

TJC Board Meeting 4/16/26

Present:

Lew Gantwerk
Rachelle Simon
Warren Mitlak
Judy Kutin
Abigail Rose
Moshe Margolin
Louise Sandburg
Abbye Cornfield
Jen Black
Suzanne Esterman
Edye Kamenir
Lynne Ross
RAM

7:05 Lew called the meeting to order

1. Committee Reports

Louise: Social Action Committee report. A lot of Social Action activities. Chavurat Chesed has been revitalized.

Lynne: I want to get the word out about our friendly visits program and get more people aware of asking for a visit.

Judy: We already have 47 kids signed up for RS next year. We offered the incentive of this year's rates.

Moshe: We only get a few slots for Israel speakers so we try to bring in top speakers. Lior Sternfeld is coming 4/28 at 7 to talk about Israel and Iran.

2. Corner Lot update

Lew: Josh was asked for a proposal for what comes next and what it would cost. Josh is still working on it. I should have it next week.

3. Financial Report

Meeting 5/14 to approve budget.

Warren: Doing well but the year is not over. We will probably end overbudget. But we paid off the mortgage and have \$180k security donation. Life and Legacy is up to about \$700k from \$550. We didn't have a gala. We'll see how we do with our 5/17 event. Joel is putting together the budget and I will look it over. My expectation is that we will raise the dues.

Two policies: 1) Life and Legacy Endowment Fund Policy originally written 4/2018. Restricted fund. The intention of the fund was to be used in the future. We rewrote it so that before it can be used for operating expenses the fund must be 2.5x budget or ~\$5 million. It can always be used for emergencies.

Edye: I would suggest the clause about emergency use should be appended.

Warren: To use for emergency requires a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of the Board. The old policy is more complicated.

2) Cash Management Policy. This is an issue because we are switching banks to JP Morgan/Chase. They don't have a money market fund. We move money to the brokerage account and get a money market fund. The main change is allowing brokered CDs.

A quorum was not present for voting. Moshe made a motion and Edye seconded to table the vote until the next meeting when we have a quorum.

Membership Dues	2024-2025	2025-2026	2026-2027
2 Adult Household	\$ 2,964	\$ 3,084	\$ 3,146
1 Adult Household	\$ 1,790	\$ 1,850	\$ 1,887
Senior Couple	\$ 2,371	\$ 2,491	\$ 2,540
Senior Single	\$ 1,432	\$ 1,492	\$ 1,522
Security	\$ 200	\$ 236	\$ 250
Bnai Mitzvah fee	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400

4. Fundraising event, Congregational Meeting

Lev: Annual fund will be over \$420k. We are hoping it should be over \$100k more than was budgeted. In addition, we were given \$180k for security and \$30k/year for two years toward a security guard. Also, I think about how to get TJC to be higher in people's priority for donations.

Abigail: People think they are already paying dues. Also, I think we do better when there is a specific fundraising goal.

Lev: May 17th Gratitude fundraiser for first responders.

The five first responder organizations will get \$1k each and the rest is a TJC fundraiser.

5. Nominating Committee

Abigail: 5 positions to fill. We have a President, VP of Administration and 1 trustee commitments. We need a VP of Finance and one trustee.

6. New Business

RAM: It's important to engage our young families and have them see us. We have many B'nai Mitzvahs coming up. If you don't want to come to services, you can be a greeter.

Abbye: Guess Who's Coming to Shabbat 5/8.

Warren: Maybe a gift for the parents at the Bar Mitzvah, like a reduced rate membership the next year.

7. Review of the minutes

Approval was postponed until next meeting when we have a quorum

8:18 Meeting Adjourned