

## **Boston Ward 5 Democratic Committee**

### **April 18, 2023, Meeting**

*The Boston Ward 5 Democratic Committee was held both in person and audio online via Zoom.*

Sharon Durkin started the meeting.

#### **In Person monthly meetings**

April 18, Tuesday at Old South Church

May 16, Tuesday at Community Church of Boston

June 17, Saturday Caucus at Old South Church-10AM

\*Speeches start 9:30.

June 10, PRIDE parade

No June Ward 5 meeting planned yet

July 18, at Community Church of Boston

No August meeting

All remaining meetings at CC of Boston

#### **General**

Patricia Amend is organizing a group for walk for Hunger 7 May- contact Patricia to join and/or donate.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer report-

-2023 Membership dues collected: \$710

-Current Balance: \$7670.30

-Dues payment

<https://secure.actblue.com/contribute/page/boston-ward-5-democratic-committee-1>

-If not able to pay full amount, contact Rob

#### **Ward 5 Membership**

Armen Youssoufian eligible for membership, voted as associated member

#### **Chair**

Sharon Durkan announced her candidacy for City Council

-Per bylaws, needs to step down as chair

-Bob Binney took over as acting chair, will run the May meeting

-Vote for the chair next in May meeting

## Meeting Minutes

March meeting minutes: provided amendments, approved March minutes with amendments.

### Update from Kenzie Bok

- Stepping down from City Council, running Boston Housing Authority
- \$200M in budget for Boston Housing Authority
- Will continue to join the Ward meetings
- 28 April is last day on the City Council
- Charter triggers a special election for filling a district City Council-fill for rest of the term-through December
  - 25 July election
  - regular election in November to permanently fill seat
- Constituent services will continue until the new councilor is in place
- 260 signatures needed for candidate

### Sharon Durkan

Running for City Council representing District 8

- Grew up in rural GA
- Trained women in Boston to run for office

*Platform focus issues*

- Focus on Mental health
- Climate resilient neighborhood
- Affordable housing
- Transportation

[Sharon Durkan for Boston City Council](#)

## Motion to Adjourn

Alex Bok Motioned to adjourn the meeting, Kenzie Bok second the motion to adjourn, the meeting was adjourned.

## Attendance

Members	Guests
<u>Online</u> Sharon (Shari) Franzetta Diane Berry Hilary Bacon Gabrieli Sandra Singer Annie Youssouflan Patrick McDonough Jay Livingstone Julie Livingstone Cynthia Korb	<u>In Person</u> Victoria Durkan Mark Mantell Anthony Baez Sean Nevarro

<p>Helen Cox Abigail Gabrieli</p> <p>In person Bob Binney Sharon Durkan Kate Gallivan Hemal Sampat Armen Youssouflan Katherine Judge Nancy Street David Crossman Sharon Hucul Susan Smith</p>	
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