

ARLINGTON WOMEN'S CIVIC ALLIANCE  
Minutes – General Membership Meeting  
September 11, 2024

AWCA President Angie Wilcox called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. She welcomed everyone and thanked our hostess, Carrie Branon. Angie promised to keep the Business portion of the evening brief to allow the members to enjoy the food, wine and good company.

Treasurer

Treasurer Emily Kiggen reported the Alliance is nicely solvent and she is preparing to file a tax return on behalf of the organization. She asked for the group's support in finding a new tax accountant, as well.

Hospitality

Angie thanked Tammy Holleman and Basma Paget for the wonderful appetizers and delicious drinks. It was all beautifully displayed.

Volunteer Services

Carrie Branon and Erin Langley thanked everyone for bringing a generous amount of school supply donations to the September membership meeting (which ultimately garnered an overwhelming number of supplies to support foster care children in Arlington County). During the meeting, it was an honor to host Erica Serrano from Arlington County Family and Child Services. She shared details about Arlington's foster care system, their programs and current needs. She thanked the Alliance for our continued support, including the school supply collections and hosting of their Annual Holiday party. Erica confirmed that our efforts make a very meaningful difference to their organization and its recipients.

Membership

Nicki Ferramosca reported there are currently 80 active members, and reminded everyone of the basic requirements of membership. She led a warm welcome and introductions for each of our new members, including: Paula Frishman, Nicole Hobbs, Helen Lee, Elizabeth Livingood, Katie Matheson, Cindy McCool, Carol McCoskrie, Ashley Rickenbach and Jane Wishneff.

Communications

Maureen Caughran asked all members to contribute their "news" to be included in the AWCA newsletter.

Community Support

Kathleen McKenna and Sarah Trimmer thanked everyone for their support of last year's

efforts—and shared that they are still researching options for the 2024-2025 recipient organizations. The President reminded the group that once these options are determined, there will be a formal vote to approve funding at the December meeting.

#### New Business

There was no new business discussed at this meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by the President at 8:30 pm.

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Katie Reed.