

BCA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING NOTES
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2011, 7:00 PM
ARLINGTON TRADITIONAL SCHOOL

7:00 p.m. Call to Order

Avis Black–Michelle Shelton Conference Call: On October 21, BCA President Judah dal Cais had a 15-minute conversation with Safeway representatives Avis Black and Michelle Shelton about the Wilson Blvd. Safeway property. Avis Black is friends with BCA Civic Federation alternate Sandy Munnell. She encouraged Avis to call Judah. Some Executive Board members expressed desire to have others participate in the next conference call with Safeway. Judah agreed that future meetings and calls with developers and county officials on the subject of Wilson Blvd. development would include others from the board.

November and December Newsletter: Carla dal Cais expressed the need for articles to be contributed for upcoming newsletters. BCA Civic Federation delegate Suzanne Sundburg offered possible topics and gave several names of people (below) who might be able to contribute to the newsletter:

- Joan Horwitt (Reeves farm property)
- Dan Redmond (urban agriculture)
- Norma Palmatier (parks issues)
- Ed Fendley (the Egg Project)
- Allen Munchnick (High Occupancy Toll [HOT] lanes)
- Notable trees
- Alternative dates for the November and December meetings, which occur earlier in the month due to the holidays
- A recap of the September meeting because notes were not taken and posted
- Interview with the Project Manger Curtis Adams of The Jordan (AHC Corporation), affordable housing building at N. Wakefield and Wilson Blvd.

Deadlines: Send articles to Carla by November 2. Carla and Sam will send to the Executive Board for review on Sunday, November 6. Edits should be sent to her on Monday, November 7. Carla will send out a schedule.

Carla described the following two regular segments that will appear in the newsletters:

- **Bluemont Biz Buzz:** In this new segment showcasing local businesses, Federal Lock & Safe was featured in September; Covet will be featured in November, and D&V Service Center will be featured in December.
- **Bygone Bluemont:** This new segment will feature interviews of seniors in the Bluemont neighborhood or other facts about the neighborhood.

Approval of August Meeting Notes: The August notes were approved with edits that BCA First Vice-President George Rovder committed to sending Chitra Kumar, BCA Secretary, before the next meeting.

The Jordan Ribbon-Cutting: Judah described what he learned at the ribbon-cutting ceremony for The Jordan. The building has 90 units of affordable housing, mostly 2- and 3-bedroom units. Arlington County pushed for these affordable units. The developer contributed a large amount of money in the financing of the building, based on the value of a land-swap, which was thought to have been valued at around \$4M. The initial tenants moved in during the first week of September. The developer is now taking offers for the old Jordan Manor site to build townhouses. It was suggested that BCA might want to ask the company to speak at a future meeting, once an offer has been accepted, so that members have an opportunity to review the architectural. During the ribbon-cutting, Judah also found out that the consulting company Accenture is moving its Reston employees to the new building located on the former Bob Peck Chevrolet site.

7:32 Adjourn Executive Board Meeting and transition to General Membership Meeting