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**Delegate Assembly**  
**Minutes**  
**October 5, 2009**

**Members Present:** Judith Knight, Arlington Mill; Hedy Rothfuss, Ashlawn; Margaret Frick, Barrett; Regina Richardson, Campbell; Aldonia Cooper, Carlin Springs; Ninfa Perez, ESOL/HILT; Natalie Rooney and Valerie Jackson, Hoffman-Boston; Cara Lamont and Laura LaPrade, Jamestown; Theresa Cavanaugh, Jefferson; Leslie Stockton, Ingrid Gant, Solange John-Jules, Kenmore; Rosa Navas and Sara Keys, Key; Anne Malleck, Long Branch, Aimee Bough, McKinley; Grace White and Anne Stewart, Nottingham; Linda Forehand, Randolph; Margaret Lindquist, Stratford; Larry Whitener, Transportation; Danielle Anctil, Tuckahoe, Joyce Santoro, Williamsburg; Erin Smith, Washington-Lee and Susan Zajac, AEA-Retired.

**Executive Board Members Present:** Shelley Jennings, Anya Gan, Wanda Perkins, John Tarpey, Eva Ingram, Vicky Robertson, Lee Dorman, Gerry Collins, Louise Fishbein, AEA-Retired and UniServ Director, Kelly Paine.

Meeting was called to order by President Jennings at 4:15 p.m.

President Jennings greeted delegates and welcomed new delegates to the meeting.

The September minutes were amended to state Leslie Stockton (Kenmore) was present. Lee Dorman moved to accept the minutes as amended. Laura LaPrade seconded and motion passed.

President Jennings reviewed the meeting norms for Delegate Assembly meetings. Delegates whose cell phones ring during the meeting will be fined \$5.00 payable to A-PAC.

**President's Report**

1. The PIE-A-PAC meeting slated for September 9 was cancelled.
2. President Jennings met separately with School Board members Ms. Abby Raphael and Ms. Emma Violand-Sanchez. Individual meetings with remaining members will take place within the next week.
3. A Meet & Confer meeting was held September 30 with President Jennings, UniServ Director Kelly Paine, Superintendent Patrick Murphy and Dr. Betty Hobbs. Delegates are encouraged to e-mail President Jennings with questions and concerns to be raised at future meetings.
4. APS will provide free of charge flu shots for all APS students having parental consent. Currently, there are no plans for APS to administer and/or pay for the H1N1 shot.

**Uniserv Director's Report**

Ten minutes of each Delegate Assembly meeting will be devoted to training. Fliers detailing VEA benefits in comparison to VPE were distributed. Those transferring to VEA will receive \$50.

**Membership Report (Anya Gan)**

1. Latest membership figure: 1736.
2. Members earn \$10 reward for each new member enrolled anytime this year.

**Treasurer's Report (Shawn Waddell)**

Treasurer S. Waddell was not present to give a report.

Mike Gowen, V.P. and Shawn O'Connell, V.P., Legal Services, both of the Arlington Professional Firefighters and Paramedics Association, Local 2800, visited the Delegate Assembly and distributed a handout regarding changing from the County Manager to the County Board form of government.

Lee Dorman moved, amended by Gerry Collins, that the AEA provide information to the Delegate Assembly to possibly support the efforts of police and firefighters in their petition drive for a referendum to change the Arlington County government from a County Manager to a County Board form of government. Regina Richardson seconded and the motion passed.

Criteria for the AEA Leadership Incentive will include an accountability feature. Members and delegates attending conferences and meetings on behalf of the AEA will provide a brief summary to be published in the next 'Action Report' or presented to the Delegate Assembly.

Open Season for health insurance begins October 13. Health insurance representatives will be available Tuesday, October 27 from 9:00 to 7:00 p.m. and November 10 from 12:00 to 6:00 p.m. A Comparison Chart for Estimated Calculations for 2010 Health Insurance Rates, prepared by AEA member Josh Folb, was distributed to delegates.

President Jennings will e-mail a copy of the current Sick Leave policy to all delegates.

Completed building concern forms should be submitted to UniServ Director Kelly Paine.

Envelopes for A-PAC were distributed. Members may use the Easy Pay system for deductions. AEA delegates and members are urged to be active and a visible presence at School Board meetings.

President Shelley Jennings and UniServ Director Kelly Paine will prepare talking points to send to delegates for reference when writing protests to the School Board and the Superintendent.

#### AEA Workshops

1. *Teacher Evaluation: What You Really Need to Know* - Kenmore MS Library, Tuesday, October 20, 4:15-6:00
2. *Fifteen Financial Mistakes You can't Afford to Make* – to be offered again.
3. *Dealing With Difficult People* - Kenmore MS, Tuesday, November 17, 4:15-6:00;  
VEA Regional Director of Field Support Beblon Parks will present. New hire members are encouraged to attend.
4. *To Understand: Exploring New Horizons in Reading Comprehension Instruction* - GMU, Saturday, October 24; Ms. O'Keene will present. The \$30 fee is refundable to AEA members only upon submission of a copy of the certificate to the AEA Office.

Wanda Perkins moved to adjourn at 6:00 p.m. Leslie Stockton seconded and the motion passed.