

**Unit 547 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, March 10, 2026**  
**Temple Beth Torah**

Board Members Present: Raeann Koerner, Bunny Raymond, Kay Mendel, Suzanne Brenner, Gary Ansok, Jim Wall, Buki Burke, and Ray Tsuyuki.

Absent: Gerri Knilans and Craig Kavin

The meeting was called to order by Raeann Koerner at 10:41 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes** - A motion was made by Kay Mendel to approve the minutes from February 17, 2026 and 2nd by Ray Tsuyuki , M/S/A.

**Treasurer Report - Kay Mendel**

Kay explained that there was a transfer of funds from our checking account to a 6 month CD for \$40,000 at 3.25% interest.

Prior to the meeting Kay sent the board her report for consideration:

Sheet 1: Monthly Income and Expense  
We had a net gain of \$1,052.

Sheet 2: TBT Detail  
We had a net gain for the month of \$46.

A motion was made by Jim Wall to accept the Treasurer Report as presented, 2nd by Ray Tsuyuki, M/S/A.

**Club Manager's Report - Jim Wall**

Prior to the meeting Jim sent the board:  
The February Attendance Report and In and Out Report

**Director Liaison Report - Gary Ansok**

Gary announced that Diane Gunther had agreed to direct at our Saturday games, and Gary was going to ask if Don or Nancy might be able to assist her since Gary was going to be out of town for our first game to be held on April 11. With further discussion, it was decided that it would be better for us to wait and begin the Saturday game on May 2nd. Raeann will contact Mark about

the date change and to inquire as to how many tables can actually be available that day. It was determined that the room will hold 6 tables, with the potential for 3 more to be set up in the hallway. Consequently, we will request that reservations be made in advance. The game and the need for reservations will be announced through Pianola and during the club games two weeks prior to May 2nd. Suzanne offered to be the focal point for receiving the reservations. The board agreed to pay up to \$100 for Diane to come to a game and shadow Gary to become familiar with the procedures to be used.

## **Old/Continuing Business**

### **Beginning Bridge Class**

Raeann will be out of town, so there will be no lessons on March 12 or 19th. Kay volunteered to be available for those students that would like to come to practice on those days. Raeann will email her students to let them know about this possibility.

### **Saturday Game**

Prior to the meeting Mark sent information for the board.

PVRPD contract application option / trade off document comparing the costs and room option availability comparisons.

The game will begin at 11:00am.

It was clarified that Gary would be responsible for creating the necessary boards for the game, and transporting the items either to the game location or to the individual who will. Other items that he will ensure get to the game include:

Computer, printer, bidding boxes, pencils, paper supplies.

The other items that need to get to the game include:

Two coffee pots - 1 for coffee, the other for hot water

Cups with lids - this is required for all beverages

Tea bags, Coffee, Filters, Instant Decaf coffee

Sugar, dry creamer, stir stick or spoons, napkins

Cookies ( the only food item to be offered)

Kay will be responsible for purchasing cups and lids for the game.

There was discussion about the possibility of having a Guaranteed Partner for the Saturday game, but this was tabled until we see how the game goes and as well discussed with Joy Kobayashi about adding that to her current requests for a GP.

### **Update Strawberry and Harvest Sectional Tournaments - Mark**

The contract has been signed for the Strawberry Sectional. Mark also shared that he is in continued conversations with PVRPD regarding our need for up to 50 tables for our sectionals, and indicated that there may be discussion in a future meeting that might assist in this area. Mark invited board members to attend with him if interested and available.

Mark please keep the board informed about the meeting, and when it is likely to occur.

### **Game start time - Bunny**

Bunny had some members ask about the possibility of starting our Tuesday and Thursday games at 12:00, as Wednesday is now. Raeann shared that she had previously informally polled members at games, and the response was mixed. It was decided to table the discussion until next month. Ray suggested that if this is something that we consider changing that we allow the membership to vote. It was suggested that if we do decide to ask members to vote that it be announced in a Pianola providing members a method to vote even if they cannot be present during the in-person vote.

### **Communication for Members and Non-Members**

Bunny mentioned to Raeann the difficulty that has been occurring for our members and for individuals that play at our club but are unable to receive notifications from our club.

Raeann discussed the situation with Bob Gruber and believes that this is something that can be improved. The initial step is that we need to ensure that we have correct emails for these people. It was suggested that we create a print out of our current phone/email list and post it at our games. Then ask that everyone ensure that the information is correct. If someone sees that they are not on the list, and/or there is incorrect information, they will need to email Raeann with the corrected information.

### **New Business**

#### **Set date for Mini-McKinney and Ace of Clubs Presentation**

Gary ordered the medallions and they have arrived, Raeann has printed the Ace of Virtual Clubs and Mini-McKinney certificates, but has not received the Ace of Club Certificates yet. The selection for the date for the presentations was tabled until next month's meeting.

### **Donation to the Temple's Fire Insurance Fund - Raeann**

After discussion, Kay Mendel made a motion that we would make a donation of \$100 to Temple Beth Torah for the Fire Insurance Fund, 2nd by Buki Burke, M/S/A.

### **Birthday Celebration**

After discussion, it was decided to celebrate March birthdays at the St. Patty's Game celebration. Kay offered to purchase the cake for that day.

### **By Law Review - Raeann**

Raeann complimented the board on their efforts at our By Law Review meeting. Jim updated the board on the clarifying questions that we had and we are ready to now edit the current By Laws, and be signed effective 2026. Raeann will see if she has access to these documents online or on a flash drive.

It was discussed that at our next meeting we will begin to discuss other items that are on our website listed in the "More" section: Job Descriptions and the Covid Protocol are examples.

### **April Meeting**

Our next board meeting will be on Wednesday, April 15 at 10:30 am.

### **No Bridge Dates**

There will be no regular bridge games on

March 31-Tuesday

April 1-Wednesday

April 7 - Tuesday

### **Team Game**

The date has been changed to Tuesday, April 28th starting at 12:00. Bunny offered to create a sign up sheet for participating in the Team Game.

President, Raeann Koerner, adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Suzanne Brenner, Secretary.

