CALENDAR HOUSE MEMBERSHIP ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING November 20, 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, Cynthia Herron, Dawn Sargis, Maryann Comtois, Denise Roy, Janet Turner, Rachel Wache, Liz Chubet.

Absent: Laurie Bleau, 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 September minutes have been posted on the bulletin board and if anyone has any comments about it please let him know.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Cynthia Herron gave the Treasurer's Report for October 2025. The Treasurer's Report is posted on the bulletin board.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT – Mary Dubuque said for the month of October there were 8 deceased members and we got 38 new members. There were no thank you notes written.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Membership Events & Entertainment – Maryann Comtois welcomed Judy Pancoast our entertainment this afternoon. Next month we will have the Jukebox Boys who go under the name of the Coconuts.

Fundraising– Janet Turner thanked our members for supporting the Panera Bread fundraiser which was held November 7th from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. Our organization brought in \$457.78 and we received \$114.45 back from Panera Bread. Thanks to Mark White, she spoke with a lady from South Carolina and told her to go to Calendarhouse.org and pull up the flyer. She did and we got additional income from a totally perfect stranger.

Janet said we are going to do more fundraisers next year. She hasn't put anything together yet. Today we have four raffles and a fifth one, a \$30 gift card from Walmart.

Janet asked the membership for guilty gifts, new unwanted gifts, they can donate to the membership for the free raffles. If anyone knows of any other fundraisers that we could participate in, to let her know.

Finance – Cynthia Herron said the No Bake Sale brought in \$8773.00 and the audit was done on November 10th and went well.

Denise Roy said at next month's meeting we will be presenting a report showing what was subsidized this year, the cost of meals, what members paid and how much the Membership Association picked up. Also, we will show you the incomes that were collected this year. She thanked those who gave to the No Bake Sale. As such we will be able to spend more next year and are working on the budget now. We will get it approved at the Board meeting in December and present it to the membership in January. We are planning more events inhouse next year.

By-Laws – Mark White said no change to the By-Laws.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Calendar House Director's Report -

ARPA Projects:

Dawn Sargis said the Pickleball court has been constructed. The concrete is curing. The fencing was installed this week. The coatings, lining and final grading will be done next spring.

The storage garage was delivered October and we have already started to move some of the durable medical equipment that has been stored in the arts and crafts room.

The automatic restroom door openers and closers have been installed in the main bathroom and the one by the pool room. If you find a door stop do not put it in the door to keep it open. We want everyone to get used to using the push button. The automatic system was installed so that we could keep the doors closed.

The building permit was approved for the awning and I am working with the installer on final details. I am looking forward to using that space next year so the sun is not blazing down on everyone.

From Suggestions Received

<u>Electrical outlets in the floor</u>. JSA Electric is looking to see if we can replace them without any cost.

<u>Foot clinic nurse</u>. Our new foot clinic nurse Katie Goshdigian, She is a Registered Nurse and held her first clinic here on November 10th. She has several dates available through March. Please inquire at the front desk if you would like to make an appointment. The cost of her clinics is \$30.

<u>Vending machine</u>. In the next few weeks, a snack vending machine will be installed in the hallway near the computer lab. The machine will offer a variety of snacks and payment options will include cash, debit/credit, tap-to-pay and mobile wallets. For the time being, the soda machine will remain in the cardio room with Coca-Cola as our vendor.

Renters Rebate:

All rent rebate checks have been processed by OPM and will be mailed tomorrow Friday November 21st. All checks this year have been reduced by 1.9%. So please expect that the estimated grant amount on your letter will be reduced by that amount. As always, a huge thank you to Maxine Plourde for her volunteer work on this program. Maxine processed 344 Renters Rebate applications this year which equates to \$174,583.38 for Calendar House applicants after the 1.9% reduction.

If you are a homeowner, in February you can check with the Southington Assessor's Department to see if you qualify to apply for the State of CT Elderly and Totally Disabled Homeowners Program for a tax credit. You can also check with the Assessor's office to see if there are other exemptions that might be available to you.

Energy Assistance:

A reminder that we are currently accepting applications for the CT Energy Assistance Program. The annual income guidelines for this heating season are a gross max of \$47,764 for a single individual and \$62,640 for a couple. There is information in our newsletter on how to apply. If you have questions, you can see me or stop at the front desk.

Medicare Annual Enrollment Period:

A reminder that the Medicare Annual Enrollment period ends December 7th. If you haven't reviewed your Medicare coverage now is the time to do so. If you are need of some guidance on that please contact me.

Scams:

The Town Manager recently shared information on preventing financial scams among CT Seniors. There are flyers at each table highlighting common tactics and techniques for these scams, what to watch out for, what to do if you are a victim, and where to seek help. Please take a minute to review this and share with your family or caregiver so they can also provide help.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Calendar House Program Director's Report – Liz Chubet said if you haven't received any emails from me to come and see me to be added to the contact list. We are using Constant Contact now which is an email service that shows all of our programs and how you can register for them.

Today is the last day to purchase tickets for the Holiday Party at the Aqua Turf. They are \$42.00 per person.

The Intergenerational BINGO tickets went on sale today. We are hoping to fill the event as it has in the past. We will be partnering with Youth Services on this. Jon Esmail will be working with the grandchildren making ornaments and he will also supply the cookies. The tickets are \$5.00 for grandparents and the children are free.

The Herron Family Singers will be here Christmas Eve day from 10:00 to 11:00 am.

January 5th we are going to have our New Years Day party. It will be Disco themed. More information to come.

Liz asked for volunteers to help with some of these events. Even if it is just serving some food or for helping in other ways. If you want to volunteer, see her and she will add you to the list.

Liz announced on December 1^{st} from 12 - 2 pm we are having our first movie matinee. It will be held in classroom two and is White Christmas. You can bring your lunch.

Unfinished Business

Suggestion Box - Denise Roy reminded people that the suggestion box is out in the lobby. We take them all seriously but there are some that are out of control. There are several that have been implemented and we will try to continue that.

New Business

Nomination Process – Denise Roy said we have three Directors whose terms end this year. They are Denise Roy as President, Mark White as Vice President and Peg Ciervo in charge of volunteers. The three have chosen to renew their terms but if there is anyone who is interested in joining the Board, to let Denise know by December $10^{\rm th}$ so we can prepare for an election.

Denise said our Treasurer has been out for surgery. We do not know when she will be returning. If anyone has expertise in bookkeeping, Quicken or something similar who would be willing to help us out to please see Cynthia Herron or myself.

General Good And Welfare of the Association – Denise Roy asked if there was questions. There were none.

Announcements

The next BOD meeting will be Thursday December 18, 2025 at 10:15 a.m. at Calendar House.

Next Calendar House Membership meeting: Thursday December 18, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. at Calendar House.

Entertainment Today – Judy Pancoast

The raffle prize drawings will be held after adjournment.

Adjournment:

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.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Paul Lundie, Secretary