

TBI Board Meeting 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
May 8, 2014

TBI 29th and University

In attendance: Craig Starr, Bruce Kreitzberg, Richard Shugar, Marsha Ginsberg, Nathan Philips, Nina Korican, Michael Griffel, Justine Lovinger, Maram Epstein, Hap Ponedel, Mindy Schlossberg, Amy Steckel, Rabbi Yitz, Rabbi Boris, Alan Leiman

Absent: Geraldine Moreno-Black, Scott Fellman, Aura Solomon

Rabbi Boris led a Torah study about the shmita year and how it's a reminder to us about the importance of taking a break.

There was no one present for **Public Forum**.

The minutes of the April 10th meeting were approved with one correction.

New Business – There is a congregational meeting on May 22nd at 7pm.

Maram has gotten in touch with Carol Silverman, who teaches Jewish folklore at U of O. She has decided to make TBI's 80th anniversary the focus of her fall class. There is a Master's student who is going to work on putting together a visual project by the fall.

Nina urged Board members to reserve their spots. Nicole is organizing the auction and welcomes gift certificate donations.

Security – Scott has been asked to chair a new Security committee. He hasn't accepted yet, but Maram is hopeful. Our main watchman, Michael, has left. We will look to hire a new watchman/custodian at the end of summer. The Security committee can assess our needs before we hire.

Finances, TBI Now, Life and Legacy – Amy reported that the Finance committee met last week. The finances look good with a net income of \$76,000.

Nathan reported that TBI Now has received \$35,000 in pledges in the past month. That takes us to \$810,00 overall. Our goal for the next \$100,000 payment is Shavuot, June 2nd. We are not close to that goal yet, with only about \$39,000 in the account.

Maram reported that Life and Legacy has been going well. The committee could use another person to help out.

Report on RRC – Craig reported that there have been 2 recent meetings. He has provided minutes of those meetings. The main topics of the meetings revolved around dues and the governing structure of the Reconstructionist movement. They are working on a strategic plan and mission statement.

Rabbis report – Both rabbis submitted reports.

ED report – Nate has started as the Outreach Coordinator. The position is not well-defined, so he will be working closely with the Membership committee.

We are having a Shabbat potluck on 5/16 and Nate is making an effort to reach out to folks who attended the community seder, but don't attend other TBI events. Board members are encouraged to attend. Nina submitted a report about the activity over the past month.

The Board went into Executive Session.