

**BLUEMONT CIVIC ASSOCIATION**  
**Executive Board Meeting**  
**February 22, 2012, 7:00 p.m.**  
**Arlington Traditional School**

**Call to Order and Attendance**

President Judah dal Cais called the meeting to order at approximately 7:05 p.m. Present in addition to Judah were 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President George Rovder; Treasurer Judy Collins; Secretary Chitra Kumar; Neighborhood Conservation (NC) Representative Larry Smith and Alternate Representative Mark Haynes; and Civic Federation delegates and alternates Suzanne Sundburg, Sam Ferro, and Dean Foster. Others in attendance included NC Plan Update Committee Chair David Van Wagner, and BCA members John Herickhoff, and Alan Sundburg.

**Approval of Executive Board Minutes for January 2012**

Minutes (taken by Suzanne Sundburg in Secretary Chitra Kumar's absence) from the January Executive Board meeting were approved without edits.

**Newsletter Articles for March/April Needed**

Judah opened a discussion about the need for articles for the joint March and April newsletter. Board members suggested, variously, to cover La Union and a number of other local businesses for the "Bluemont Business Buzz" section. In addition, there will be an article in the newsletter covering Neighborhood Day, which will be on May 12, and an article about the upcoming June elections for new BCA Board for which John Herickhoff and Bob Atkins will be the nominating committee. In addition, Judah stated that Dave Van Wagner and Sam Ferro would write up a call for a vote on a petition for bocce court.

**Recap of 800 N. Glebe Site Plan Amendment (SP #401)**

The previous week George Rovder, Suzanne Sundburg, and Judah dal Cais participated in a visit to the site in question. Based on the site visit and input from the Board, Judah sent a letter saying BCA is not objecting but asking County staff to look into whether the Virginia Tech building next door is complying with the agreement with the community set forth in the original site plan. The site plan amendment was to change one parcel of retail space to a management/leasing office. The County will be asking the building management to keep the option open to change it back to retail. BCA officers were told that the change was not going to make it more inconvenient for other confirmed tenants or make it less attractive to other potential tenants to come in. Those who visited all came away feeling like the change was not a big deal.

Judah further explained other changes to retail parcels. Next to the existing PF Chang's will be the restaurant, World of Beers and 950 Glebe will be Buffalo Wild Wings. Participants asked if there was any recourse if the VA Tech has changed its plans to use its retail space from the original idea of a "Café Scientifique." It was suggested that BCA could let the County Board know if we are unhappy with any changes, even if we can't actually have an impact. After a detailed description of the process that the Committee went through to arrive at this decision, participants felt comfortable with the position.

The meeting concluded at approximately 7:30 pm.