

UVJC Board of Trustees
Executive Meeting Minutes
31 January 2017
7:00 pm – Roth Center for Jewish Life

Present: Sue Berg, Deb Kaplan, Jeff Lubell, Laura Rosenthal, Rusty Sachs; Members at Large: Felixa Eskey, Matthew Henken **Regrets:** Bill Brown; Robert Shumsky **Ex-Officio:** Rabbi Boraz

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Executive BOT meeting 7 December 2016 minutes– Approved as submitted.

2. **Reports**

a. **Annual Dinner:** May 7, 2017

- Entertainment by Cantor Jodi Blankenstein confirmed.
- Deb will share notes from previous years with Laura. Need more people to organize.
- Do not plan to hold an auction. Invitation will solicit donations. Consider asking for sponsorships for entertainment and food.

b. **Seder:** April 11, 2017. Deb and Felixa volunteered to organize.

c. **Jewish Federation of New Hampshire:** Representatives would like to meet with members of the BOT to discuss how JFNH can support the UVJC. Invite them to come on a Sunday to experience our Sunday school and meet with leadership. JFNH currently provides support for our school, and camperships to some of our members. The amount of support is dependent on how much our members contribute to JFNH.

d. **Jewish women's group:** Great turnout (32) at first gathering at the Norwich Inn. Many ideas for future events, Rusty will discuss with Rachel.

e. **Learner's Service:** 42 attended, many of whom are not regulars at the Saturday morning service. Plan to repeat with a focus on "reconnection" to the service.

f. **Treasurer's Report:** Financial statements were distributed in advance.

No formal report. Expenses are down and donations are up compared to last year.

g. **Major Donor Committee:** Rusty is meeting with a professional fundraiser who specializes in gifts over \$10,000.

3. **Old Business**

a. **Hebrew name**

Feedback is open through February 10. Will choose 5-6 to put to a vote (vote for 3 in order of preference). If no clear winner will have a 2nd vote between the top 2. Plan to announce the new name at the annual meeting.

4. **New Business**

a. **20th Anniversary of Roth Center and Rededication of our Holocaust scroll:** Celebration scheduled for April 20, 2018. Fundraising opportunity.

b. **Request from Natasha Troika to use the Roth Center for a Jewish musical presentation.** We are supportive. Sue will communicate with Natasha.

5. **Next Meeting & Events:**

a. Full BOT – Wednesday, March 1

b. BOT retreat – Sunday, March 5 from noon-3pm. Plan to invite Amanda Silver to lead a training about community engagement.

Adjourned 8:20 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan Berg
Secretary