

## **Congregation Shalom Annual Meeting**

**26 June 2022**

### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Lacey Dalby, Stan Drezek, Wendy Drezek, Secretary Dawn Elmore, Matt Kordelski, Treasurer Adam Falkiewicz, Maury Goldstein, Rabbi Lisa Goldstein, Rod Hudson, Kathi Kardon, Laura Kraus, Denes Marton, Kimberly Martinez, Stephen Samet, Chairperson David Shane, Barbara Silverstein, Sondra Singer, Marga Speicher, Mike Stern, Barbara Stern, Christine Vidouria, Karin Waugh Zucker, Sue Weintraub; Dorothy Marton and Matt Shane each attended for a short time but were not present for the full meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 1:09 PM.

#### **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT (DAVID SHANE):**

- David Shane reported that the congregation will begin having in-person services at House of Prayer Lutheran Church beginning in August. We were able to work out a very modest rental agreement with them. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall, which gives us flexibility for set-up and distancing as needed.
- The Executive Committee has proposed establishing six committees that will be working starting this fiscal year: Marketing, Membership, Ritual Support, Security, Finance, and Medical. Everyone should expect to serve on at least one committee.
- Adam Falkiewicz moved and Steve Samet seconded the creation of the committees. The motion passed by a vote of 22-2.

#### **RABBI'S REPORT (RABBI LISA GOLDSTEIN):**

- Lisa has been attending a collaborative group of faith leaders that meets on Thursday mornings. It was convened by Mayor Nirenberg and has included information on COVID as well as briefings on the social services needed and available throughout our San Antonio community. She has also been working with the Interfaith San Antonio Alliance.
- The website is built. The main challenges to launching it have been an issue with the slider on the home page, setting up a password protected Members Only section, and linking our domain. Rabbi Goldstein has an appointment with a tech specialist this week that should remedy these problems.
- The white Torah mantle had to be replaced as the one we had from Temple Chai was lost during the move. Rabbi Goldstein used money from the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund to pay for the new mantle.

- Rabbi Goldstein is working on an Adult Learning class on Preparing for the High Holy Days to take place during Elul. She plans to offer an introductory Hebrew class, considering the number of people who have completed Intro to Judaism this past year. She also plans to create a follow-up class for Intro to Judaism.
- We may have 1-2 b'nei mitzvah during the 2022-2023 school year.

#### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT (DAVID SHANE):**

- The Exec Committee presented and recommended that we accept the membership application for Matt Shane.
- Sondra Singer moved and Wendy Drezek seconded accepting the membership application for Matt Shane. The motion was unanimously approved.
- David also noted the congregation had two recent resignations: Ron and Gayle Kipp, and Robert and Lee Markman. Rabbi Lisa has spoken with both couples; they are both leaving with good feelings about Congregation Shalom. Their decisions were personal, not about the congregation.

#### **OUR NEW PHYSICAL LOCATION (RABBI LISA GOLDSTEIN)**

- Services at the House of Prayer will begin on August 5<sup>th</sup>. Keshet will start in September. The new location is 10226 Ironside Drive at Wurzbach. Monthly rent will be \$300.
- Zoom and YouTube service access will continue; however, slide decks will no longer be on screen. To facilitate the change, discounted prayer books will be available for purchase. The Kindle edition is also an option for a more economical choice. Congregants will be able to borrow books from Congregation Shalom.
- We will move one of the new lecterns, the new ark, the small ritual table, and the prayerbooks to the church. We will hire professional movers to move the items from the storage unit. We need to purchase a rolling library cart for the prayerbooks.
- We will need volunteers weekly for room setup, takedown/cleanup, and oneg items.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT (ADAM FALKIEWICZ):**

- Adam Falkiewicz presented the financial report, which included the budget proposal for next year. Although a deficit exists, carryover from last year will cover the shortfall.
- Marga Speicher moved and Lacey Dalby seconded approval of the budget as submitted with the following considerations: we will have an August meeting to consider a revision

after commitments are in; if a deficit remains, we rely on reserves to cover for one year; finance committee will monitor budget to have a clearer picture through June 2023. The motion passed 22-2.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT (STEVE SAMET):**

- Steve Samet submitted the Nominating Committee Report. The committee recommended the officer slate of David Shane, Chairperson; Adam Falkiewicz, Treasurer; and Kim Martinez, Secretary.
- Lacey Dalby moved and Sondra Singer seconded approval of the recommended slate. The motion passed unanimously.

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS (RABBI LISA GOLDSTEIN):**

Rabbi Goldstein offered a blessing on the completion of Dawn Elmore's term as Secretary and expressed gratitude on behalf of herself and the congregation. Rabbi Goldstein then installed David, Adam, and Kim and offered the Priestly Blessing as they begin their respective terms.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:17 PM.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Dawn Elmore, Secretary*