



MINUTES

Harper Woods/Grosse Pointe Chapter of the GPBR
Tuesday, Nov 18, 2025 @ 1:00PM Via Zoom
President: Alexis DeLuca
President Elect: Donna O'Keefe

(7) Regents Present: Alexis DeLuca: PRES, Donna O'Keefe: Pres Elect, Polly Ryan: Secretary, Chris DeRosier, Mackenzie Holguin: YPA, Ryan Lally, Jimmy Saros

(2) Liaisons, & MT Present: Donna O'Neil, Debbie Fajardo (MT), Jen Hild (MT),

(3) Regents Absent: Cathy Harber, Ryan Peck, Melissa Singh

(1) Liaisons Absent: Chase Wakefield

I. **Called to order at 1:00 PM**

II. **Approval of the prior meeting** for 10/14/25, M/S/P

III. **President's Report (DeLuca)**

A. Membership Count: 313 Members (280 Primary, 19 Secondary, 4 CP, 10 Affiliates)

B. Upcoming Board Events: 12/10- Installation & Holiday Party

C. Welcome New Regents:

1. Ryan Lally, KW Grosse Pointe
2. Lara Scheibner Miller, Saros Real Estate Services
3. Lynne Shine Williams, Real Estate One
4. Laura Peters, Pointes Home Lending, Affiliate Regent

IV. **New Business:**

A. The following positions were nominated and voted on:

1. Pres-elect- Jimmy Saros
2. Secretary- Ryan Lally
3. YPA- Mackenzie Holguin

Thank you, Jimmy, Ryan, and Mackenzie, for your willingness to volunteer!

B. **March 10, 2026 General Membership Meeting** will be HW/GP centric. Donna asked at the end of today's meeting that we collaborate on ideas for topics for the event, possibly having Liasons give short presentations with updates on their respective communities. The HELM could conduct a presentation on all of its offerings. Put your thinking caps on!!

V. **Old Business:** Fraser Square Project: To answer the question that was asked about paying cash for one of the units, cash is great; however, they would need to income qualify based on the size of the household. See attached income guidelines for 60-120% AMI

VI. **HW/GP Networking 2025:**

A. Coffee Pop-In 12/18- Daily Jam (LAST ONE EVER)

B. Happy Hours (None left this year for HW/GP)

1. 12/4 - MCC HH - Cellar 59- sponsored by Kim Romero at Cinch Home Svc. Could use 1 more sponsor.

2. Need location for 1/8 for HW/GP

VII. **Municipal, YPN, and Affiliate Reports:**

A. Grosse Pointe Park – DeRosier – Tree Lighting/Holiday Festivities on 11/29 @ 6 pm

- B. Affiliate Committee – DeRosier – Affiliates are now allowed and encouraged to attend Round Table Discussions.
- C. Young Professionals Network – Fajardo - Feb 11th- Financial/Tax event @ Ginos in New Baltimore
- D. Grosse Pointe Woods – O’Keefe - Elections- unopposed incumbents; Tree Lighting on 11/25; parking meters are free compliments of Ahee from Nov 1- Jan 1; GPW City Council is still working on a new plan re-zoning the medical building into a mixed-use building, which would further align with neighborhood needs.
- E. Grosse Pointe Farms - Lally - New Mayor- John Gillooly; free parking in the Hill from 11/28- 1/1 compliments of Pearl; the city is tabling the potential day care location at the Rite Aid for a month, waiting for traffic and parking studies.
- F. Harper Woods – Singh – The new Community building is in progress, as is the Fraser Square Project.
- G. Grosse Pointe City – O’Neill – Sheila Tomkowiak was re-elected Mayor; the Tree Lighting is on 11/21; the Jingle Bell Run and Parade is on 11/28; free off-street parking in the Village 11/28- 1/1; the apartment development behind CVS seems like it has stalled.
- H. Grosse Pointe Shores – Wakefield - The city is beginning early-stage discussions on the plans for a new pool.

VIII. **Next Meeting: 1/6/26 at 1 pm via Zoom**

IX. **Future Meetings (2026): 2/10, 3/17, 4/21, 5/26, 6/30, 8/4, 9/8, 10/13, 11/17, 12/22**

X. **Meeting adjourned at 1:27 PM.**

Respectfully submitted by Polly Ryan, Secretary