

Or Shalom Annual General Meeting
November 3, 2019
710 E. 10th Avenue, Vancouver, BC

Call to Order: 11:10am
Introduction: Martin Gotfit

Motion to accept the Agenda. Lorne Prupas - motion passes

Motion to Accept Minutes of 2018 minutes with the amendment of adding to it the names of those people elected the Board at the 2018 AGM.- Motion passes

Kavannah: Rabbi Hannah Dresner

Chair's Report - Martin Gotfit

Expressed gratitude for the Board, Staff and Rabbi of Or Shalom. Acknowledging we are moving forward standing on the shoulders of previous Boards of Directors. Some projects the shul is working on: hiring a Master Teacher, integrating new members, bringing flexible seating into the sanctuary, meditation retreat continuing Shabbat Sheli, Little Lights, Shabbat Soul, Kid Soul, hiring Shelley's replacement. Exploring the possibility of hiring an Executive Director.

Finance Committee Report: Paul McCurry, Treasurer

The shul is currently running at an \$18,000 deficit due to an increase in salaries and increased education expenses this year. To manage this the Finance Committee has asked the Board to approve an increase in membership dues, an increase in campaign collection and the addition of a fundraiser this coming year (Come On Over dinners).

Motion to approve financial statements: Paul McCurry. Motion passes

Outline of process for finding new board members: Linda Peritz

Linda begins by asking current board members if they will be returning next year. She then asks the board and R'Hannah to send her a list of potential new board members. She then phones those people and asks if they are willing. Most say no, some say yes.

Stepping down:

- Motti Lis
- Valerie Dolgin

New Nominees:

- Deborah Ross-Grayman
- Dave Kaufman

Current/returning:

- Paul McCurry
- Abby Fitch
- Martin Gotfit
- Antoine Miller
- Mark Drew
- Mark Welch
- Ros Kunin

Current board members and nominees each give a short introduction.

Motion to acclaim current board: Linda Peritz. Motion passes.

Hana Wosk invites the community to get involved with the membership committee to help new members get integrated into the Or Shalom community.

Vicki Robinson offers to host people at her home for shabbat

Pat requests new members be announced in the Doar.

Avril Orloff suggests a request in the Doar to invite people to give names as hosts for new member shabbat dinners.

Gloria Levi requests the minutes of board meetings be published in the Doar. And also asks that we have a discussion of how we decide where the shul's tzedakkah gets allocated.

Avril Orloff amplifies the need for more communication between Board and the rest of the community.

A request for more information on the Building Committee: John Fuerst reports that the committee's initial report will come out in the next 1 to 2 weeks.

Lorne Mallin asks for more information on the process of replacing the pews with chairs. This is still in process.

Roz Kunin acknowledges Martin Gotfrit's work as chair of the Board.

A special thank you to Karen Rabinovitch for the breakfast offerings today.

Motion for adjournment: Linda Peritz. Motion passes.

Meeting adjourned: 12:22pm.