## Waltham Democratic City Committee Meeting Minutes 03/27/2025 6:30-7:37 pm

Attendees:	
Tom Benavides	James Luck
Susan Burstein	Nancy Pratt
Stacy Fatale	Clarence Richardson
Andrew Fintzel	Cynthia Salamanis
Carol Gill	Kaj Telenar
Deb Herman	Jean Vallon
Susan Kramer	

- The Feb 2025 minutes were approved.
- A motion was passed for the WDCC to become part of the Waltham Housing Coalition.
  - There are no fees.
  - We are invited to the quarterly meetings (Zoom) and have voting rights.
  - We will be on the mailing list.
  - It will be possible to co-sponsor events.
  - A motion passed to co-sponsor with Mass Care:
    - A Community Forum on State-Wide Medicare for All
    - o \$40 fee will be paid C. Richardson.
    - Thursday 4/10/25 at 7p. American Legion Post 440, 295 California St, Newton
    - Details in WDCC Newsletter
- A motion was passed to sign-on to a letter to our Congressional delegation along with other Democratic Ward and City Committees. The letter urges them to:
  - Organize the Democrats in the Senate to replace Minority Leader Chuck Schumer with someone who will fight to save our democracy
  - Withhold unanimous consent in the Senate
  - Invoke quorum calls in the Senate every time Republicans try to do anything
  - Defend oppressed people and show leadership
  - Organize a road show to competitive GOP House and Senate districts
  - Work with other Democrats to create a "Shadow Cabinet" that can respond to Trump/Musk policies in real time
- Heroes Brunch is still looking for volunteers to help with set-up and cleanup.
- Saturday April 5 Caucus will be at the Northeast School at 10a.
- There will be opportunities for VoteBuilder training with MassDems. We can have two individual log-ins for this software.
- K. Telenar proposed starting conversations on protecting immigrants and finding groups to work with.
- Next meeting will be in-person at Government Center, 119 School St. at 6:30p
  - o Guest speaker will be Middlesex Sheriff Peter Koutoujian

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.