CALENDAR HOUSE MEMBERSHIP ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING January 30, 2025

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER -At 1:00 p.m. Vice President Mark White called the membership meeting to order.

ROLL CALL - Paul Lundie called the roll.

Directors & Officers present: Mark White, Mary Robarge, Mary Dubuque, Paul Lundie, Laurie Bleau, Joanne Chenkus, Peg Ciervo, Cynthia Herron, Dawn Sargis, Denise Roy, Janet Turner, Rachel Wache, Liz Chubet

Absent: Gerry Comtois, Maryann Comtois.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The pledge of allegiance was led by Mark White.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Minutes of Previous Meeting – Mark White asked the membership if they saw the December minutes and asked for approval of the minutes.

Motion: A motion to approve the December minutes was made by member 1 from the floor and seconded by member 2 from the floor. Unanimous vote of approval.

Swearing in of Directors and Officers – Dawn Sargis gave the installation pledge to all the officers. At the completion of the installation pledge, she introduced the new officers to the membership. Denise Roy as President, Janet Turner in charge of Fund Raising, Rachel Wache also in charge of Fund Raising and Maryann Comtois in charge of Membership Events and Entertainment. Dawn recognized outgoing Membership Events and Entertainment officer, Joanne Chenkus

At the completion of the pledge, Denise Roy took over as President. She thanked Vice President, Mark White for taking over the duties of President for the past few months.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Laurie Bleau gave the Treasurer's Report for December 2024. The Treasurer's Report is posted on the bulletin board.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT – Mary Dubuque said for the month of December there were 29 deceased members and two thank you notes were written. The list is posted on the bulletin board. There were 17 new members.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Membership Events & Entertainment – Denise Roy said Maryann Comtois was not able to attend today's meeting so we will have the Membership Events and Entertainment report at the next meeting. For today's entertainment we have Jukebox Bingo with Aaron Demarest.

Finance – Status & Upcoming Target Dates - Cynthia Herron gave the finance report that was passed out. See attachment

Fund Raising – Janet Turner said she got a certificate donated from Fascia's Chocolate for a Chocolate Experience tour for four people where they will have a Candy Bar Making Experience. This will be raffled off at today's membership meeting. She will be passing out the raffle tickets.

Janet reported she is working on a Chick-fil-A Spirit Night at the Southington Chick-fil-A. You can bring friends and grandchildren but you must say you are from Southington Senior Center and they will put some money aside that will come back to the membership association. She will have handouts that you can put in your cars as reminders.

Janet is working on Mission Barbeque Spirit Night.

By-Laws - No report

SPECIAL REPORTS

Calendar House Director and Program Director's Report – Dawn Sargis reported that the building heater repair has been completed. The plumbing leaks and hot water issues have been fixed.

On February 4 Maximum Security will be here testing the fire alarm. There will be some loud noise during the testing.

The ARPA Grant funds have been received by the town and we can begin working on some of the projects. Some of the projects are the outdoor pickle ball court, larger shed, a new rowing machine, automatic closures for the lobby restrooms, and a retractable awning for the patio.

Nutrition Program Update - Starting February 1st the \$3.00 meals will be limited to 15 people. Any more than 15 people the price will be \$5.50. Dawn is working with Bread for Life to find ways to minimize cost.

A member asked why we are working with this company? Why can't we work with someone else? Dawn explained the way the program works. It is federally funded by the Older Americans Act and they failed to reauthorize the Act. We don't hire RW Solutions. We allow them to use our facilities for their program.

The member described the various situations that bring people here for the food. Dawn suggests that they contact their Congressman to get the program reauthorized. Dawn said she is looking for other options on how to handle this situation.

Another member asked why we are subsidizing more than we are taking in. Laurie Bleau explained where our money is and what the various funds are for. Mark White explained the difference between 501c3 and 501c4 and how it affects our taxes.

Denise Roy spoke about getting member suggestions for what they would like to have at Calendar House.

Liz Chubet said they had such a great attendance to the Backyard Birds that they will be doing it again February 5. There will be a Low Cost Health & Wellness Veterinary Clinic February 28. You will have to register on line.

In March we will have another Lunch and Learn 'Who are My People and Where Do I Find Them?' program, and Beyond the Breed: Exploring Dog DNA program.

Liz is collaborating with the Alzheimer's Association to bring in some brain health programs.

Unfinished Business - none

New Business – Denise Roy announced that we have some paintings donated by Diane McDonald that will be raffled off at the next meeting.

GENERAL GOOD AND WELFARE OF THE ASSOCIATION – Janet Turner held the raffle for the Fascia's Chocolate Experience.

Announcements

The next BOD meeting will be Thursday February 27, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. at Calendar House.

Next Calendar House Membership meeting: Thursday March 27, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. at Calendar House.

Motion: A motion to adjourn was made by member 1 from the floor and seconded by member 2 from the floor. Unanimous vote of approval.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Paul Lundie, Secretary

Attachment: CHMA expenditures

CALENDAR HOUSE MEMBERSHIP ASSOCIATION - 2024

(This Is How Your Money Was Spent)

Expenditure	Description	Amount
External Food Events	Polish Night, Italian Night, Holiday Party (Ticket Subsidy, Entertainment, Taxes, Service Charge)	4,165
Internal Food Events	St. Patricks Day, Volunteer Breakfast, Fried Chicken Dinner, Hot Dog Bingo, Pool Tournament Pizza, Membership Meetings	3,302
CHMA Paid Programs	History of Husky Hoops, Time to Plant the Peas, Rose Queen of the Flowers, Crystal Singing Bowls Sound Bath, Beginner Ukulele Class, The History of Brass Buttons, The Greatest Sitcoms	943
Entertainment	Membership Meetings, Valentines Party	2,500
Miscellaneous	Library Book Shelves, Mahjong Cards, Bingo Prizes, Coffee, Supplies	3,946
		14,856
	2024 Donations	9,031
	Shortfall	(5,825)