

**Chadeish Yameinu  
Board of Directors Meeting  
January 18, 2009  
4:00 PM - Home of Jan Leininger and Joe Katzman**

**Minutes**

Attending Board Members: Howie Schneider (President); Batya Kagan; George Lewis (Secretary); Barbara Nicoara; Jan Leininger (Treasurer); Joe Katzman, John Byrne; Linda Byrne; Michael Yosef; Rabbi Eli Cohen Absent Board Member Eugene Markowitz(Vice President): Also Present Carl Pechman

*ORIENTATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY*

Opening Nigun - R'Eli

Approval of Minutes:

The Minutes of December 14, 2008 were approved.

Resignation of Board Member

President Howie announced he had received an email earlier in the day from Vice President Eugene Markowitz resigning his position on the Board.

To do review:

Joe Katzman reviewed the to do list from the December Board Meeting.

*IMMEDIATE BUSINESS*

Siddurim and CY School/School Communications

A discussion regarding the need for new copies of the Day Siddurim. These are used for the Saturday Shabbat services and for Bar/Bat Mitzvahs. A fairly large number are needed in order to accommodate large Bar/Bat Mitzvahs. Students purchase personal copy. Michael Yosef will count the number we have to determine the number we need to purchase, and R'Eli will determine if a digital copy is available of our current Siddurim. Carl Pechman may have access to printing and binding.

Financial Report

Treasurer Jan Leininger reported that income during December was better than expected, Our overall picture looks good if we maintain last years spring giving and our planned fund-raising efforts.

Structure of Future Board Meetings

The Board voted to approve the final version of the "Structure of Future Board Meetings" for a trial period of 4 meetings. This review will be after the April meeting.

Policy on endorsement, sponsorship and co-sponsorship

Delayed to future meeting.

Membership Report

Current membership 79 families. Eli has been reviewing those who have not renewed, and has contacted them to determine future status.

Change of Moderation of List Serve/List Serve issues-

Item to be continued for major discussion topic as to what we expect for the list serve.

Passover Seder Planning

Planning committee is meeting on Wednesday January 21 to discuss options.

Finance Committee Report

A written report was presented to the Board on the concerns of the committee regarding need to have long term goals of CY to accomplish sustainable financial planning. Since this was discussed at length during the retreat earlier in the day no further discussion was had. A brief discussion was held as to the pros and cons of grants, and potential uses of grants.

Shabbat Sponsorship Terms and Arrangements

The Board is encouraging members to sponsor a shabbat in order to help our financials. The cost of sponsorship is \$100 plus providing a challah and grape juice. Preference is for white grape juice.

Donations for CY Library

It has been suggested that we explore the possibility of sharing our library donated by Lisabeth Kaplan with the First Congregational Church. R'Eli will contact the church

Appointment of Fund Raising Committee

No contacts have been made

Membership Restriction

R'Eli will meet to set guidelines for members who cause significant and ongoing disruption during services

Thank you to First Congregational Church

The Church is no longer participating in the dinner and fellowship for the homeless women. Inquiries will be made as to how to thank our gracious hosts.

Erev Siddurim purchase

New edition Erev siddurim have been purchased with generous donations from Lynn LeRose and Jeanne Rosen. Additional copies are needed in order to have copies available at both the Garden and First Congregational Church. Members wishing to donate copies of the Siddurim or purchase personal copies may do so for \$18 each. All donated copies will have book plates honoring donors. Orders need to be placed by April 3, 2009.

Proposal for 4<sup>th</sup> Friday Tot Shabbat

Micah Posner and Akiko Minami have offered their home to hold a monthly 4<sup>th</sup> Friday Tot Shabbat

A short half hour children oriented Shabbat service followed by Kiddush and motzi and a 6:30 potluck dinner. The Board gave approval for the January service with a more formal review and decision on sponsorship type at the February Board Meeting.

Tu B'shvat: Native Tree Walk.

Batya Kagan requested approval of a Tu B'shvat: Native Tree walk/ talk on Sunday February 8. The Board approved the event.

Future Board Meeting Dates

The Board meeting for February will be on the regular 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday February 15th. The Board meeting for March will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup>.

## *THANKS*

Thanks

A great thanks was given to our hosts: Jan Leininger and Joe Katzman for opening their home to the board for the Board Meeting and The Board Retreat earlier in the day.

## *STRATEGY AND GOVERNANCE -*

No Strategy and Governance issues were discussed, as the retreat covered the planning issues before the Board

## *TASK REVIEW AND CLOSE*

Task Review:

A review of the action items and commitments to perform was made

Closing Nigun R'Eli