

Unit 547 Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, July 11, 2024
Temple Beth Torah

Board Members Present: Margie Butler, Raeann Koerner, Jim Wall, Gary Ansok, Craig Kavin, Sue Houk, Gerri Knilans, and Suzanne Brenner

Absent Member: Kay Mendel

Guests Present: Mark Eckhout

The meeting was called to order Margie Butler at 10:52 a.m..

Old/Continuing Business

Approval of Minutes - A motion was made by Sue Houk to approve the minutes from June 13, 2024 and 2nd by Craig Kavin, M/S/A.

Treasurer's Report

Prior to the meeting, Kay had emailed her report to the board for review. In summary:

Sheet 1: Monthly Income and Expense

We had a gain of \$879 this month due to the extra income from the Strawberry Tournament.

Sheet 2: TBT Detail

We had a gain of \$448 for the month.

Sheet 3: TH Detail

We had a loss of \$86.

Strawberry Tourn P & L

We had a net gain of \$1129. This is a preliminary report.

Reminder: The gains we make at our regular and tournament games are meant to cover overhead such as insurance, chairs, carrying cases, printers, convention cards and other supplies, ie, all the general expenses not associated with a specific game day.

A motion was made by Suzanne Brenner to approve the Treasurer Report for June 2024, and 2nd by Jim Wall, M/S/A.

Strawberry Tournament Report (Mark Eckhout)

Mark reported that Lillian Jiang, a member, had made a donation of \$250.00 to our club to be used toward future sectional expenses.

In summary of the recent tournament, Mark had held a meeting with a number of members to discuss the tournament, what we would like to do differently in the future and what to consider as we move forward with future plans. One main goal is to learn more from other clubs as to how to handle pre-reservations and cancellations, deposits, etc. Our method this year was not as successful as we had hoped.

The PVPD Auditorium remains our first choice for a location except for the cost factor. Consequently, Mark will continue to investigate other options and the Camarillo YMCA is going to discuss whether they would like to extend the opportunity for us to use their facility again.

Mark has offered to be in charge of the Valentine Sectional and is in the planning phases as to where this might be able to be held.

Club Operations & Management (Jim Wall)

Jim had sent the attendance report prior to the meeting. There was an issue this week with the instant matchpoint game, but it was determined that would be fixed by someone in our club.

Transition to a new President

Margie resigned as our President due to her upcoming move. Suzanne Brenner made a motion to elect our Vice President, Raeann Koerner, as President. The motion was 2nd by Sue Houk, M/S/A.

Margie will continue to be responsible as our Webmaster and Pianola contact until replacements are found. Raeann offered to meet with Margie to learn about the Pianola account.

Chairs (Raeann)

Chairs have been ordered and should arrive within 1-2 weeks.

New Business

Temple Beth Torah rent (Margie)

Margie was called by Nancy Marcus, the previous president of TBT about negotiating the amount that we have been paying TBT - basically asking for us to

pay more, but with the caveat of not wanting to ask for an amount that we would not be able to handle.

Margie had a contract from 2014 showing that we were paying \$750 a month, and the contract stated that TBT could ask for an annual increase of 3% which they have not done. It was discussed that further information was needed, and clarification from Kay regarding possibly a more current contract that we should review. It was agreed that once that was done that Raeann, Margie, and Kay would be in contact with the temple as to how to best proceed. The board was in agreement that we need to pay more, and wondered if there might be more negotiations that include additional services such as equipment set up, etc.

Townehouse Liaison needed (Margie)

Jim Wall volunteered to be responsible as the liaison.

Meeting Day (Raeann)

It was agreed that we will meet on Tuesday's for board meetings. Our next meeting will be on August 6, at 11:00 am.

Coffee Donation (Gerri)

Gerri Knilans generously offered to pay for the club's expenditure for coffee for a year. She will purchase the coffee once she is notified as to the amount the club uses for a year.

Director Meeting (Gary)

Gary will contact the directors to coordinate a meeting with all participants and Craig Kavin to discuss consistent procedures for how to handle issues as presented.

Margie Butler, President, adjourned the meeting at 12:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Suzanne Brenner, Secretary.