

BRADDOCK DISTRICT COUNCIL
of Community Associations
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“Fairfax County’s School FY 2016 Budget”
Wednesday, February 10, 2016

BDC Business:

- Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM
- Ms. Megan McLaughlin was introduced as a Fairfax County School Board member
- The March 9th BDC meeting will host the Fairfax County Advertised FY 2017 Budget Plan.
- Attendees were reminded of BDC website: <http://www.bdcfx.org>

Supervisor John Cook:

- A proposed bill that will virtually eliminate the use of proffers has arrived in Richmond. It will drastically change the way Fairfax County does business with developers. Right now Fairfax County can ask for amenities to be added to new developments, such as sidewalks, schools, transportation, affordable housing, and parks. The new bill will eliminate these perks making the developers not responsible for such items. It is moving quickly through both houses and will soon be on the governor’s desk. This will greatly change the way Fairfax County operates. More cost will be felt by owners in Fairfax County.

Megan McLaughlin:

- Ms. McLaughlin is the Braddock District School Board Representative. She discussed this year’s proposed school budget and the rationale behind its formulation.
- A budget task force was established for Fairfax County Public School (FCPS) system to provide two potential budget reduction scenarios totaling \$50 million and \$75 million. The information acquired from this task force aided in how FCPS arrived at the FY 2017 budget. This was one action is several other that assisted in arriving at the budget number for FY 2017 budget.
- They would like a 4.8% increase in the budget which is \$2.7 billion. For the last eight years there has been no merit increase for the employees of FCPS. It is requested to have a 1% adjustment for these employees. These employees include teachers, social workers, janitors, administrative assistants, psychologists and others groups of employees.
- The FCPS budget is comprised of 73% county government, 1.6% from the Federal Government, 7.0% sales tax, 43.8% City of Fairfax, state aid 15%, other 0.8% reserves 0.5% and beginning balance 1%.
- There is great concern about losing qualified teachers and staff to other counties for pay more and have in addition affordable housing. Fairfax County is very expensive to live in. This is why the FCPS would like to increase the merit pay by 1%. There is also concern about the growing number of students. This caused classrooms as large as 30 students.
- There was good interaction between the BDC members and Ms. McLaughlin concerning the FCPS budget plan. The budget for FCPS budget was very informative and many participants asked stimulating questions. Feedback on the FCPS budget is appreciated and can be sent to fcpsinfo@fcps.edu .
- Additional information can also be found at http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dmb/county_budget_calendar.htm .

Braddock District Council of Community Association, Inc
Treasurer's Report
2015 - 2016 Budget

February 10, 2016

The following is a summary of activities on the 2 funding programs of the Council:

BDC Fund				
Balance May 13, 2015				<u><u>\$4,556.85</u></u>
12 memberships paid in July /December for 2015/16			\$500.00	
7 memberships paid in February for 2015/16			\$345.00	
Total 29 membeships paid (2014/2015)		\$1,531.00		
			\$845.00	
Expenses				
	Best of Braddock			
	7/8/2015 Red, Hot and Blue	\$798.35		
	7/8/2015 Cake	\$126.00		
	7/8/2015 Misc	\$16.36	\$940.71	
	12/15/2015 Aging in Place refreshments		\$53.12	
	1/14/2016 Get well gift for Secretary		\$56.60	
			\$1,050.43	
Balance	February 10, 2016			<u><u>\$4,351.42</u></u>
Per action of the Braddock District Council at the meeting on June 10, 2015, the balance of \$1024.96 in the Braddock Road Beautificaton fund was transferred and merged with the balance of \$111.72 in the Mary Read Memorial fund for continuing update of the site.				
	Mary Read Memorial			
Balance				<u><u>\$1,136.68</u></u>
Total Checking Account Balance	February 10, 2016			<u><u>\$5,488.10</u></u>

BUDGET FOR 2015 /2016

	BUDGET 2014/2015	ACTURAL FOR 2014/2015	PROPOSED BUDGET 2015/2016
Balance at beginning of year		\$3,355.29	\$3,616.14
2014-2015 dues Collected*	28	\$1,531.00	
2015 -2016 dues Collected	19		\$845.00
2015 -2016 dues Projected	21		<u>\$1,355.00</u>
[@ average of \$55}	40		<u>\$2,200.00</u>
Total funds available		\$4,886.29	\$5,816.14
Information Forum	\$300.00		\$100.00
Legislative Forum	\$200.00	\$137.64	\$200.00
State Corp. Commission	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
Best of Braddock	\$1,350.00	\$940.71	\$1,300.00
Web-site (two year payment)	\$150.00	\$166.80	
New Initiatives for 2015-2016			\$300.00
Administratrive cost (including mailing and printing)	\$250.00		\$250.00
Total expenses	<u>\$2,275.00</u>	<u>\$1,270.15</u>	<u>\$2,175.00</u>
Projeted BDC Balance August 31		<u><u>\$3,616.14</u></u>	<u><u>\$3,641.14</u></u>

* 2014-2015 average dues per member -\$55 / 2015-2016 Projected 40 members @ \$55

Submitted by:
Thomas B McDonald, Jr.
Treasurer

February 10, 2016

There were 14 member associations present with 38 attendees.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:15 PM

Submitted by
Barbara Varvaglione, Secretary, BDC

Approved by
Cliff Keenan, Chairman