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## NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, May 26, 2004, 8:00 pm

Walt Whitman Middle School Jack Knowles Lecture Hall

## AGENDA

### CALL TO ORDER

Approval of Secretary's Minutes

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Committee Reports

Co-Chairmen's Report on Board Actions

### PUBLISHED ITEMS and RESOLUTIONS

### NEW BUSINESS

Member Association Representatives' Time

MV Supervisor's Time

Other Elected Reps and Public Time

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## MINUTES

GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING - April 28, 2004

ASSOCIATIONS REPRESENTED: Belle Haven Terrace, Briary Farms, Collingwood on the Potomac, Fairfax Residents, Hollin Glen, Hollin Hall Village, Hollin Hills, Huntington, Mason Hill, Montebello, Mount Vernon Civic, Mount Vernon Farms, Mount Vernon Manor, Mount Vernon/Potomac, Mount Zephyr, New Gum Springs, Newington Forest, Olde Mill, Riverside Estates, River Towers, Sherwood Estates, Southwood, Spring Bank, Stratford Landing, Stratford/Potomac IV, Sulgrave Manor, Wellington Heights, Wessynton, William H. Randall, Williamsburg Manor, Williamsburg Manor North.

PRESIDING: Errol Bergsagel

SECRETARY'S MINUTES: Approved

TREASURER'S REPORT: Approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Errol announced that the Legendary and Formidable Rose Lambert was decamping to Florida leaving us in the untested hands of Charles Unger. Rose received a fine round of applause and for the first time turned in her voting card at the end of the meeting. I shall miss her mailing it to me!

ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES' TIME: "Battling" Jim Moran updated us on a variety of issues and showed through his style and humor why he is Representative for Life. He acknowledged that there would be additional flights in and out of Reagan thanks to Senator John McCain and Representative Don Young of Alaska. Hopefully, PART 150 will "scatter", i.e. "distribute more equitably" the flight patterns. New planes apply thrust and go up more vertically thus avoiding a lot of the area. Five hundred thousand dollars have been made available to synchronize the traffic lights on Route 1. Plus monies for buses and Woodlawn Road.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Judy Harbeck reported that the Mount Vernon High School Principal has resigned. Jim Davis elaborated on his report in the Record. Underground tanks could be used to control storm water: other changes are possible.

RESOLUTIONS: P & Z's "Jerry Winchester" passed 27-0-0. B & F's "Hotel Tax" passed 27-1-0. It's "Meal's Tax" passed 24-6-2 and Transportation's "Kings Crossing" passed 13-11-4.

## TRANSPORTATION

The MVCCA Transportation Committee met on May 3, 2004, at 8 PM in the Media Center of the Walt Whitman Intermediate School. Attending were: Mr. Errol Bergsagel, Co-Chair, MVCCA; Mr. Earl Flanagan, Transportation Commissioner; representatives of 25 member organizations (Belle Haven Terrace, Belle View, Berkshire, Collingwood Springs, Fair Haven, Gum Springs, Hollin Hall, Huntington, Hybla Valley Farms, Marlan Forest Heights, Montebello, Mount Vernon, Mount Vernon Manor, Mount Vernon on the Potomac, Mount Zephyr, Riverside Estates, Riverside

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

Gardens, Riverwood, Southwood, Tauxemont, Waynewood, Wellington, Wessynon, Westgrove, Williamsburg Manor); and 4 interested citizens.

The Committee discussed the proposal of the Park Authority, presented at last month's meeting, to prohibit a left turn for traffic exiting Belle View Boulevard onto the Parkway. The Committee was fearful of the repercussion of such a prohibition. First of all, residents in the area will complain about the increase of local traffic, as the prohibition will require movement from Belle View to Belle Haven Boulevard. Secondly, a significant larger backup can be expected at Belle Haven. Additionally it was noted that repercussions elsewhere are difficult to predict, since changes often result in unexpected consequences. A study would be essential to determine the impact of rerouting traffic. Various other alternatives were presented. Striping northbound traffic on the Parkway into one lane, to permit a safe merge with traffic from Belle View Boulevard, was deemed too restrictive for thru traffic. Next, the Park Authority would never authorize the placement of a traffic signal since that would detract from the historical character of the Parkway. Since the intersection at Belle Haven has been found safer and is deemed satisfactory, it was suggested that the Park Authority be encouraged to duplicate the Belle Haven intersection layout at Belle View; i.e. provide medium room on the Parkway at the Belle View intersection, to permit one car in the center to await a safe turn. The Chairman was instructed to dispatch a letter to the Park Authority recommending this proposal.

The Committee was apprised of the results of the latest public hearing of the 150 Study pertaining to aircraft noise. Of note was the observation that many planes intending to make a right turn, at whatever distance from the airport, travel close to the shoreline for extended distances before making the turn. Residences along the shoreline are thereby affected and probably believe that the planes are turning at their location. The Committee concurred unanimously with the proposition that Controllers request aircraft to stay in the middle of the river until a turn is initiated. The Committee otherwise maintained its indecision in regard to retaining turns at 5 miles from the airport versus a minimum of ten miles before a turn maybe attempted.

Committee members were reminded of the Walkable Workshop to be held next day. The Chair was asked to present the following, if an opportunity arises:

- Install center safety islands wherever street crossings are hazardous
- Install 50' sidewalk on Route #1, between Mount Eagle Drive and Huntington
- Install trail on E side of Ft Hunt Rd between West Forest and Belle View Blvds

Mr. Earl Flanagan presented information on the latest developments in the Route #1 Location Study.

- At the Buckman intersection (N), a left turn from Buckman into Route #1 will be prohibited; only right turn in and right turn

out will be authorized. Traffic intending to turn left into Highway #1 will have to travel to the Jannalee intersection. Lee District has agreed to this solution. This helps to accommodate Gum Springs objection against a grade-separated intersection at that location

- Southbound traffic on Route #1 will receive twice as much time for left turns into Old Mount Vernon Road; this should cut back on backups.
- An agreement was reached in the Steering Committee to construct 6 lanes on Route #1 for vehicular traffic from Sherwood Hall Lane to the Beltway. However, additional space for two more lanes will be reserved, with its disposition awaiting the results of a Traffic Study to be authorized in the near future.
- As the Woodrow Wilson Bridge construction progresses, the Fort Hunt/US #1 intersection will be closed for a temporary period; thereafter, as it reopens, the Huntington/US #1 intersection will be closed for similar construction work.
- It was recognized that our past interventions in the Route #1 Location Study has had an impact which has resulted in positive changes in accordance with our desires.

A draft resolution on limiting housing construction in view of an absence of transportation funding in the future budget was discussed. By a vote of 20 (for) 6 (Against) and 1 (abstention) the Chair was requested to proceed in developing this resolution. It was noted that a projected huge expense for a Metro expansion to Dulles Airport will divert funding from other urgent projects. The traffic congestion problem impacts obviously beyond Mount Vernon District boundaries. While high-rise construction near public transportation is not deemed too harmful, the question of density of new housing, particularly the development of additional town houses, should be a specific target. Exceptions from existing zoning requirements should not be granted and developers need to be required to pay for needed transportation improvements/expansions. The resolution will be coordinated with Planning and Zoning.

The matter of access and egress from an expanded Metro Garage unto Huntington will be considered at the next meeting.

Updates: The ongoing bus study is still processing the cost of proposals for changes submitted by us and others; as soon as a final plan is developed, committee members will be apprised. Our King's Crossing Resolution was passed at the last MVCCA Council meeting by a vote of 13:11:4. The BB&T bank has closed its Sherwood Hall branch; left hand turns into Sherwood Hall Lane for future businesses must be prohibited, as currently prescribed. The Belle Haven Country Club is opening a new entrance to the North; the current entrance should only be kept for right turn entry from Ft Hunt Road.

The next meeting of the Transportation Committee will be held at 8 PM on Monday, June 7, 2004 at the Walt Whitman Middle School. We will have a guest speaker to update us on the ongoing Woodrow Wilson Bridge construction project.

## HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

H/HS Committee met May 4 with 9 member associations represented: Collingwood on Potomac, Belle Haven Terrace, Hollindale, Mount Vernon, Randall Estates, Springbank, Stratford Landing, Stratford on Potomac, and Williamsburg Manor.

**Guest consultant Sharon Kelso** praised the Mount Vernon Council's effective advocacy for sound public policies and solutions, as evidenced in the recent Fairfax County review of planning for FY2005. Kelso's announcement of retirement, in June, from more than 20 years directing United Community Ministries, has stimulated many public tributes to her contributions. Our Committee expresses thanks for her remarkable service in this community and our wishes for "bon voyage." As an advocate for health and human services who has served on many regional boards and task forces, she assured the group that MVCCA's interest in health and human services issues resonates with county officials and with other citizen groups well beyond our district.

We asked Kelso to draw on her long experience with the complex issue of "affordable housing," to help us understand the need and the benefits for the community of good "models." Kelso described the stability of family, workforce, and community that results. "Affordable housing, if appropriate and in the right places, brings not problems but solutions." She brought us the concluding report of the county's Homeless Oversight Committee, describing progress in addressing their 3 priorities: establishing a fourth family shelter (serving the western part of the county), expanding services for those displaced by domestic violence, and serving medically fragile homeless persons. She also brought bad news: federal policy proposed for FY2005 reduces funding for the Section 8 Choice Voucher program. Kelso warns that the supply of rental apartments made "affordable" through vouchers to low-income working families is shrinking, and declining federal payment for existing vouchers will shift more costs to state and local governments, burden local service agencies, and reduce incentives for builders to include affordable units in new construction. She urges that citizens contact their representatives in Congress to point out the adverse local impact and to support *full* funding of the existing voucher program.

### Committee planning:

Members, meeting in three working groups, identified a mix of emerging issues and updates on services available in our area for focus in future meetings. These include: (*under Community Services Board supervision*) updates on mental retardation programs, mental health programs, and plans to remodel our community Mental Health Center; (*in healthcare services*) a demographic portrait of growing needs among groups such as young families and elderly, an update on local and regionally coordinated emergency preparedness and response; and (*in human services*) "Are After School Programs available and effective where needed?" and "Does the county have a plan to expand affordable housing here and countywide?" Most issues do not fit neatly into one categorical box, but involve effective

coordination among a continuum of community services: a good example is treatment for Brain Injury (see June 1 meeting, below).

### Will Inova plan for Mount Vernon Hospital's Future? MVCCA is on watch.

[MVCCA's position is stated in the Resolution, "Public Support for Saving Mount Vernon Hospital," July 2003 MVCCA Record, on web site: [www.MVCCA.org](http://www.MVCCA.org). Also in *The Record* are key developments in monthly H/HS Reports: July 2003—April 2004. "Report of the Southeast Health Planning Task Force to the Community and the Trustees of the Inova Health System, March 1, 2004," distributed at the March MVCCA General Council, is available at Supervisor Hyland's office.]

Will IHS Trustees consider the Report carefully and act on its Recommendation concerning long-term planning in a timely manner, to resolve the uncertainty that weighs on the community and on healthcare professionals? MVCCA supports the conclusion that, "To build greater community trust concerning its planning process, IHS must achieve a more open dialogue among all three vital participants: Inova planners and management, the medical professionals who deliver health care, and the community." H/HS reps and Chair Louise Cleveland welcome your ideas on next steps. Note the June 3 meeting, below.

### Community Meetings, open to the public

**May 19, 12-1 p.m. (Lunch available, at 11:30 a.m.) Community Lunch Series** meets at the Mt. Vernon Center for Community Mental Health, 8119 Holland Road (behind Mount Vernon Hospital). "Can there be recovery from mental illness?" Panelists from the Center, providers, and consumers explore "the recovery model," a wholistic view of mental illness that requires a well-organized support system.

**June 1, 7:30 p.m.: H/HS Committee** meets at IMVH-Conf. Rm. C, with focus on "What is the continuum of resources for persons with Brain Injury, in Mount Vernon and in Fairfax County?" Guest speaker: Karen Brown, Brain Injury Services of Northern Virginia.

**June 3, 7 p.m.: The Southeast Health Planning Task Force**, which awaits Inova Trustees' consideration of its Recommendation, meets at South County Government Center, 8350 Richmond Hwy. This meeting will be open to the public. Chair: Anne Andrews, 703-780-1773.

## EDUCATION

The Education Committee met on April 14, 2004, and May 5, 2004, at 8 pm at Whitman Middle School. The April 14 meeting was attended by representatives of the following associations: Mount Vernon Civic, Sulgrave Manor, Stratford Landing, Williamsburg Manor, Belle Haven Terrace and others. The May 5 meeting was attended by representatives of Mt.

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Vernon Farms, Wessynton, Williamsburg Manor North, Potomac Valley Riverbend, Mount Vernon on the Potomac, Hollin Hills and Riverside Estates.

At the April meeting, the speaker was Donna Piscetilli, the new Director of Student Services (ie Guidance), at Mount Vernon High School. The committee had hoped to receive information on the results and outcome of the program review undertaken by FCPS and of the March community meeting on the same subject. Since no results were available as yet, the committee spoke generally with Ms. Piscetilli about her responsibilities as the administrator in charge of school counselors and special education, about school organization and the division of responsibilities between the assistant principals, who have "charge" of a class and move with the class through graduation and the counselors, who have charges in each class but also follow children from entrance through graduation.

The committee also discussed the budget situation in the Commonwealth and the County and instructed the chair to prepare a resolution directed to the School Board Budget for consideration at the next meeting.

At the May meeting, the chair presented a Resolution, which was approved unanimously in the form printed elsewhere in the Record. In past years, the committee has presented a resolution which spoke more specifically to the School Board Budget but given the unusual Commonwealth and County budget circumstances where the School Board still does not know if the FY 2005 deficit is \$39 Million or some other amount, the committee felt it important to emphasize the special issues which exist in this area. The committee also discussed the Board of Supervisors' April 26, 2004, minutes which requested a new comprehensive demographic study and proposed some consolidation of county and school human services with "savings" being reinvested in schools.

**Next meeting:** June 2, 2004, 8 pm Whitman MS library.

**Speaker:** Gary Chevalier, FCPS Director of the Office of Facilities Planning Services

**Subject:** Enrollment projections, school capacity issues, and school system demographics.

## CONSUMER AFFAIRS

The Consumer Affairs Committee met on Tuesday, May 4th at 7:30 p.m. in the Mount Vernon District Supervisor's Conference Room. Associations Represented: Huntington; Mt. Vernon Farms; Mt. Vernon Lakes Condominium; Mt. Vernon Manor; Mt. Vernon; New Gum Springs; and a resident from Lee District.

After viewing a short DVD (video) and quick scan of a booklet on identity theft that contained valuable information, including information about the three credit bureaus, provided by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, Mr. Randy Benarick's, Director of Security for Burke and Herbert Bank provided a presentation on identity theft. Mr. Benarick is former police officer who was hired by Burke and Herbert Bank to protect the bank's assets. Mr. Benarick presentation on identity theft included real life incidents and how consumers can prevent/minimize their identity from being stolen. Several awareness tips stated by Mr. Benarick included: 1) being careful where you put your mail because "mules" can steal your mail and sell it as we saw in the video. You should place your outgoing mail in U.S. mailbox; 2) buy a shredder..Mr. Benarick was impressed that we had 100% participation from attendees who had shredders. Junk mail should be shredded. This includes any mail that contains your name, address or bar code. Spring and fall are the times you will be inundated with credit card solicitations; 3) cross out your credit card number on the receipt you receive. The first four digits is the name of the company (Visa, Mastercard, AMEX, etc), the last four digits is the card number assigned and the middle numbers pertains strictly to you. Once you have signed the receipt, there is no need for your credit card number to be displayed even if the last four digits are XXed out. The vendor's machine already approved and captured the transaction; 4) provide a double line in your check to prevent an additional name being inserted in the payee line. Write a "not to exceed" amount in the body of the check; 6) do not sign the back of your credit card. Instead write "ask for identification" and be prepared to show the clerk government identification such as a driver's license, passport, etc. and thank the clerk for asking.

Mr. Benarick stated that identity theft is the fastest growing crime and will not go away during our lifetime. If consumers become a victim of bank identify theft, call your bank and ask for to speak to a security officer. If you would like to speak to Mr. Benarick, he may be reached on 703-549-1623. Mr. Benarick will respond to your call even if you're not a customer of Burke and Herbert Bank.

This was such an interesting meeting that it will be on the Committee's agenda next year. We're all set for the rest of this year—see the April edition of the Record.

The next *Consumer Affairs meeting will be Tuesday, June 1st at 7:30 p.m. at the Mt. Vernon Governmental Center. The topic of discussion will be cable vs. satellite.* Bring your cable/satellite bill for review and comment by the experts. Representatives from both industries will be present to discuss their products and services. Cox Communications and Comcast will represent cable services and Kolas T.V., a family owned and operated business in the Mount Vernon area since 1969 will discuss satellite dishes (Direct TV and Dish) and current promotions. If you're not sure whether you want cable or a satellite, this is the meeting for you! Come out and hear the pros and cons and truths and myths about cable and satellite. You will become an educated consumer about cable and satellite! This will be the last Consumer Affairs meeting for the spring/summer. We will resume on *Tuesday, September 7th. Topic: Long Distance Caregivers.*



## ENVIRONMENT AND RECREATION

The Environment and Recreation Committee met May 5, in Room E-114, Mt Vernon High School, at 7:30 PM. Attending were: Belle Haven Terrace, Collingwood on the Potomac, Hollin Hills, Mt Vernon Civic, Mt Vernon Manor (aka Co-chair MVCCA, Errol Bergsagel), Mt Vernon on the Potomac, Mt Zephyr, Spring Bank, Stratford Landing, Stratford on the Potomac, Sulgrave Manor, Williamsburg Manor, Woodlawn, Manor and the Chair of the Fairfax County Wetlands Board, Glenda Booth.

The Committee reviewed the Kinder Resolution, SE 001-MV-005 passed at the MVCCA General Session meeting last Sept. The Planning Commission hearing had occurred but the record remains open until May 27. The committee thought individual members should add to the record for this precedent setting Special Exception. The Planning Commission can be emailed at: [plancom@fairfax.gov](mailto:plancom@fairfax.gov)

The committee approved a motion on procedure when hearing presentations that are to be voted upon. There currently is no specific language in the MVCCA Bylaws pertaining to committee procedures. This can be electronically sent to those interested and will be furnished to anyone presenting a case before the committee.

Quander Brook resolution brought forward by the neighborhood association was unanimously approved by the committee. (See resolutions)

No action was taken on the Lorton Arts Center proposal by Lorton Arts Foundation (LAF) at the Workhouse site. The expected resolution will recommend all possible Low Impact Development (LID) practices that are discovered to be plausible are requested be on the site plan. County and State agencies co-operatively working with the project architect, Greenhorn and O'Meara, (design consultants representing LAF) will see that the most effective and practical LIDs appear on the final/ approved site plan.

Next meeting: June 2, Mt Vernon High School, Room E-114, 7:30 PM.

## PLANNING & ZONING

The meeting was attended by twenty-three civic associations: Bellhaven Terrace, Collinwood Springs, Engleside, Hollin Hills, Huntington, Mason Hill, Montebello Condominium Association, Mount Vernon Civic, Mount Vernon Farms, Mount Zephyr, Newington, Potomac Valley/Riverbend Estates, Riverside Estates, Riverside Gardens, Saratoga, Spring Bank, Stratford Landing, Stratford on the Potomac, Sec. 4, Waynewood, Wellington, Wellington Heights, Williamsburg Manor, Williamsburg Manor North.

The Committee heard three land use cases and voted on resolutions in opposition for two of them. Of these two the South County Federation voted in favor of the projects. At the Board meeting it was concluded that these two resolutions, RZ-2003-MV-045, National Capital Land Development Co. and RZ-2003-MV-060, D.R. Horton, Inc., would not be published in the May Record and

the MVCCA would work to resolve any differences with the South County Federation. The third case concerned a monopole as flagpole at Carl Sandburg Middle School. It was determined that the survey of the citizens in the area around the school had not been completed and thus, no vote was taken.

P & Z Next Meeting June 7, 2004, 7:30 PM, Walt Whitman Middle School

## PUBLIC SAFETY

Associations represented: Collingwood on the Potomac, Hollin Hall, Mount Vernon, Riverside Estates, Riverside Gardens, Southwood, Waynewood, Wellington, and Williamsburg Manor. The chair continued the review of some of the public safety legislation passed by the Virginia General Assembly and signed by the governor. Of major interest is the several bills concerning DUI. The governor signed thirteen bills making changes to the laws concerning DUI. They all significantly lower the threshold for penalties (except that the basic blood alcohol content for determination of DUI is left at .08) and stiffens penalties, some of these penalties are no longer left to the discretion of judges - they are mandatory.

There are several other laws approved that are of interest. Starting July 1, Virginia will finally have a Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act (RICO) which will help law enforcement better deal with the threats from gang activity, terrorism, obstruction of justice, waste management, murder, money laundering, etc. Seven other changes were made to laws regarding gang activity. Another law change strengthens the ability of the state to fight identity theft. Persons driving off without paying for motor fuel can now be prosecuted for larceny in addition to a \$100 fine. The fine for not paying a toll has been raised from \$25 to \$50. Drivers convicted of aggressive driving will be given restricted licenses. When drivers attain the age of 80, they will be required to take a vision test every time they have their driver's license renewed. Several changes strengthened family abuse and sex abuse laws.

The chair provided information on the progress of the Delancey Street replication initiative. The Fairfax County Community Criminal Justice Board decided at their April meeting to pursue investigation of this idea and voted to meet monthly as a committee of the whole to specifically work on it.

The committee continued work on a resolution to establish a ban on the use of cell phones by drivers when the cell phones are either not hooked up to a microphone/speaker built into the motor vehicle or to a hands-free accessory. Several revisions were proposed to the latest draft. Some of these will be incorporated into a new draft. A copy of this draft will be provided to the Transportation Committee for their review and action.

The Public Safety Committee's next meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 3 in Community Room #3, Mount Vernon Governmental Center.

## May 5, 2004 Resolution of the Education Committee of the MVCCA

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WHEREAS the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors (BOS) on April 26, 2004, adopted a FY 2005 Budget (County Budget) which provides for a fund transfer increase of 6.57% to the Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) but underfunds the FY2005 Budget approved by the Fairfax County School Board (School Board Budget) by approximately \$38,000,000 (Budget Shortfall); and

WHEREAS both the County Budget and the School Board Budget made certain assumptions about the level of financial support for FCPS which will be included in the FY2005 Budget of the Commonwealth of Virginia (Virginia Budget) but due to unprecedented delay and failure of the legislature to adopt a Virginia Budget the amount of funds which will be actually available to FCPS is not now known although it appears FCPS will receive the level of funding anticipated by both the County Budget and School Board Budget, and may receive some additional funds when the Virginia Budget is finally adopted; and

WHEREAS notwithstanding the foregoing, the Fairfax County School Board (School Board) must adopt, on or about May 27, 2004, a FY2005 School Budget which closes the Budget Shortfall either by cuts in the School Board Budget or by receipt of additional revenue in the Virginia Budget ; and

WHEREAS the Superintendent of FCPS has previously stated that closing the Budget Shortfall would require reduction in the proposed employee compensation and increases in class size, in addition to reinstating certain proposed but restored reductions including inter alia reducing the number of elementary instructional assistants and reducing clerical support for Special Needs Schools; and

WHEREAS a lower class size, the availability of instructional assistants, and additional clerical support is desirable for all students and all schools but is critical to the continued academic progress of disadvantaged children (minority, poor, and limited English) and of schools with high populations of disadvantaged children and with high mobility, if disadvantaged students and schools are to comply with the standards and reporting requirements required under the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) and the Virginia Standards of Learning (SOLs) and retain federal funding, local control, and accreditation; and

WHEREAS most of the schools in the areas represented by the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations (MVCCA), the Mount Vernon and West Potomac High School Pyramids, have been and continue to be heavily impacted by large numbers of disadvantaged students and, in recognition of these special challenges, have been designated Special Needs, Project Excel and/or Focus 2004 schools, and in the past have received, and continue to require, targeted class size reduction, additional instructional and clerical staffing, and other directed resources in order to make continued progress under NCLB and SOLs; and

WHEREAS it is also critical that employee compensation in FCPS remain competitive in order to attract and retain highly qualified teachers and staff in a highly competitive market

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations, in consideration of all of the above, urges the Fairfax County School Board, if it is required to make cuts impacting class size, instructional or clerical staffing in order to adopt a FY2005 School Budget, that such cuts be targeted cuts and that schools which have already been recognized as needing additional resources (Special Needs, Project Excel, Focus 2004) be, to the extent possible, excluded from such cuts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations urges the Fairfax County School Board in adopting a FY2005 School Budget, particularly if additional funds are received from the Commonwealth of Virginia, to provide teacher compensation at a level which will retain or improve competitive position in order to attract and retain a highly qualified teaching staff; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, if adequate additional funds are received from the Commonwealth, the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations urges the Fairfax County School Board to adopt a FY2005 Budget which fully funds the Approved Budget, and if funds are available, targets additional assistance to schools identified as needing additional resources, to maintenance and replacement of computers and electronic equipment and to bus repairs and replacements.

## RESOLUTION TO NAME QUANDER BROOK

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WHEREAS, Fairfax County staff acknowledges that old County maps, current County Maps, US Geological Survey maps, and FEMA Flood Insurance maps show no name for this stream segment; and

WHEREAS, historical publications and library resources provide no name for this stream segment; and

WHEREAS, elder, lifelong residents of the Spring Bank community are unable to recall any names other than branch, creek or brook for the streams originating in the Spring Bank community; and

WHEREAS, Fairfax County staff is unable to provide any provisions or protocols for naming this stream segment; and

WHEREAS, the Potomac River Greenways Coalition is currently implementing a project in partnership with the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District; the Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services; the Audubon Naturalist Society; and the Potomac Conservancy to educate citizen leaders and strengthen community watershed organizations in Fairfax County; and

WHEREAS, the project's primary objectives are to raise awareness about watersheds among citizens, strengthen existing watershed organizations, and to facilitate the formation of new community watershed organizations in Fairfax County that target homeowners associations and other civic associations; and

WHEREAS, future development issues related to stream protection and the importance of adequate watershed management in Fairfax County, with the potential to adversely impact the unnamed tributary to Hunting Creek are soon to come before Fairfax County staff; and

WHEREAS, the stream is worthy of preservation and restoration for the sake of environmental and ecological services rendered by such stream to the overall benefit of the Spring Bank neighborhood and the greater Mount Vernon community; and

WHEREAS, the Fairfax County Comprehensive Plan currently states that environmental restoration for this particular parcel is to be included in any development, and

WHEREAS, the formation of a "Friends of Association" requires that the stream have a name in order that such an association be formed.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations recommends and requests that the unnamed tributary to Hunting Creek originating from various spring sources in the Spring Bank neighborhood be officially named Quander Brook, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors acknowledges the naming of this unnamed tributary to Hunting Creek, notifying Fairfax County staff requiring, this unnamed tributary stream be properly surveyed, named Quander Brook and adding the name to current electronic versions of County maps and all future printed versions of County maps.

## MOUNT VERNON COUNCIL OF CITIZENS ASSOCIATIONS

### Treasurer's Report

For period from January 1, 2004 through May 14, 2004

	Budget 2004	Actual to Date	Budget to Actual (to date)
<b>Balance Beginning Period</b>		<b>\$3,669.17</b>	
<b>RECEIPTS</b>			
Dues*	\$4,819	\$4,527	-\$292
Record Subscriptions	\$450	\$450	\$0
Gala Income	\$3,972	\$4,265	\$293
Knowles Plaque Donations <sup>1</sup>	N/A	\$615	\$615
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$9,241</b>	<b>\$9,857</b>	<b>\$616</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>			
Record Expenses	\$4,700	\$1,712	-\$2,988
Administrative	\$696	\$132	-\$564
Gala	\$2,750	\$2,473	-\$277
Web Site	\$540	\$420	-\$120
Knowles Plaque	\$0	\$1,148	\$1,148
Membership	\$75	\$0	-\$75
Postage	\$480	\$200	-\$280
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$9,241</b>	<b>\$6,085</b>	<b>-\$3,156</b>
<b>Balance Ending Period</b>		<b>\$6,305.86</b>	

<sup>1</sup>Includes balance forward of \$440.00

\*Dues & Subscriptions paid for prior to 1/1/04 included in beginning balance

## COMMITTEE CALENDAR FOR JUNE 2004

### MVCCA Board-WWMS-June 10 at 8:00 pm

Date/Day/Time	Comm.	Place	Chair	Phone
6/1 T 7:30	HHS	MVH-BR	Louise Cleveland	703.780.9151
6/1 T 7:30	COAF	MVGC	Queenie Cox	703.360.2414
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