# CALENDAR HOUSE MEMBERSHIP ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING May 29, 2025

## **MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER** –At 1:00 p.m. President Denise Roy 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, Cynthia Herron, Dawn Sargis, Maryann Comtois, Denise Roy, Janet Turner, Rachel Wache, Liz Chubet

Absent: Peg Ciervo.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - The pledge of allegiance was led by Denise Roy.

## REPORTS OF OFFICERS

**Minutes of Previous Meeting** – Paul Lundie said the March minutes were posted on the bulletin board outside of the computer lab and asked if there were any comments.

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

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – Laurie Bleau gave the Treasurer's Report for April 2025. Today we approved using some of the funds in the Hospital account for the purchase of a transport wheel chair. The Treasurer's Report is on line and posted on the bulletin board.

A member asked what's the story on the wheelchair. Dawn Sargis said that we need to have a transport wheelchair available at all times. The current one was a donation and is in poor condition.

Another member asked what are we saving the money in our General Account for. Laurie said 'Inflation'. Denise Roy also commented that when reviewing the budget for this year there will be a shortage, therefore we will be spending down approximately \$7800 of those funds.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT** – Mary Dubuque said there were 20 deceased members for April and no thank you notes were written. A get well card was written to Peg Ciervo who is on the Board and in healthcare now. There were 31 new members.

# REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

**Membership Events & Entertainment** – Maryann Comtois said today we have the Elderly Brothers, Brian Gillie and Tom Stankus. At the July meeting, the JCDC Entertainment will be back.

**Fundraising** – Janet Turner thanked those who made purchases at the Fascia's Chocolate fund raiser. That made \$139.75 for the membership association. The Fascia's Chocolates tour that had been canceled took place. She described how the winners of the tour made and enjoyed chocolates.

The Chick-fil-A fundraiser took place April 17 and we received a check for \$167.05. She could not get a count of how many participated from Chick-fil-A but with about 70 people signing up that would be about \$10 each.

Janet held today's raffles of Girl Scout cookies, a 6-piece screwdriver set donated by Lowe's, \$25.00 gift card from Stop & Shop and a fire pit donated by Home Depot.

**Finance** – Cynthia Herron reported that the first quarter audit was done in early May.

## SPECIAL REPORTS

**Calendar House Director's Report** – Dawn Sargis reported that we are having a staffing change July 1<sup>st</sup>. The town budget for fiscal year 25/26 was approved with the elimination of an Administrative Assistant II position at the library. Following the union contract the current employee in the Administrative Assistant II position, Tiffany Atkins, will bump the Calendar House Administrative Assistant II position held by Roxanne Avitabile. Roxanne will take a position at the Tax Department. We thank Roxanne for her four years and hard work at Calendar House and wish her well in her new position. She will be missed! We also welcome Tiffany to Calendar House and wish her well in her new position.

Dawn also congratulated Liz Chubet who passed her CHOICES exam and will begin shadowing me assisting members with the Medicare Savings Program and general Medicare related issues.

The Fine Arts & Crafts Exhibit will be held Saturday, May 31st from 2:00 to 4:00 pm.

ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) Grant Projects

The fitness rowing machine will be ordered next week.

We are waiting for electrical quotes for work needed for the Automatic Door Opener & Closers for the restrooms.

Request for bid are out on PlanetBids and are due June 13th for Outdoor Pickleball Court, Storage Garage and Motorized Patio Canopy

Dawn commented about the suggestions received.

Can we remove the table in the entrance that people leave items for donation?

There are those that want the table and those that want it removed. For now, we will leave it and put up a sign limiting items to be left, but clear it off periodically.

Can we have more day trips with the Dial-A Ride bus?

We have to prioritize transportation for medical appointments, food shopping, driver availability and our budget, but will continue to monitor to see if it is a possibility.

Can we have a 35 mm photography class?

A search for Adult Ed classes on 35 mm photography in the area did not return any available at this time. If we can find someone willing to volunteer their time to teach a class we would run one. If anyone knows of someone interested, please contact Liz Chubet.

Can we have another Crystal Bowls class?

A Sound Bath Meditation is being offered on Friday June, 20th from 12:30 to 1:30. You must pre-register and pay \$10 to the instructor at the time of class.

Can Bread For Life Lunch be held 3 days/week at a higher donation?

Currently I do not see a need for a change but will talk with Bread for Life to get their thoughts if we were to go with a \$4 donation.

A member asked about moving some of the stuff stored in the craft room. We are aware of the situation and are working to resolve it. The outdoor storage garage that is part of the ARPA projects will give us more storage options.

A member asked about being open later in the summer because many people do not have air conditioning. Currently we are unable to change our hours, however we do on occasion offer evening and weekend programs.

**Calendar House Program Director's Report** – Liz Chubet said that for those that are in Carol Langly's walking group, she is out due to an injury so the June walks are canceled. The walks will start again in September.

Next week we will have a Caregiving discussion Wednesday, June 4 at 1:00 pm.

Valentine the Clown will be here Monday, June 9 at 1:00 pm.

Thursday, June 12th at 5:00 pm we will have a screening of the documentary "Human Forever".

Thursday, June 19th at 1:00pm to 3:00 we will have our first Plant Swap.

Thursday, June 26th at 1:00pm we will have Orthopedic Ankle Injuries and How to Prevent them.

Liz said we looking for people join us at Bread for Life and the Calendar House partner and Alzheimer's group Paul Gap. We are having Music Bingo and lunch. We are looking to fill 16 seats. This will be on June  $10^{th}$  at 1:30 pm.

**By-Laws** – No changes

## **Unfinished Business**

Suggestion Box - Denise Roy said that she received more suggestions. They were covered by Dawn.

**Seeking Volunteers with IT Background** – Mark White described some of the IT skills we need and asked that they contact him.

**New Business** - NR

General Good And Welfare of the Association - NR

## **Announcements**

The next BOD meeting will be Thursday June 26, 2025 at 10:15 a.m. at Calendar House.

Next Calendar House Membership meeting: Thursday July 31, 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 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Paul Lundie, Secretary