

Temple Beth-El Board of Trustees Meeting,

August 18, 2022

Members Present- Nan Rubin(President), Joel Siegel(Treasurer), Deb Leyndyke(Secretary), Rabbi Evette Lutman, Luke Duddridge, Wendee Lorbeer, Steve Haydu, Cherri Hudson-Brown, Diane Fleischman, Dee Cook, Martha Roditti, Pearie Bruder, Donna Popky

Absent-Lynn Zeemont (Vice President)

An invocation was given by Rabbi Evette Lutman

The agenda was approved, along with the minutes from the July Board Meeting.

The Board welcomed Rabbi Lutman to the community. Brief introductions were made.

*Rabbi Lutman's Report- Fridays will be spent making hospital visits, along with those healing at home. She also discussed the need for bar and bat-mitzvah students to have had experience with religious school education, whether it be at TBE or in another synagogue. The Rabbi also expressed interest in reconstructing temple rituals and would like to have input from members.

*Financial Report-Joel Siegel presented 3 graphs to better explain our budget. It was requested that we examine the budget on a more frequent basis (monthly or quarterly) to better determine expenses and profit/loss. We purchased a new computer for the office this month, which was our only major expense. TBE also was granted non-taxable certification, which will save on all expenses. It was used for the new computer purchase.

*Membership Report-The Board agreed that we should proceed with a new membership application, which would be used solely. The committee will meet to discuss ways in which we can welcome new members, focusing on religious and TBE community activities. Pearie and Donna have joined this committee. Many suggestions on ways to improve our effort, including the creation of new member profiles, participation in services, matching new members with members who have similar interests. The committee will meet and report back to the Board.

*Security Report-Mark Saltman (chair of Security) is working on having an orientation on security measures, presented by LCPD. The Mensch Club will again provide greeters for Shabbat services. They will be wearing an alarm that will immediately contact LCPD if problems arise. There will be additional security for the High Holidays.

*TBE's mask mandate will be in effect through the High Holiday services. The only exception will be speakers on the bimah. Zoom will be available for each service. Steve reported that we have an individual available to take over our Zoom filming at services. He will be paid an hourly rate.

President Nan Rubin proposed having a celebration for Frances Williams, one of the founders of TBE. There was much discussion, and it was agreed that this could be the first of many celebrations to recognize those who have greatly influenced our temple. The membership committee will meet to establish and plan and report back to the Board,

*Sisterhood will remain in charge of the Onegs, however we would like to see more member participation. There will be sign ups at services and on Sign-Up Genius with specifics on setting up/cleaning up, what food is needed and how to enter the temple.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Leyndyke

Secretary