

CBS BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING AGENDA: NOVEMBER 21, 2019

Present:

Rhoda Goldberg, President
Karen Bernstein- VP
Mitch Kreindler- VP
Denise Mosk
El Jay Waldman
Michael Zlotnick
Debi Mischael
Lori Actor
Etan Paransky
Mark Jason
Amir HaLevi
Erin Pomerantz Wright
Ellen Fiesinger
Rabbi Teller
Melissa Magenheim

I. Welcoming remarks from President – **Rhoda Goldberg**

II. D'var Torah – **Rabbi Ranon Teller**

III. Representative of the Houston Jewish Community Foundation will discuss HJCF's mission and activities - <https://www.houstonjewish.org/houston-communitycenter/houston-jewish-community-foundation-> - **Roberta Herman Dietrich**

- 1) Competitive grants to fund Jewish efforts
 - a) CBS- Mikveh program and Interfaith Mitzvah Day
 - b) Grant Cycle renews in January
- 2) Create a legacy program
 - a) Estate Plans
 - b) 58 Individuals at CBS participating
 - c) Need 7 individuals to confirm their gift to CBS (made a pledge in years 1 and 2 of program)
- 3) Sister organization to Jewish Federation- Separate Board
 - a. Donor advised fund- Donor can recommend who to fund
 - b. Tax deferred
- 4) Manage CBS Endowment- \$200,000
 - a. Professionally managed by DiMeo Schneider (not sure if correct spelling)
 - i. Performs own audit
 - b. Usually 5-7% ROI
 - c. Index Growth fund- 60% Equity, 40% Bond, No BDS investment
 - d. 215 Million under umbrella
- 5) Grinspoon Foundation

- a. PJ Library
- b. Camp
- c. 63 Trillion available through Life and Legacy- Nationwide

IV. Reports and Updates

A. Professional Staff Reports

1. Rabbi Ranon Teller

- a) High Holidays- Positive feedback
- b) B'yachad- young professionals- planning retreat to the Woodlands
- c) Upcoming-Discovery Minyan, Neshema Friday night Minyan, Ruach Friday night- using teen leaders, Mini Minyan, Shir Chadash- Barbara Loesser, Minyanaire Shabbat- Nov 23, 2019

2. Melissa Magenheim

- a) Membership report (Handout)
Steven Goldberger reaches out to new members
Lori Jacobs, Administrative Assistant, handles paperwork
Mitch Kreindler- Question- Do we need to restructure forms to encourage sustaining members?
- b) Suggestion that FAC review forms

B. Financial Status Update– Steven Goldberger

Denise Mosk gives report in Steven's absence

See Handouts

- a) Total Income- \$50,000 less than this time last year
- b) YK Appeal- \$46,000 outstanding
- c) Jan 25th Fundraiser- \$60,000 in pledges, \$13,000 collected

V. Old Business

A. Leadership Development Committee – Mitch Kreindler

- a) Trying to start committee, has approached CBS Women, Rabbi Teller for participant names
- b) Would like to have this work wrapped by May 2020.
- c) Working with Scott Freedman at Federation

VI. New Business

None

VII. Good and Welfare

CBS Woman- Pot luck at Paula Bottecelli- 75 women in attendance, Vicky Teller – speaker

Michael Zlotnick- Dec 22nd- Kosher Chili cook-off sample event

Men's club- needs a place to meet on Sunday- Shul is so busy!

Don't forget to submit family photo for CBS directory!

Meeting Adjourned: El Waldman- 1st

Michael Zlotnick- 2nd

Executive session called after meeting

* = Auxiliary Reports need to be submitted in writing to David Lewis, secretary, in advance to be distributed at the Board of Trustees meeting unless an oral presentation is necessary to support a request (motion, resolution, etc..) for the Board to take some particular action. If you will need to make a motion or resolution, please inform Rhoda Goldberg at least 3 days in advance of a Board meeting.

Save the Date:

Shir Chadash Service – Friday, November 22, 2019

Neshama Minyan – Friday, December 6, 2019

Discovery Minyan – Saturday, December 7, 2019

Board Meeting – December 19, 2019

Friday Night Ruach – Friday, December 20, 2019

Gala - Saturday, January 25, 2020

Respectfully submitted by Ellen Baskin Fiesinger, 12/29/2019.