

Temple Beth Sholom
Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 7:00pm

17 Board Members & Staff in attendance

All Attendees via Zoom:

Mike Winston

Jeff Altshuler

Rabbi Lipper

Karen Warren

Ruth Irving

Shani Boone

Jeff Merkow

Ari Ohls

Cantor David Reinwald

Mary Gonzalez

Melanie Pollak

Rachel Benson

Ruth Aptaker

John Bornstein

Arnold Shugarman

Nancy Silverman

Mitch Cohen

Absent:

Paula Pitluk

Steffanie Belasco

Meeting called to order: 7:03 p.m.

Opening Blessing- Rabbi Lipper

1. D'var Torah- Rabbi Lipper

- Challenge to bring things that need to be worked on to Rabbi. He isn't going anywhere these next 4 months and he will still be helping in all areas here at TBS

2. Approval of January 19th Minutes- Shani Boone

- Ruth can rewrite PDF
- Nancy Silverman showed absent but she was present, Shani was absent
- Jeff Altshuler name is spelled incorrect, as well as Ari
- Motion passed unanimously with the above changes
- The minutes are approved and will be filed for audit.

3. Rabbi Search Committee- Ari Ohls

- Committee is moving forward with Rabbi Sharon Sobel
- Politely declined Rabbi Regev
- Next steps are to watch her Friday night service and sermon
- Done interviewing other potential Rabbi's
- Link to the Shabbat service at 4 pm will be on Slack
- If it does not work out with Rabbi Sobel, we will have Rabbi Lipper continue one more year and pick up the Rabbi search next cycle

4. Board Roles/Security- Mike Winston

- We need to be present and seeing people, introducing ourselves, back of the sanctuary during services- someone there paying attention
- So far everyone this last month have been very helpful and attentive
- Situational awareness training- via zoom February 28th at 7

5. Staff/Board Reports

- Presidents Report- Mike Winston
 - (a) Cantor has found a position for next year
 - (b) Long term planning is underway. Next month starts presentations
 - (c) Make sure that if plans call for needed financial resources they are stated clearly
 - (d) Send list of committee members to Jeff and Rachel
 - (e) 1 week before the meeting send draft plan to Jeff M., Rachel B, and Mike W
 - (f) Covid committee- response team created. Members: Mike Winston, Dr. Norm Rosen, Dr. Dan Weissberg, Phyllis Robby, RN-PSN, a few preschool families, Tamara Levin, Ruth Irving, Rabbi Lipper
 - *masks will continue to be required inside for everyone
 - *masks not required when outside
 - *ECC classrooms closing when someone tests positive-tests to stay is not allowed by the case worker
 - *Mike will be getting info to Ruth and getting this information dispersed to the congregation and ECC families
 - *meeting again on March 1st
 - *hoping to start Onegs again in March
 - (g) Please fill out the google form about positions for next year
And who may be good options for next year
- Treasurers report
 - (a) Sunday is budget meeting for next fiscal year
 - (b) January results- running 120K YTD more than last year at this time
 - (c) Expecting a loss of 200K deficit this fiscal year
 - (d) Operating cash 918K- break even end of January
 - (e) Next 5 months we will use cash reserves
 - (f) 2nd Q forecast- we will use 259K
 - (g) Ended 2021 with 313K deficit, this year 243K deficit
 - (h) Waiting for the rest of pledges from 2 families, and we will be back to even as of the fiscal year
 - (i) Budget will run in deficit next year
 - (j) John Bornstein suggested we tighten our budget because there is a recession and members may not be able to make up the financial needs of the Temple
- Ruth Maternity Leave
 - (a) Starts March 1- out until Mid June

(b) See her list in Slack of who will be taking over with various activities in her absence

6. Old business

- Thank you responses to be discussed next month

7. New business

- Purim carnival
- Adult Purim- drag show
- Community wide event 3rd grade to 8th grade- April Akiva from B'nei Tzedek 1:30-10:30 meeting others from greater OC
- Cantors Concert March 20th
- Shabbat parade March 11th- Purim Baskets

8. Good and welfare

- Melanie got a new job! Visit Anaheim!
- Nancy's granddaughter will become a Bat Mitzvah
- Mitch's dad had surgery but is doing well
- Jeff M.'s son is getting married end of the month

Meeting Adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Shani Boone
TBS Board Secretary