

**BETH EL CONGREGATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024**

The following appear at Beth El: Audrey Wolff, President; Eileen Bloom, Financial Vice President; Kim Mertens, Education Vice President; Herb Dreiseszun, Facilities Vice President; Barry Becker, Treasurer; Charleen Holt, Secretary; Alana Berrett, Ari Hoffman, Bill Tuttle, Danny Witenstein,

Staff present: Rabbi Stein Kokin, Alicia Moskowitz, Executive Director

Board members present via Zoom: Brad Ostrow, Gail Ulan, Sara Zilversmit

Board members absent: Jose Tafla

Staff absent: Susan Finks, Interim Talmud Torah Director; Joanie Charnow, Preschool Director

6:37 pm Audrey calls the meeting to order.

Rabbi gives a D'Var Torah.

Audrey reads a letter from Wendy Rozov.

RABBI'S REPORT/RITUAL:

Cantor Nissim will be here the weekend of February 9 through 11 and the Purim weekend.

Rabbi explains the Shabbat service with PJ Library. Rabbi is looking for Megillah readers, Our Czechoslovakia Holocaust scrolls will be at the Jewish Historical Society on February 25 for the commemoration ceremony.

FINANCIAL:

Audrey and Eileen report on the fundraiser for Nanci on April 7 at 4:00 pm

7:05 pm Kim joins the meeting.

Barry reports the following balances as of January 17:

Operating account:	\$ 89,213.04
Security fund:	\$520,816.10
Certificate of Deposit:	\$176,617.36
Accounts payable:	\$ 6,332.75

Preschool will give to Beth El \$15,000 from their fundraiser to cover security.

We will be using security guards except for High Holidays and Shabbat when Phoenix Police will be present.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Alicia says we have been approved to move forward with the doors for the Pavilion and the Youth Lounge. Alicia is obtaining two quotes for cameras and security doors for the Preschool and key fobs will be used. There is a new security grant which includes: get the Preschool gated and putting shatterproof film on all the windows in the Preschool and main building. The security assessment recommends connecting the security gate to Torah Day School and to the wall.

The bollards have been paid for. The speaker system is outdated. New volunteers will be placed in a project suitable for both Beth El and the volunteer.

FACILITIES:

Herb submits information to the Board both in writing and orally on the roof situation.

Alicia will email the questions to Renco.

8:02pm. Sara leaves the meeting.

SOCIAL ACTION:

In March on Wednesday snack bags will be made for Kivel and toiletries will be given to the Sojourner Center.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

These events are as stated on the agenda,.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Chesed Committee is now the Cholim Committee.

Audrey states that there needs to be a succession to the Board as her term will concluded May 31.

Eileen moves and Barry seconds to approve the December minutes as presented. The motion is passed unanimously.

8:17 pm. The meeting is adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Charleen Holt
Secretary
Beth El Board of Directors

