

## LC Minutes—3/23/15

In attendance: Josh Nason; Natalie Lascar Lefkowitz; Shira Broms; Sarah Blumenthal; Daniel Havivi; Jessica Torch; Nicki Bodner; Dena Roth; Eytan Apter; Dari Pogach; Jeremy Kadden

Josh: Getting ready for 7<sup>th</sup> Day Pesach Lunch

Dari: Tiles on Ark are falling off, tell kids to be careful

Eytan: Having a discussion with the JCC regarding issues from this past year. People should direct complaints to SC, rather than going directly to JCC.

Rebecca: Adam Broms is the Gabbai for Shabbat Torah reading, Ben Solomon-Schwartz is doing chaggim. We need someone to fix the tiles on the ark. Jonathan Groner will be teaching the first ever DC Minyan new layners class beginning the Wednesday after Pesach. Spread the word to anyone who would like to learn. Goal will be to let people read their own Aliyah at Simchat Torah.

Jeremy: Lunch & Learn turnout was a bit low, feedback was generally good, but feeling that people may want a scholar. Jason Rubinstein (Mechon Hadar) will be the scholar in residence at Shavuot. Tefillah Institute planning is going slowly. Tentatively working on an idea of focusing on a different Tefillah each month (“Tefillah of the month”). We will also be having a Shabbaton in DC (but not at the JCC) focused on improving Tefillah at the minyan. Jeremy will be stepping down from the job, so we need a new chinuch chair.

Nicki: Kiddush committee is concerned about the cost of Kiddush vs. the cost to sponsor. Nicki is running the numbers. Deluxe Kiddush tends to cost \$500 (we only charge \$250 to sponsor).

Sarah: We now have an alumni list of 500 names. We may begin sending out a Happy Passover email just to let people know that the list exist, and see how we can utilize it.

Shira: Mystery Guest Shabbat was very successful. 65 participants. Need to update the list of potential “hosts” for Shabbat meals. Looking to match people for seders. Spreadsheet is up.

Purim:

Discussion over whether Thurgood Marshall Center was a good place. Difficult to hear. Space was packed.

Need to work on the kids programming for next year. Parents want to bring their kids even though it’s late.

Should not do a D’var Torah next year.

Do we want to consider offering smaller readings in homes? Could be helpful for people who feel that they can’t hear.

Pesach:

7<sup>th</sup> Day Lunch: Traditionally we did \$18 for Members, \$21 for Non-Members. Considering doing a flat fee. Deciding that there should still be tiered pricing, but lower price for everyone.

Joint Kiddush on 8<sup>th</sup> Day with Rosh Pina.

Need daveners for 7<sup>th</sup> Day.

Standalone announcement about Pesach going out on Monday.

Shavuot:

\$8,000 in Grant Money and \$2,000 from Minyan funds to subsidize cost for members.

Planning to charge \$245 for members, \$315-\$325 for non-members.

Cap for adults is around 130 people

2 Days of Swimming

Looking into a Kids Camp where you'd drop off your kids and pick them up later

Signups will start right after Pesach

Member only sign up will be 10 Days

Should we have an all night Tikkun? We only get a few people who stay up at night. We need a lot of daveners, layners. There's a sharp drop off at 3:00a.m.

Idea: Tikkun until 3, Davening at 9:15.

DC Minyan Dues:

Last time we raised our DC Minyan rates was 2 years ago for Parents & Kids. The additional \$75 is very low considering the cost of babysitting.

There are certain items on the budget that may necessitate more money.

SC has gotten a number of new suggestions, but these all cost money.