

Kol H'Emek UVJC Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

1 February 2018

6:30 PM

Present: Sue Berg, Alice Berliner, Debbe Callaghan, Thomas Cochran, Paul Etkind, Felix Eskey, Jeff Lubell, Kathy Parsonnet, Laura Rosenthal, Rusty Sachs, Lynn Schwartz, Robert Shumsky

Regrets: Bill Brown, Gloria Finkelstein, Matthew Henken, Stephen Woloshin

Ex-Officio: Rabbi Boraz

1. **Recognition of Laura.** Previous BOT members Lori Hirshfield, Robyn Jacobs, & Rachel Kleinbaum joined. Best wishes in your next life adventure in Vancouver Laura, you will be greatly missed!
2. **Call to Order (Rusty)**
3. **Approval of Minutes:** 7 January 2018 minutes approved as written.
4. **Treasurer Report:** Statements circulated prior to the meeting. We are doing well compared to last year. Reduction in tuition this year is a payment timing issue.
5. **20th Anniversary & Torah celebration (Thomas):** Scheduled March 23-25. Events planned for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Paul Etkind will be submitting an article to the NH Reporter. Valley News is also being contacted. Photo exhibit will be held at the Roth Center. Melanie McDonald from NH Jewish Federation plans to attend and we will invite trustees from congregations in the area that also have Holocaust scrolls. Volunteers needed for set up.
6. **Sustainability Campaign (Debbe):** Reached 49% of goal with \$99,000 already in the bank. Expect public phase to begin when ~80% of goal. Hope to end campaign by Shavuot. Bringing community together as part of Rabbi search has been helpful to the campaign.
7. **New Logo** – Expect to have mock ups to review next week.
8. **Security:** We would like the College to do the work. Cost is ~ \$11,000. Waiting for confirmation that Hillel will cover 50% of cost.
9. **Passover Community Seder:** 2nd night, Saturday 3/31/18. Volunteers needed.
10. **Education Committee (Felix):** A member approached committee about arranging for speakers and programs related to Israel. Given that we are in transition, should gather ideas for discussion with the new Rabbi. Suggested asking Gil Raz, an Israeli congregant, to participate in planning. Important that community forums on this topic are led by a skilled moderator and have ground rules including mutual respect. Let members know about Dickey Center and other relevant Dartmouth programs.
11. **Aging with Dignity Course:** Only 3 have registered so will postpone until spring. Will advertise that this is not only for those who are elderly but also for their families and those “planning to get older”. Will need some funding for catering and to cover the cost of participant booklets (\$15-\$20 each).

12. **SAC - Level 2 Sanctuary Organization:** Jeff will speak with Carolyn to clarify the wording that will be published defining a Level 2 Organization. We are supportive of informing the congregation of opportunities to be invited to volunteer on various committees to assist immigrants.

13. **Rabbi Search Committee (Jeff):** 3 finalists are scheduled to come for a visit. They will each lead a Reform Friday evening service at Moore Hall, a traditional Saturday morning service at the Roth Center and a Havdalah service. Visits are scheduled for: Feb 9-10, Feb 16 -17 , and March 3-4. Some of the candidates request that we don't publicize their names on our website so they don't jeopardize their current positions.

14. **Ruach Committee:** Will find a date to hold a Shabbat to honor our students who are graduating from high school.

15. **Next Meeting:** March 7, 2018 at 7 pm.

Adjourned 8:10 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan Berg, Secretary