

# Congregation Brith Shalom Board Meeting Notes

## Meeting Topic and Date

Board Meeting 25-Aug-2022

## Attendees

Bill Stern  
Dani Roisman  
Denise Mosk  
Diego Donzis  
Jonah Paransky  
Melissa Magenheim  
Rabbi Ranon Teller  
Arturo Karakowsky  
Caren Harris  
Cathy Podell  
Eduardo Fertman  
Lyn Rosenberg-Johnson  
Marcelo Kreindel  
Micah Hirschfield  
Michael Moore  
Michael Zlotnick  
Sam Mishael  
Wayne Lidsky

## Major Topics Covered

1. Staff reports
  - a. The building: punch list of obvious items that need to be fixed
  - b. On-site security review
  - c. Bidding out deferred maintenance evaluation vendor
2. Rabbi update
  - a. We're starting b'nei mitzvah season again, first one is this Saturday: also Ruach
  - b. RS school year starting, RJT taking the role as the school clergy
  - c. The new vision/mission was shared with RS teachers
3. The need for building/facility operational support: short- and long-term resourcing
4. Need to work on re-establishing the habit of attending shul to reconnect with the community
  - a. Start coming again if that is part of your tradition, and encourage your friends to do the same
5. Financial report (attachments distributed)
6. Committee assignments

- a. Need board participation as part of the committee reboot exercise that we're undertaking, action item captured
- 7. Torah Fund Sunday Oct 23, 7:00pm
  - a. Trying for a paradigm shift so that Torah Fund is no longer seen as only a Woman of Valor event.
  - b. David Krohn will be entertainment
  - c. Would like to invite couples, not just women. Tickets are \$22 each and asking for \$18 donation for Torah Fund

### Motions

- 1. Motion to approve \$5,000 limit for our Executive Director to sign check without EC member. Moved by Sam Mishael
  - a. Tabled for next meeting, will have more detailed guidance to revise proposal

### Action Items / Assignments

- 1. Start coming to services again if that is part of your tradition, and encourage your friends to do the same
- 2. All board members please complete the Committee Survey:  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/T2FQ8NX>
- 3. Melissa to contact city of Bellaire to report condition of Cedar St. and ask for repairs

### Carry-Forward Agenda Ideas

- 1. Proposal from Financial Committee for guidance for our ED to sign checks up to a certain limit and oversight process.