

## Meeting of the Temple Beth-El Board of Trustees

October 15, 2020, 6:00 PM

**Trustees Present:** Cheryl Decker (President), Lynn Zeemont (Vice President), Michael Mandel (Treasurer), Steve Haydu (Secretary), Jeff Lewis, Nan Rubin, Martha Roditti, , Joanne Turnbull, Bryan McCuller, Marieka Brown, Barbara Berger, Pearie Bruder, Dee Cook

### Standing Items

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Cheryl Decker at 6:07.

**Invocation:** Martha Roditti gave the invocation

**Acceptance of Minutes:** Marieka Brown moved to accept the minutes for the September meeting, Bryan McCuller seconded, it was approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

We now have a temple credit card so that Dave Decker can make minor purchases for Building and grounds. It has a \$500 limit.

There were questions about the status of the grants we received and are expecting to receive. We will review a revised report next month and accept it then.

### Committee Reports

- Adult Education/Social Action (showing of Tattooed Torah on Nov 1 at 11 am)
  - Began the 'Coping with Covid' articles in the Adelante
  - Tattooed Torah showing 11/1/20 11 am
- Mensch Club
  - Participated in return of prayer books and food donations
  - 2 more limited breakfasts will be putting it on hold for a while due to pandemic. Is considering some kind of activity with Community of Hope
- Mitzvah Team
- Religious Practices Committee (report attached)
- Religious School
  - Pearie asked about the viability of doing some of the things religious school typically does, such as gift bags and hamantaschen baking. She was advised to provide more detail, there was nothing actionable in her request.
- Sisterhood

- Made \$287 on Challah sales
- 65 years of Sisterhood submitted article to Adelante
- Mentioned that Sisterhood usually does a service.

**Vote:** Approve Committee Reports approved 6:43

Transition Team Report – Joanne

- Technology information document-draft
- Focus Groups – Martha, The focus group about the Rabbi search is shortly before the November board meeting. If needed breakout groups can be used on Zoom.

**Old Business** (6:15-6:45)

- Board member sign up to do announcements at Friday services
- Payment for Rabbi Larry's services on Sukkot – Action item \$ 150, \$250 approx.
- Status of committee to establish safety protocols for the Temple (i.e. phased reopening of the temple)
- Review of bylaws and Constitution – a committee will be established. Dee, Joanne, will get a few more members to work on it with them.

**New Business** (6:45-7:15)

New Members – Elaine Baeza, Scott and Betsy Gubin

Exec session to discuss new members – Steve moved, Nan seconded. Moved into exec session at 7:38 PM

Moved out of exec session at 7:41 PM.

The board voted unanimously to accept the new members.

Admin report – Paula Kramer will begin helping out in Temple Office

Exec board recommended that a few board members and RPC members will reach out to Rabbi Barry Leff, who has retired to Las Cruces and mentioned that he was interested in doing some rabbinic work. The group will find out what Rabbi Leff has in mind, and whether our needs coincide with what he has in mind.

Adjournment: The Board meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Haydu, Secretary

**Next Meeting:** November 19, 2020 @ 6:00PM