

Minutes of Temple Sinai Board of Trustees **Wednesday October 18, 2017, 29 Tishrei 5778**

Board Members Present (19 Board Members): Jon Braslaw, John Citron, Matti Fromson, Ben Galison, Richard Hart, Melissa Heller, Sara Klein, CeCe Langs, Jacob Levine, Tom McCleary, Susan Rosenthal, Sydney Firestone Schimmel, Debra Schoenberg, Sam Schuchat, Andrew Shear, Karen Tanner, Joan Waranoff, Phil Witte, Bart Schenone,

Absent: Emmett Koehler, Frances Rotolo, Neil Jacobson, Rabbi Regev, Erik Zwerling, Megan Bacigalupi, Sue Bojdak

Staff Present: Rabbi Mates-Muchin, Ellen Lefkowitz, Cantor Keys, Dorian Farrow

7:00 D'var Torah – *Susan Rosenthal*

7:15 Approval of August Minutes and Bima Sign ups – *Karen Tanner*

Moved: Sydney Firestone Schimmel

Seconded: Jon Braslaw

Approved

7:20 Consent Calendar: Membership Report – *Farrow (attachment) circulated 17 new members*

Increasing the single signature authority to \$5000.00 – *Farrow (attachment)*

Moved: Matti Fromson;

Seconded: John Citron

Approved

7:25 Appreciation of Departing Board Members – *Schuchat*

Appreciation for their commitment and service to Temple Sinai to CeCe Langs and John Citron

7:30 Financial Report – *Braslaw, Farrow*

Doing well, fulfilled membership pledges=over budget, hh tickets= over budget, expenses controlled, pledges coming in, building fund balance debt is coming down

7:40 Cemetery Update and possible management agreement with Sinai Memorial - *Schuchat*

Robin Reiner will resign as cemetery administrator as of Nov. 30, 2017

Proposal: Enter into longer term arrangement with Sinai Memorial to handle Robin's job. Seth Rosen has opened discussion with Sinai Memorial. Costs: hopefully close to what we pay Ms. Reiner now.

Term of contract: 1 year to start. Robin would like to continue to be involved in a consulting role for our members.

Motion: Move to advance proposal with Sinai Memorial

Moved: Susan Rosenthal

Seconded: CeCe Langs

Approved

7:50 Furnace – *Klein (attachment) Approve \$10,000 for furthering the project*

Motion: Jon Braslaw

Seconded: Tom McCleary

Approved

Rabbi MM –Survey regarding HH services. 200+ responses; sanctuary is a positive, need clearer descriptions of service differences, some prayers missed. May reprint prayer books for 2019. Mostly well received. The diverse experiences were noted.

Follow up to graffiti—responses by the community are on our Facebook page

8:00 Phonathon

9:30 Adjourn