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VISION 2020 STANDING COMMITTEE Approved MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2012 MEETING

Present: Andrew Fischer, Bruce Fitzsimmons, Joey Glushko, Mary Harrison, Elizabeth Karpati, Josh Lobel, Charlotte Milan, Brucie Moulton, Tarajee Pass. Guest: Alan Manoian.

Absent: Paul Bayer, Kathleen Bodie, Adam Chapdelaine, Dan Dunn, William Hayner, Jane Howard, John Leone, Cheryl Miller, Angela Olszewski.

- The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as amended.
- Alan Manoian, the recently hired Economic Development Officer for Arlington, led a discussion of the need for economic development for the Town, which is mostly residential.

The upcoming Master Planning process and the next census survey will be used to gather community input.

- Planning for Town Day, September 15: Joey Glushko has a large new poster with the goals for all the Vision 2020 Task groups, and some "Wanted"-type posters publicizing the plant thefts from the Reservoir habitat garden. Some modifications for the latter were suggested. Josh Lobel has a button-maker and offered to make buttons with their names for all who signed up to staff the Vision 2020 tables. Members of the Diversity group will also be wearing We should stand in front of the tables and actively try to talk to people as they walk by rather than stay behind the tables and wait for questions.
- Task group reporting was kept to a minimum so that time was available to discuss Town Day planning. Mary Harrison and Brucie Moulton, the co-chairs, have met with Angela Olszewski and Cheryl Miller, who are going to reactivate the Governance group. Brucie also reported for Sustainable Arlington that enough households have signed up with SolarFlair to reach Tier 3 pricing, and many more are interested.
- Next year's Standing Committee meetings were tentatively planned for the second Wednesday of every month (except when conflicting with Town Meeting). It was suggested to have one meeting every quarter on a Tuesday instead so that people with conflicts on Wednesday could attend at least sometimes. Joey Glushko will check which Tuesdays would pose the fewest conflicts.