

Minutes of Young Israel of North Netanya AGM held in the George Goddard Hall on Thursday April 26, 2022

Attendance:

As per attached register to the AGM minutes held on file.

Apologies:

Sharon Carr, Ruth and Barry Lyons, Asher and Paula Edery, Phyllis and Martin Carr, Avril Gatoff, Elkan Levy and Jaqueline Jacobs.

The names of those members who passed away since the previous AGM were read out.

Welcome:

Chairman, Graham Nussbaum

D'var Torah:

Rabbi Boudilovsky gave a D'var Torah. He noted this is the first in person AGM since Covid.

Minutes of last year's AGM held on May 26, 2021:

Neville Gatoff proposed to accept the Minutes and was seconded by Tony Plaskow. The motion to approve the Minutes passed unanimously.

Matters Arising:

There were no matters arising.

Chairman's Report: - Graham Nussbaum

See attached

Charity Committee Report: - Eze Silas

See attached

Treasurer's Report and presentation of the Annual Accounts for 2021: - Andrew Kaye

See attached.

The acceptance of the Annual Accounts for 2021 was proposed, seconded, and passed unanimously.

In addition, the following topics were addressed:

Based on Andrew's recommendation, and in accordance with the Constitution, Article 541, Alex Stuart proposed that there be a 6% increase in dues, as of January, 2023. This would be an increase of ₪ 165 per couple and ₪ 80 per single, for full membership. For associate membership the increase would be ₪ 130 per couple and ₪ 65 for single. This proposal was seconded by Ivor Lewis and Gerald Barnett. The result of the vote was the following;

1 opposed, 8 abstained, everyone else present voted in favor.

Hazel Broch inquired about those who attend the Bortz Room Minyan regarding their financial contribution to the Shul. Graham said that in the past the majority of those attending the Minyan were not members of the Shul and donations were not readily forthcoming. However, Graham went on to explain, that since Covid, the make-up of those attending the Bortz Room Minyan has changed and now most of the attendees are members of the Shul.

The question was raised as to why the office expenses are so low. Andrew explained that the Shul does not have a paid administrator any more.

Audit Committee Report: - David Gillis

David confirmed that the accounts are accurate and that payments for 2021 are appropriate. Neville Gatoff worked with him on reviewing the accounts. Graham thanked Andrew Kaye for his attention to detail and his total commitment.

Senior Gabbai's Report: - David Feiler

David spoke about this being the formal end of his tenure as Senior Gabbai. David described his background before coming to Netanya.

During his years as Senior Gabbai at YINN he instituted a cardex system where each male has a card with his Hebrew name on it and if he is Kohen, Levi or Yisrael. He always lets someone know in advance if they are to be called up for an Aliyah. He instituted giving them a card which should be returned after his Aliyah. During Covid, David had to make sure that the minyanim adhered to Halacha and rules of Misrad Habriut. For example, during Rosh Hashana 2020, there were five minyanim for Shacharit and Musaf. One minyan would start and stop after laining, another minyan would start and stop after laining. The first one would return for Musaf and then the other group would return for Musaf. There were outdoor minyanim also. Additionally, there were zoom Shiurim and Melave Malka programs. David arranged for speakers for the Melave Malka programs. Zoom enabled people to virtually socialize. David thanked the other Gabbaim, Tony Plaskow, Neville Gatoff and Alan Gold for all their help.

Irgun Nashim: - Betty Wahnnon

Due to Covid, there is nothing to report. However, the weekly Kiddush will be reintroduced. Volunteers are needed. The Irgun Nashim provided a l'chayim for tonight's meeting.

Election of Auditors:

Zev Kaufman CPA, has been the auditor for many years. Graham Nussbaum recommended retaining his services. Hilton Share proposed retaining him, and Alexandra Stuart seconded. He was approved.

Elections for the Executive and Board:

Graham read the proposed slate. Nominations are on the attached sheet. All were unopposed.

Alex Stuart explained that Hilton Share will stand as Vice Chairman for 3 months. Ken Bender will then take over as Vice-Chairman once he meets the 12-month membership requirement to be on the Shul's Executive.

Alex Stuart explained that he has been coming to the Shul for the past 35 years. He was a Treasurer of his Shul in Essex and came on Aliyah 9 years ago. He soon became Treasurer. Alex thanked Graham and everyone else who has worked on behalf of the Shul. A gift will be given to Graham for his hard work but it has not arrived yet. Alex explained that he is anxious that the community function as quickly as possible to the same degree that it functioned before Covid.

AOB:

None

Graham congratulated all the new officers. The meeting was closed.

Minutes submitted by Marlene Horowitz