

**Kehillat Beth Israel  
Board of Directors  
March 28, 2019  
Simcha Room  
Minutes**

**Present:**

Jay Amdur	Mordechai Brodt	Jodi Gitter
Lorne Goldstein	Joel Sachs	Kivi Shapiro
Judah Silverman	Harvey Slack	Harland Tanner
Helen Zipes		

**Secretary:**

Jonathan Meijer

**Clergy Present:**

Rabbi Eytan Kenter  
Rabbi Deborah Zuker

**Staff Present:**

Rena Garshowitz

**Guest Present:**

Abe Feinstein	Michael Senzilet
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**Regrets:**

Ilana Albert-Novick	Cantor Jason Green	Stuart McCarthy
Eric Weiner		

**1.0 PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

**1.1 Call to Order and Welcome** **Helen Zipes**

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 PM.

**1.2 Special presentation on behalf of  
the Governance Committee** **Abe Feinstein and Michael Senzilet**

(Please see the presentation in **Appendix A.**)

**1.3 Call for Declaration of Conflict of Interest** **Helen Zipes**

None of the members present declared any conflict of interest.

**1.4 D'var Torah** **Rabbi Kenter**

- 1.5 Moment of Silence to commemorate those congregants who have passed away since the last board meeting** **Helen Zipes**

Judy Eskin  
Hermy Lior  
Sheila Hartman  
Shirley Levine  
Philip Melnick

- 1.6 Approval of the Agenda of March 28, 2019** **Helen Zipes**

A motion was made by Joel Sachs and seconded by Lorne Goldstein to approve the agenda.

The motion was carried.

- 1.7 Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Directors for February** **Jonathan Meijer**

A motion was made by Jonathan Meijer and seconded by Harvey Slack to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors for the meeting held on February 28, 2018.

The motion was carried.

- 1.8 Business arising from Minutes or submitted reports** **Helen Zipes**

No business arose.

### **3.0 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- 3.1 Executive Director's written statement respecting the status of staff salaries and remittances to government** **Rena Garshowitz**

Rena presented the statement to the Board.  
(Please find the written statement in **Appendix B.**)

- 3.2 Monthly Financial Report (January 2019)** **Jay Amdur**

Jay presented the Financial Report for January 2019.  
(Please find the report in **Appendix C.**)

- 3.3 Budget Planning update and review** **Jay Amdur**

Jay thanked the Board members for their Budget submissions. The Finance and Audit Committee met and requested additional information from some of the portfolios. As such, the proposed budget will be presented for review at the next Board meeting.

#### **4.0 REPORTING OPTIONS WITH DISCUSSION AND VOTE**

##### **4.1 Other business raised by any Director requiring Board decision or authority**

No other business was raised.

#### **5.0 REPORTING WITH DISCUSSION BUT WITHOUT VOTE**

##### **5.1 Educational Update**

**Rabbi Kenter**

###### **1) Religious school update**

Rabbi Kenter reported that the two-year pilot project of KBI participating as a partner in Ottawa Talmud Torah (OTT) is drawing to an end. He indicated that there have been some meaningful work done to-date and that he is continuing to work with the OTT Board and the other synagogue partners in the city to promote the shared vision for OTT.

###### **2) Community High School program**

Rabbi Kenter reported that he is working with partners for the proposed community high school afternoon program and he is hoping to prepare a flyer before Pesach to advertise the program.

##### **5.2 Other business raised by any Director**

No other business was raised.

**6.0 REPORTING WITHOUT DISCUSSION OR VOTE**

**6.1 Other business raised by any Director**

No other business was raised.

**7.0 IN CAMERA**

**A motion was made by Helen Zipes and seconded by Harland Tanner to accept the recommendation of the Personnel Committee, supported by the approval of the Finance and Audit Committee, to renew the employment contract of Rabbi Eytan Kenter for an additional five (5) years.**

**The motion was carried.**

**8.0 NEXT MEETING – Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 6:30 PM**

**9.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 PM.**

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Jonathan Meijer, Secretary

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Date of approval

## **APPENDICES**

The following appendices follow this page, in order:

- Appendix A: Special presentation from the Governance Committee
- Appendix B: Statement respecting the status of staff salaries and remittances to the government
- Appendix C: Financial report for January 2019
- Appendix D: Building our Future report