

Jewish Reconstructionist Congregation
Board of Directors' Meeting

Date: February 12, 2020

Location: JRC - Rooms 210/211

Start Time: 7:30 pm

End Time: 10:09 pm

Item	Action
I. Welcome and Call to Order	
II. Blessings	
III. D'var	
IV. Appoint Timekeeper	Appointed
V. Minutes from January 8 Board Meeting	Approved
VI. Consent Agenda A. Rabbi's Report B. Cantor's Report C. Executive Director's Report D. Treasurer's Report E. Administration Report F. Leadership Development Report G. Financial Development Report H. Executive Director Search Status Report I. Ritual Practices Report	Approved
VII. Monthly Financials and Update on Kesef Accounting Service	<p>Summary results for the first six months of FY 20 vs the budget were reviewed. Total revenue is short of budget; however, funds raised from the April 18 gala are anticipated to resolve the shortfall. Expenses are on target. Kesef's responsiveness and accounting output is much improved, though some fine-tuning and corrections are still needed.</p> <p>The Board approved a motion to hire a temp in the office to assist with accounting tasks. The total amount approved for this position is \$3,500 for FY 20.</p>
VIII. Initial Draft Budget FY 21	<p>The first draft of the FY 21 budget was reviewed. An updated version will be presented at the March 11 Board meeting.</p>
IX. Update Housing Allowance	<p>The Board approved a motion to increase the monthly housing allowance for Rabbi Weiss.</p>

X. Website Status Update	The transition of JRC’s website from the JVillage platform, which is closing down, to the Shul Cloud platform by the March 31 deadline is underway. After the move is completed, new website design options will be considered.
XI. Board Goal Progress	To document active support of the four Board goals, Board members each shared what they will do in the next month to support one of the goals.
XII. Sign up for Gift Giving, D’var, Snacks	Board members were encouraged to sign up.
XIII. Yasher Koach	<p>Board members recognized these individuals:</p> <p>For organizing the January 26 Family Education Day: Salli Berg Seeley, Beth Lange, Debi Lewis, Tamar Frolichstein-Appel, Michael Grossman.</p> <p>For organizing JRC’s February 1 Night at the <i>Concerning Foster</i> performance at Mudlark Theater: Racial Equity Task Force members Jen Jaffe, Nina Lynn, Julia Tauber. Maya Jaffe for participating in the discussion panel at Concerning Foster.</p> <p>For the February 2 Strategic Planning Retreat: Linda Mathias Kaskel, Diana McNelis, Becca Sperling, Madaliene Schalet, David Tabak,, Sharon Diaz, Rabbi Rachel Weiss, Rabbi David Eber, Cantor Howard Friedland, Erin Witz (from Roosevelt University).</p> <p>For organizing the February 7 Tu B’Shevat Seder: Lucky Gorman, Phyllis Kravitz, Michael Bloom.</p> <p>For the women’s a cappella group, which performed <i>The Course</i> at the Tu B'Shvat seder: Becca Lapat, Anne Wildman, Carrie Elsberg, Ronni Lewis, Debi Lewis, Alyssa Chung, Becca Sperling.</p> <p>For coordinating the Moldofsky family shiva: Sara Polonsky, Monica Lasky, Tamar Frolichstein-Appel.</p> <p>Sandy Spatz and Reese Gratch for leading the Capital Campaign.</p> <p>Rich Katz for recalibrating the sound in the social hall.</p> <p>For their work on JRC’s website transition: Debi Lewis, Linda Mathias Kaskel, Becca Sperling.</p>
XIV. Good and Welfare	Items were shared.
XV. Executive Session	

XVI. Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Board meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2020.