

Minutes of the Meeting of
Congregation Rodeph Sholom Board of Directors
Tampa, FL (in person)
October 26, 2021, 6:15 p.m.

I. Call to Order

- Marcy Baker called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.
- The following members, representing a quorum, were present at the meeting
 - Marcy Baker; Sara Ingber; Lori Rabinowitz; Jim Baker; Bernice Wolf; Lloyd Stern; Abe Marcadis; Steve Kreitzer; Debora Bobo; Sherry Friedlander; Steve Hirschowitz; Stewart Donnell (by phone); Lee Schlaffler; Josh Ackman

II. Approval of minutes from last meeting

- Minutes from last meeting approved

III. Old Business

a) Rabbi Search

- Survey results presented by Jonathan Tannen: 181 families responded by the 10/20 deadline out of 258 families in good standing, for a 70.1% response rate; the results were: 41 yes (continue search), 22.6%; 124 no (discontinue search), 68.5%; 10 no opinion, 5.5%; 6 split votes (different votes submitted by same family), 3.3%
- Board discusses survey results, additional discussion re need to change bylaws if Rabbi-Cantor hired on long-term basis, since bylaws state that rabbi must be member of RA
- Motion to stop rabbi search; seconded; 10 in favor, 2 opposed, 1 abstain; motion passes

b) Land Sale

- Update by Marcy, Related came back with a proposal that they demolish the JCC preschool and take that part of the property, pay us \$9.3 million w/ \$200K hard cash paid at signing, 64 parking spots on ground floor
- Discussion of legal status of strip of land between Rodeph building and Bayshore

- Discussion re JCC preschool
- Agreement that Marcy will continue with the negotiations

c) JCC Lease

- Their lease is up this summer (2022), we want to do another year with them, their concern is that if they leave and we don't proceed with the parking lot sale we will want to start our own preschool, we've agreed not to solicit their teachers

IV. Reports

a) Treasurer

- Report presented by Steve Hirschowitz, things continue to look good, expenses on target for the year to date

b) Fundraising

- Report by Jim Baker, brick sale just ended, exceeded goal and sold 109 bricks; casino night scheduled for 2/19

c) Education

- Report by Josh Ackman, first Jewish book club meeting was tonight, youth groups are in progress, first tot Shabbat is coming up; discussion of difficulties with getting kids to come to events

d) House

- Nothing to report; question about getting a rug for the foyer to muffle sound

e) 20s/30s

- 20s/30s Shabbat coming up on 11/19, sponsored by Walk family

f) Sisterhood

- Nothing to report

V. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jonathan S. Tannen