

Leeway Overlee (LO) Civic Association (CA)

Minutes of General Membership Meeting

Tues., April 18, 2017, 7:30 p.m. at Resurrection Lutheran Church (basement hall)

A “Candidates’ Night” for County Board candidates was held in advance of the Arlington County Democratic Committee Caucus to be held in the first half of May. On behalf of the four Greater Westover Civic Associationsⁱ, Leeway Overlee NCACⁱⁱ Representative Rob Swennes explained the ground rules of the debate. Candidates then proceeded to introduce themselves.

Participating candidates were (in order as presented) Peter Fallon, Kim Klingler, Audrey Clement (Green Party candidate, not participating in the ACDC Caucus), Vivek Patil, and Erik Gutshall.

Following introductions, Mr. Swennes read questions written by audience members and candidates answered them in rotating order.

Questions and answers focused on I-66 Eastbound inside the beltway (expansion and tolls), WMATA/Metro (how to improve performance & accountability), housing (including affordable options, density, and single family neighborhoods), green space/tree canopy (including the Reeves’ Land area), schools (including a new elementary school at Reed School and bond funding to address school needs), taxes (notably the proposed increase in the County’s real property tax rate), Lee Highway and the re-development planning work of the Lee Highway Alliance, and whether Arlington should be a sanctuary community.

Results of the Caucus, which also resulted in selection of a School Board candidate, may be found at <http://www.arlingtondemocrats.org/2017/05/14/2017-county-boardschool-board-results/>.

ⁱ In addition to Leeway Overlee, these are Highland Park Overlee Knolls, Tara Leeway, and Westover.

ⁱⁱ Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee