

CENTURY HOUSE ASSOCIATION
Chairperson's Meeting Minutes
Monday Feb 01 2023 at 10:00 AM in ABC Room

1. **Call to Order and Welcome** - Joy St. John (President) 10:01AM

2. **Acknowledgement** – Don Northup

Attendance: Joy St. John (President), Bibiana Lampert (Vice President), Gloria Haug (Treasurer), Michael Blanchard (Secretary) Dan Northup (Member at Large), Linda Kenning (Member at Large)

Staff: Hannah Glavin (Acting Program Coordinator), Shelley Schnee (Acting Recreation Supervisor)

Members in person: Anne Ladouceur (Events Planning Committee), Debbie Tommila (CH Singers), Earl Christensen (Whist and Court Whist), Kathy Lynn (Parkinson Support Group), Lynn Bittner-Jobson (BP clinic), Linda Wilson (Carpet Bowlers), Mary Gagnon (Bid Euchre), Richard Nazarewich (CH Walkers), Shirley Miller (Ukulele), Wanda Madokoro (English Conversation), Yvette Gagnon (CH Dragon Boat), Laura Ansthruther (Quilting), Claudette Campbell (CH Players), Diane Clark (Tuesday Crafts), Pat McDonald (CH Peer Support)

Members on zoom: Saundra Keayes (Past President), Tim Hicks (SET) Mike Wilson (Darts), Pauline Joyce (French Conversation), Elizabeth Christie (Wednesday Crafts), Val Caldecott (Bridge Social), Mariette Leppert (Century House Artists)

3. **Adoption of Agenda**

Moved by Kathy Lynn **Seconded** by Richard Nazarewich **CARRIED**

4. **Adoption of the Chairpersons' Meeting Minutes of Dec 07, 2022**

Moved by Gloria Haug **Seconded** by Michael Blanchard **CARRIED**

5. **Old Business** –

a) A request for lighting improvement in the multi-purpose room/gym see point 7 New Business, Section C.

b) Joy spoke with the Bursary Committee on fundraising ideas such as a daytime trivia event - The fundraising proposals from the Bursary Committee will be discussed and considered at the Feb 16 2023 Bursary Committee Meeting.

ACTION: Joy to update next Chair meeting.

c) Joy reminded all Chairpersons to ask their group members to make sure they have a Century House Membership.

6. **Treasurer's Report** - Gloria has completed and shared the 2022 Treasury Reports. The January reports were not yet available at this meeting.

Moved by Mary Gagnon **Seconded** by Linda Kenning **CARRIED**

7. **New Business**

- a) Joy - Election Packages are on the way for the first half of February. This package will include Group Leadership Responsibilities, Member List, Nomination Chart, Election Notes (Liaison communication) Election Procedures and Code of Conduct). Elections to be completed by the end of March.

- b) 65th Birthday Celebrations for Century House Association - Joy mentioned the month of June as being the best for this event. Slogan: After a brief exchange of ideas the group voted for:

Century House is 65 - Staying Strong, Moving Forward

Motion - Banner on Front Desk with slogan

Moved by Anne Ladouceur **Seconded** by: Kathy Lynn **CARRIED**

- c) Summer Bazaar - Fundraiser for CH. Joy asked for volunteers, especially an overseer and/or Chairperson to help organize the event.

8. **Coffee break** – 10 minutes (10:30AM to 10:40AM)

9. **Staff Report** - Shelly - CH is currently using city-approved LED lighting. Ryan and Mandeep are looking for other possible solutions such as a dimmer switch. If a potential solution is found, it must work for all members/users of the multi-purpose room/gym.

ACTION: Shelly to update next Chair meeting.

Shelly also mentioned an upcoming CH Facilities Tour by some senior city staff members

10. **Activity Group Highlights**

- a) Events Planning Committee Report (Anne)
- Movie Day typically attracts 24/25 people on the 2nd Saturday every month for \$3.
 - Starting Karaoke Dance Parties on Saturday with light refreshments \$6 - \$8

- Birthdays continue to be popular with 100+ people.
 - Anne is considering some afternoon events in March for those that cannot make the evening ones. The first event is a Frank Sinatra Tribute.
 - Murder Mystery - Extremely popular with a waiting list.
- b) Highlights – Each Activity Group Chairperson is welcome to have a SHORT report on highlights. (Minutes are available for viewing monthly on the Bulletin Board)
- Networking Circle - In Clarion
 - Joy St. John - Lunar New Year was a group effort that ended up being a resounding success. CH will remain closed on Sundays for the balance of 2023.
 - Pat McDonald - Peer Support - This group is donation driven. In 2022 they trained 12 volunteers and upgraded 6. It was noted 5 of these were males. Professional development for volunteers is always needed. Help Line has seen an increase in callers. Especially in the age group of 90+. In the calendar year 2022, 890 minutes of help were tallied. Mostly grief-related issues. Continuing to apply for grants.
 - Dianne Clark - Crafts - back from medical leave one of the group's members did a needlework of a school bus and Charlie Brown is hanging at Lord Kelvin School.
 - Claudette Campbell mentioned the Century House Players will be on stage on 12th and 13th of May performing three plays.
 - Lynn Bittner-Jobson - Blood Pressure clinic - Detected very elevated blood pressure in 3 individuals.
 - Earl Christensen - Both Whist and Court Whist continue to be very popular and this group could be outgrowing their Oak Room location.
 - Richard Nazarewich - CH Walkers - Attendance is largely weather driven. They get 14-15 people now which is up from last year. (was 23-27 before COVID)

- Wanda Madokoro - English Conversation - Getting more interest from students now but more teachers are needed. There were 6 teachers prior to COVID are now down to 3.

11. **Q&A**

- Mike Wilson - Darts - Group needs two new dart boards.
- Earl Christensen - Asked for clarification on Monthly Group Reports.
- Hannah Glavin - Clarion - Feb 02 is the deadline for March Clarion and March 9 is the deadline for April Clarion.
- General Discussion on room availability for groups.

Shelly: Stated that there should not be any events from 12PM to 1PM these rooms need to be prepared for the next activity.

11. **Inspirational Quote – Bibiana Lampert**

“Try to be a rainbow in someone else’s cloud.”

By Maya Angelou (1929-2014)

She was an American memoirist, popular poet and civil rights activist. She received dozens of awards and more than 50 honorary degrees.

12. **Next meeting – Wednesday, March 01, 2023, at 10 am.**

13. **Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 11:30AM**

Moved by Lynn Bittner-Jobson **Seconded** by Ann Ladoceur **CARRIED**