

Lymes' Senior Center Board of Directors Regular Meeting
Lymes' Senior Center, Activity Room
26 Town Woods Road, Old Lyme CT 06371
May 19, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jane Folland, Stephanie Lyon-Gould, Peter Lucchese, Christina Gotowka, Mariette McCourt, Kathy Lockwood, Diana Seckla, Jeremy Crisp, Fred Verillo, David Griswold, Mary Stone, Margaret Thach

MEMBERS ABSENT: Karen Geisler

I. CALL TO ORDER: Peter Lucchese at 1:01

II. GUESTS: None

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

IV. MINUTES OF APRIL 21, 2025 MEETING, Paula Emery

Corrections: Board Members Present - Delete David Griswald. Update on UR Community Cares - Delete second sentence. Insert - He believed the numbers are expunged from their system within 3 days of individual checks. This has yet to be confirmed by URCC. Insert as last sentence - Mariette McCourt asked for a status update of the nurse for the center. Motion to accept the minutes with corrections was put forth by Christina Gotowka, seconded by Diana Seckla. Motion carried.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT: Jane Folland

Report dated April 17, 2025 - May 16, 2025

VI. COMMUNICATIONS: None

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Director's Notes: Stephanie Lyon-Gould

Membership - 1036 current members. The first two weeks in the building have been very busy and a wonderful success. The parking area could use additional handicap parking spaces. We are getting new green cards. In the first two weeks the center received 1161 visits. The building is being used most nights until 7pm. Stephanie is training instructors to unlock and lock the building.

Facilities Report: Stephanie Lyon-Gould

The first two weeks have presented problems which are being corrected: clogged toilets, problems with the front external doors and handicap doors, the stove, electrical outlets missing, etc. The board members discussed drafting a thank you letter to be sent to facilities which hosted the center meals, programming and events during the renovation process.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

Update on the UR Community Cares, Inc. Program for Lyme and Old Lyme: Jeremy

Crisp/Stephanie Lyon Gould/Fred Verillo/Mariette McCourt

Fred, Jeremy and Mariette expressed concern regarding senior awareness of UR Cares. Stephanie put forth the date of September 24 @ 1:00 for the Board to bring in speakers from other areas to present and promote the UR Cares program. Kathy Lockwood suggested a Job Fair for presenting Home Care Agencies to seniors. Stephanie passed out a list of Private Pay Home Care Agencies and Fred passed out a flyer on Shoreline Home Safety.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

Program Ideas/Suggestions: Peter Lucchese/Stephanie Lyon Gould

Stephanie stated that program ideas were her job, not that of the board. She prefers to have people come to her with program suggestions. The purpose of the board is policies and procedures. Margaret Thach read to duties of the board aloud from her copy of the bylaws. Jeremy Crisp put forth the motion that Program Ideas/Suggestions be removed from the Agenda. Mary Stone seconded. All in favor.

Other New Business: None

X. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 2:35 pm. Mary Stone put forth the motion, Margaret Thach seconded. Motion Carried.

Next Regular Meeting: June 16, 2025 at 1:00 at the Senior Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Emery
Recording Secretary