



Our Mission Statement Hingham Women's Club is an organization of women that serves the Hingham and South Shore communities, providing charitable giving, direct community service, and social opportunities for its members.

Our Vision is to have a local community well served, through partnerships, for those in need.

Hingham Women's Club Board Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2024

7:30pm - 9:00pm

Chris Campbell's Home & online

Board Updates

These are the minutes for the November 19th, 2024 board meeting.

Attendees

- **Board:** (7) - Jenee Melgoza , Chris Campbell , Wendy Hartman , Nancy Hickey, Darleen Lannon, Christine Andrews & Bonnie Baynes

Meeting started at 7:35pm.

A copy of tonight's agenda, as well as draft minutes from our prior meeting, were provided to all attendees.

- October meeting minutes were approved.
- **Community Partners:**
 - Christine put together a list of our community partners that includes a definition of what a community partner is. Jenee and Chris will review and verify for accuracy annually. Tabled for discussion in Feb/Mar meeting.
- **Festival of Trees ("FOT"):**
 - UPDATE: Jenee shared that we have five of our six Star of the Season sponsors, that our scholarships are funded with minimal expenses, and new members have provided lots of help and Wendy created a great template.
 - HC Bar: Chris is organizing the hot chocolate bar. She provided that Starbucks may help with cups and hot chocolate. We discussed and answered questions: Cctr has tables, will be in back of ballroom where bar was last year, no rugs for spills as could be safety/tripping hazard, we will have enough trash cans, kitchen has mops, dumpster by building, we need signs to direct folks to the HC bar.
 - Baked goods: Jenee reminded us all to bake, that others outside HWC are baking, and that Wendy obtained donated cookies from Sugarhill bakery. Darleen will reach out to Victoria to donate cakes.
 - Alcohol bar: Dr. Island donated a keg and two cocktails. Jenee will attend a special town meeting for a vote on our obtaining a special one day license.
 - Beer Pull: Nancy confirmed she does not need helping picking up beer and expects four donated cases. Jenee asked for items sooner for setup and location.
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - 12/02 Book Club
 - 12/04 Senior Center decorating: four folks and Jenee and Christine so far
 - 12/04 - 12/10 2024 Holiday gift giving to SS Friends of the Homeless: Deliver to Caroline's home
 - 12/05 pre-FOT setup meeting
 - 12/06 FOT setup, event, cleanup
 - 12/11 Hingham Food Pantry: organize shelves
 - 12/15 Holiday caroling at Queen Anne's
 - 12/17 Holiday Party with SS Friend of the Homeless: (and cookie baking for Santa)
 - January 2025 Packing lunches at Espace
 - February 2025 Valentines at Senior Center: Jenee will set date

- **Other items discussed:**
 - Questions raised during November Book Club:
 - Why are there no open board meetings? Answer: Folks did not like hearing all the committee reports
 - Should we consider “sprinkling in” more than we have? Answer: This is why we changed to monthly “service” meetings, we will consider adding something (summary/recap) to service meetings to address.
 - There are no botox medical meetings? Answer: No one to run them and no volunteers - we can have if one of the folks wanting it will organize it.
 - How is Whatsapp working? Everyone said well, including Darleen who was receiving multiple items.
 - December 2024 meeting: We will go back to doodle polls for availability and include zoom options for all meetings.
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Meeting ended at 8:35pm. By: Bonnie Baynes, Secretary of Hingham Women’s Club
Minutes approved on