

Chadeish Yameinu
Board of Director Meeting
January 27, 2008
2:00 PM Jeanne Rosen's 3150 Haas Dr. Aptos

Minutes

Attending Board Members: Howie Schneider (President); Batya Kagan; George Lewis (Secretary); Barbara Nicoara; Jillian Aronstam; Rabbi Eli Cohen.
Absent Board Members: Jan Leininger (Treasurer); Joe Katzman.
Also Present: Jeanne Rosen; Michael Yosef; Akindele Bankole.

Opening Nigun - Rabbi Eli

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Board meeting of December 16, 2007 were approved as submitted.

Membership Report: No Report

Fund Raising:

Akindele gave a proposal that we undertake a fund-raising event centered around a fashion show. He has organized very successful similar events in the past. The goal would be to attract the whole community. Models could include prominent local citizens. The event could also include silent and live auctions along with food and beverage. The Board approved moving forward with planning for the event with a tentative date of November 8, 2008. An initial committee of Akindele, Jeanne, Jillian, and Eli volunteered.

A fund raising Comedy nite event with Rabbi Arne from Detroit was approved for February 20, 2008 location and details to be determined.

Financial Report

A written report prepared by Jan was received by the Board. A decision was made to send out a fund request letter for additional year end contributions to insure the ending of the year with a reasonable reserve..

Concert Proposal

A proposal that we sponsor a concert by James Stone Goodwin, with the idea that we help him set up concerts in other bay area cities was rejected as being impractical. An alternative that we sponsor a concert and pay his normal fee was rejected as being unlikely to be profitable considering that Mr Goodwin is not well known in the area, and we do not have the contacts to insure a reasonable attendance.

Insurance: No action.

Events Calendaring

Approved to co-sponsor a Purim event with Temple Beth El and to provide readers, and take charge of the punch for the event scheduled for March 20, 2008.

Will have a Purim event at Sunshine Villa assisted living facility on March 21st.

School Communication: No Report

List Serve/email No Report

Scheduling Board Member retreat:

A Board member retreat was set for May 4, 2008 at location to be determined.

Adding Board Members: No Report

Encouraging New Members

Jillian will host a new members social on March 16th 2-4 PM.

Town Hall Meeting:

Two meetings scheduled February 3rd and March 2nd

New Emphasis on Tree of Life

Arrangements are being made to set up a day to create ceramic leaves to be placed on the fence by the tree of life at the Garden. Placement will be at a service later this spring.

Direct Deposit: No report

Substitute Leaders in Rabbi Eli's absences:

Directions were give as to arrangements for fill in leaders at necessary services. Contacts are being made as to lay leaders, with use of paid Rabbi's as necessary.

Passover Seder

Seder set for April 20., 2008. Eli will lead. Location to be determined. Eli will contact First Presbyterian Church, and Jeanne will contact First Congregational Church. Volunteers to help organize the event are needed. A committee of Eli, Howie, Barbara, and Michael volunteered to prepare a Haggadah

Co-Sponsoring Be'chol Lason Purim Festival

Approved Co-sponsoring event at no cost to CY

Participation with COPA

COPA is organized to bring together groups in a relational way to effect social change. Participation by CY depends on whether we may participate with Temple Beth El. If we would join as a separate party significant cost would be involved. No action by the Board..

New Health Insurance policy for Rabbi Eli.

Eli's current insurance is through a COBRA policy from previous employment, which expires shortly. He is having difficulty in obtaining new insurance, and requested help. Individual board members agreed to assist.

Co-Sponsorship of One Voice Santa Cruz Visit.

Board approved co-sponsorship this peace process group.

Agenda for the February Board Meeting

The next Board meeting is February 17, 2008. Various agenda items were presented for the Secretary to prepare an agenda

Closing Nigun - Eli