

**Kehillat Beth Israel
Board of Directors
April 24, 2019
Simcha Room
Minutes**

Present:

Ilana Albert-Novick
Jodi Gitter
Joel Sachs
Harvey Slack

Jay Amdur
Lorne Goldstein
Kivi Shapiro
Eric Weiner

Mordechai Brodt
Stuart McCarthy
Judah Silverman
Helen Zipes

Secretary:

Jonathan Meijer

Clergy Present:

Rabbi Eytan Kenter
Rabbi Deborah Zuker
Cantor Jason Green

Staff Present:

Rena Garshowitz

Regrets:

Harland Tanner

Guests Present:

Yossi Bokhaut David Lyman

1.0 PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1.1 Call to Order and Welcome

Helen Zipes

The meeting was called to order at 6:39 PM.

1.3 Call for Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Helen Zipes

None of the members present declared any conflict of interest.

1.3 D'var Torah

Rabbi Kenter

- 1.4 Moment of Silence to commemorate those congregants who have passed away since the last board meeting** **Helen Zipes**

David Ronald Levine
Anne Monson Baylin
Sidney Finkelman

- 1.5 Approval of the Agenda of April 24, 2019** **Helen Zipes**

A motion was made by Harvey Slack and seconded by Mordechai Brodt to approve the agenda, with a change to section 2 to refer to Directors rather than Officers.

The motion was carried.

- 1.6 Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Directors for March** **Jonathan Meijer**

A motion was made by Jonathan Meijer and seconded by Kivi Shapiro to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors for the meeting held on March 28, 2018.

The motion was carried.

- 1.7 Business arising from Minutes or submitted reports** **Helen Zipes**

No business arose.

2.0 ELECTION OF NEW DIRECTORS

- 2.1 Election of incoming Directors** **Harvey Slack**

A motion was made by Harvey Slack and seconded by Eric Weiner to accept the recommendation of the Nominating Committee to appoint David Lyman and Yossi Bokhaut as new members of the Board of Directors.

The motion was carried.

3.0 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- 3.1 Executive Director's written statement respecting the status of staff salaries and remittances to government** **Rena Garshowitz**

Rena presented the statement to the Board.
(Please find the written statement in **Appendix A.**)

3.2 Monthly Financial Report (February 2019)

Jay Amdur

Jay presented the Financial Report for February 2019.
(Please find the report in **Appendix B.**)

4.0 REPORTING OPTIONS WITH DISCUSSION AND VOTE

4.1 Proposed FY2019/2020 Operating Budget

Jay Amdur

Jay presented the proposed budget (please see **Appendix C.**)

The proposed budget would include a dues increase of \$54 per member over age 40.

Rena praised facilities manager Susan Grossner for commissioning preventative maintenance, and reducing the need for emergency repairs.

A motion was made by Jay Amdur and seconded by Stuart McCarthy to approve the proposed budget for fiscal year 2019/2020.

The motion was carried.

4.2 Corporate Banking Resolution

Jay Amdur

Jay presented the issue of the need to change designated signing officials for the shul's bank account: a corporate resolution is now required to make any changes.

A motion was made by Jay Amdur and seconded by Eric Weiner to name Jay Amdur, Helen Zipes and Rena Garshowitz as the three designated signing officials, and to negate any previous assignments.

The motion was carried.

4.3 Other business raised by any Director requiring Board decision or authority

No other business was raised.

5.0 REPORTING WITH DISCUSSION BUT WITHOUT VOTE

5.1 Educational Update

Rabbi Kenter

Rabbi Kenter provided an update regarding his discussions with partners in Ottawa Talmud Torah (OTT). The discussions are ongoing.

5.2 Strategic Planning Update

Rabbi Kenter

Rabbi Kenter said that the Strategic Planning Committee has divided itself into two task forces:

The first task force will work to prepare values and a vision statement, while also discussing whether the mission statement is still reflective of the shul.

The second task force will examine how the shul can be a community-facing institution instead of only focusing on membership and members.

Jay noted that as per the By-law there must be three Directors as Committee members, but there are currently none.

Rabbi Zuker suggested that Stuart and his Marketing and Communications Committee should work with the Strategic Planning Committee.

5.3 Other business raised by any Director

1) Building our Future

Eric Weiner provided a summary of the Building our Future Working Group's work for the benefit of the new Board members.

6.0 REPORTING WITHOUT DISCUSSION OR VOTE

6.1 Other business raised by any Director

Cantor Green announced that KBI is hosting a concert on June 18, featuring music from Julian Dawes. He asked Board members to share the event announcement on Facebook and to let friends and family know.

7.0 IN CAMERA

8.0 NEXT MEETING – Thursday May 16th, 2019 6:30 PM

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 PM.

Jonathan Meijer, Secretary

Date of approval

APPENDICES

The following appendices follow this page, in order:

- Appendix A: Statement respecting the status of staff salaries and remittances to the government
- Appendix B: Financial report for February 2019
- Appendix C: Proposed FY2019/2020 budget
- Appendix D: Marketing and Communications Committee report for April 2019