

TBI Board Minutes
February 12, 2015

Present: Aura Solomon, Scott Fellman, Richard Argosh, Nathan Philips, Craig Starr, Bruce Kreitzberg, Geraldine Moreno, Nina Korican, Amy Steckel, Hap Ponedel, Marsha Ginsberg, Michael Griffel, Richard Shugar

Absent: Mindy Schlossberg, Justine Lovinger, Jeff Kirtner, Maram Epstein

Torah Study: Rabbi Boris offered a teaching about how life's challenges and tensions deepen our relationships, our spiritual life and our service to god.: "If the station we arrive at is one of tranquility, then we took the wrong route."

Approval of last month's minutes

Retreat Recap:

RRC Policy Change-- The Executive Committee recommends a community process after search is completed. In the meantime, we will seek advice from Rabbi Waxman while she is here at TBI.

By-Laws Revision on the Authority of the Board regarding the approval/ renewal of rabbinic contract: We unanimously approved the first three parts of the proposed revisions. For the fourth part of this issue, we defined a minyan as thirty "voting members." We intend to revisit the definition of "voting members." We also specified a two-thirds majority for an overturn of a Board action.

Rabbi Waxman event, Feb. 19-- Nathan encourages us all to attend. And to bring a friend or two!

RHH Celebration and Fundraising: The event is set for May 31 at 4:30 pm, and the program will be reminiscent of our successful 80th birthday celebration.

Treasurer's Report: We are beginning to budget for the next year and are accepting, specifically for our Talmud Torah and TBI Legacy/ Endowment Funds, the OJCF recommendation. The Board voted unanimously to approve the proposed investment policy that follows the OJCF recommendation for managed funds: 60% equities, 37 percent fixed income, and 3 percent real estate.

Egan Warming Center Proposal: Nina brought to the Board their request that we offer additional services to the homeless. She also presented her research on how other faith communities have considered this proposal. A unanimous decision was reached to decline the Egan Warming Center request.

Board moved into Executive Session
Feb.12 meeting notes