrosse and attempts to start a basketball program. Wanted to share some good news and also let the community know that they have a \$4,500 shortfall this year that they are looking to address. Noted 501(3c) status. Thanked us for our support. Half of the twelve teams went to playoffs last year. Five of fifteen teams this year went to playoffs, two went to the final game and one won the championship ending the year with a 9-0 record. [note: some info was taken from local press coverage to fill in my gaps in memory.- Alan]

OLD BUSINESS (none)

NEW BUSINESS

Irma Clifton recently talked with Tim Rizer about the South Fairfax Chamber of Commerce. Irma Clifton moved to have SCF join the chamber spending \$100 for dues; as non-profit member. Substitute motion to table until future meeting consideration of joining South County Chamber of Commerce. Consensus that the federation joining the chamber is desired. Motion passed via voice vote.

Dale moved the federation authorize up to \$1,000 to be spent on the 25th Anniversary celebration and a gift for Marcia Hanson. During discussion a member raised no resistance to a gift for Marcia Hanson, but sees the amount as an extravagant expense. President Grogan noted that it is not much more than twice or so what the federation spent for Christmas parties in years past and that the motion authorizes <u>up to</u> \$1,000. Motion passed 11-10-6.

Adjournment at 8:20PM.

NEXT MEETINGS

December 9th 25th Anniversary Celebration at Workhouse Arts Center

January 13th

	Member Associations	Member Through	Here	Non Aligned Caucus Members	Paid Thru	Here
1	Afton Glen		Yes	Clifton, Irma		Yes
2	Barrington			Lally, Eleanor		
3	Crosspointe					
4	Gunston Corner THOA		Yes			
5	Gunston Manor					
6	Gunston Square		Yes			
7	Hallowing Point Civic Assoc			Other Attendees		
8	Harbor View		Yes			
9	Hollymeade			Gerry Hyland (Mount Vernon Supervisor	.)	Yes
10	Laurel Hill Community Association		Yes	Greg Werkheiser (Phoenix Project)		Yes
11	Laurel Highland			Conrad Meehan (EnviroSolutions)		Yes
12	Lorton Station			Tim Sargeant (Planning Commission)		Yes
13	Lorton Valley			Stephen French (SCAA)		Yes
14	Mason Neck Civic Association			Earl Flanagn (Planning Commission, M	√)	Yes
15	Newington Forest					
16	Newington Woods					
17	Non-Aligned Caucus (see upper right)					
18	Occoquan Overlook					
19	Overlook Point					
20	Pohick Square					
21	Saratoga Community Association					
22	Shepherd Hills					
23	Springfield Oaks					
24	Shirley Acres					
25	Silverbrook Hunt		Yes			
26	Southpointe		Yes			
27	Spring Hill		Yes			
28	Stone Manor					
29	Wildwood					
30	Williamsburg Square		Yes			