President Barbara Mercier called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Recording Secretary Wendy Stone read the Minutes of the April 1 meeting. A motion was made and seconded and the Minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer Jeanne Mallet reported on the expenses for April. The month-ending balance for the Women’s Group was $1,689.14. The Sunshine Fund balance was $972.84, for a total balance of $2,661.98.

Ruth De Simone reported on the activities of the Sunshine Fund, which included sending plants to Dick Meagher, Barbara Vogel, and Ruth herself as well as cards to Bob Nanof, Debbie Puleo, and Anna Fenuccio.

Barbara Zappone reported on the Clubhouse. One rental has been set up for each month in June and July. Barbara has updated the Clubhouse policies on line at www.abvillage.org. Barbara is getting a strainer for the disposer to prevent non-food objects from falling in. She also reminded users to please clean up after themselves to prevent ants. The outside lights remain a problem, with the motion detectors not working and wattage being inadequate. A switch is being installed in the lobby so the first person to come into the building can turn the lights fully on and turn them off when everyone leaves. Carl Barstow is getting some solar lights to improve ground level visibility. The podium is being repaired by Bob Whitford.

Barbara Mercier reported on a variety of items:

- The Young at Heart concert was a big hit, and she read their thank you note to us.
- Norma Piotrowski and Linda Martino were thanked for managing the pancake breakfast, along with assistance from Dennis Fitzpatrick, David Zappone, Phil Mallet and many others.
- The St. Vincent de Paul collection van will be in the Clubhouse parking lot from May 17 to May 19. Anything except electrical items will be accepted.
- A simple sound system for the Clubhouse is being investigated.

Maureen Campos reported that the ABV cookbooks should be ready by mid-June.
Barbara Mercier reported on upcoming events:

- June 3, the Women’s Club meeting program will be “mini-book reports” by volunteers on recent or favorite works, fiction or non-fiction, which they would like to recommend to other members for summertime reading.

- June 14, 6:30-8:30, will be the June Monthly Social, chaired by Jeanne Mallet and Wendy Stone.

- September 9, the Women’s Club meeting program will be an ice cream social.

- September 21, 1:00-3:00 PM will be the Community Cookout. This will count as the monthly social. A vote was taken to move the event from the traditional Sunday to Saturday to avoid conflict with the Patriots and Red Sox.

- October 25 will be the potluck dinner event that is the traditional October monthly social.

- December 4, Wednesday, will be the December Women’s Group meeting which will start early to include social time, a brief meeting, dinner, and a Yankee Swap.

- December 11, Wednesday, will be the Community Holiday Party at the Clubhouse.

- December 18, Wednesday, will be Holiday Carolling at the Clubhouse.

- December 23, Monday, will be the Cookie Swap at the Clubhouse.

Ann Walsh asked anyone else was interested in attending Snoopy the Musical on May 19 at the Calliope to sign up with her by Friday, May 11.

Pattie Calce was thanked for bringing refreshments. Volunteers are being sought to bring refreshments to the June meeting and perform cleanup after that meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 and followed by a talk on normal aging by gerontologist Dr. Sheila Trugman.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Stone
Recording Secretary