

CHCA Minutes – August 2026

1. **Attendance** – Leslie Caruso, Matt McKeegan, Alan Miroslaw, Mary Ann Ogle, Will Pearce, Lis Rundle, Brittany Smith, Anthony Bader, Chris Rule
2. **Review/Approve prior month's minutes** – *Leslie motion, Will second, passed.*
3. **Treasurer's Report-Fund Balances, Revenues, Expenses, Invoices**
 - **Fund Balance-**
 - Matt sent the budget forecast, YTD P&L, and bank reconciliation forms via email. The approximate account balances were \$976 in savings, \$4,674 in checking, and \$13,423 in the money market savings account, for a total balance of \$19,074.
 - **Membership Drive Results to Date**
 - Matt reported that membership dues are trending ahead of last year but remain slightly below the three-year average, with a projected variance of approximately \$300 if the current pace continues. He noted that the Fourth of July picnic income exceeded budget expectations and added that increased advertising sales have also contributed positively to revenue. Expenses generally remained below budget, except for postage costs, which were approximately \$8 over budget. Matt also reported that the invoice for the 5K event has not yet been received. While event expenses are expected to come in under budget, as the budget was based on an anticipated cost approximately three times higher than in prior years, he noted that 5K income will likely be below budget. Matt shared that overall net income continues to trend ahead of budget.
4. **New Business/Upcoming Events**
 - Halloween Party/Pumpkin Patch (10.25.2026)
Lindsay volunteered to serve as Chair. Brittany emailed Lindsay an overview of the event and its associated responsibilities, and Matt provided the event budget via email.
 - Halloween Decorating Contest ~ Judge? (10.27.2026)
The group confirmed Dave Nadolny as Chair for both the 2026 Halloween and Holiday Decorating Contests.
 - Officer Nominations/Applications
Leslie reminded the group that officer nominations will be opening soon and encouraged interested members to apply. Alan said he will post for awareness. Chris suggested that anyone interested in a position could partner with a current role holder this year to gain experience and learn more about the responsibilities, helping to make the transition into a role less intimidating.
5. **September Courier**
 - Chris reported that he is beginning work on the newsletter and is targeting completion of the content on or around September 10. He requested article submissions from contributors by the week of August 23 to allow approximately two weeks for compilation and review. Chris noted that he will email article contributors this week. Chris also asked about the Boy Scout food drive and will follow up on its status. Alan volunteered to author an article. Leslie asked whether Chris had heard from Lindsay, and Chris confirmed that he had but needed to revisit her emails.

6. Worthington Community Engagement Fair (10.28.26)

- Alan reported that CHCA may be able to secure a table at the Worthington Community Engagement Event, which will take place on October 28, 2026, at the Community Recreation Center North Gym from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. The group suggested that Ron create a banner for the display table. Alan said that he will confirm the event participation requirements, and Lis noted that the event information online indicates that the fair would welcome civic association participation.

7. Public Comments

- Anthony suggested adding a QR code to the Courier to facilitate donations and/or sending an annual email reminder regarding membership dues. Matt volunteered to explore getting a QR code through the CHCA's PayPal account for use in the Courier and on the website.
- The group discussed tracking participation by district. The group suggested recognizing the top ten districts while reaching out privately to trustees of lower-participation districts to offer help and gather feedback. While there was consensus on highlighting the top-performing districts, there was some hesitation regarding the best approach for addressing lower levels of participation. Mary Ann suggested that outreach efforts to those districts could focus on understanding potential barriers to involvement by asking whether trustees are experiencing challenges and whether additional support would be helpful.
- Earlier in the meeting, Leslie mentioned a suggestion from Lindsay to add a Zoom option for CHCA meetings. The group discussed the possibility of offering a virtual attendance option.

8. Adjourn- *Mary Ann motion, Will second.*