

**Jewish Reconstructionist Congregation  
Board of Directors' Meeting**

Date: March 8, 2023  
Meeting Start: 7:30 pm

Location: Zoom  
End Time 9:27 pm

<b>Item</b>	<b>Action</b>
I. Welcome, Agenda Overview and Call to Order Appoint timekeeper	
II. <a href="#">Blessing/Covenant of Kavod Sicha</a>	
III. D'var Torah	Luke Adams gave a D'Var.
IV. Minutes from February 8, 2023	Motion to approve the minutes passed.
V. Education Director Search and Kehillah Report	Robin Byster reported that the search committee for the Education Director has several viable candidates, one of whom will be visiting Kehillah in March. Robin continues to review Kehillah, using tools such as focus groups and one-on-one meetings.
VI. FY24 Budget	Budget approval is a two-step process, with the Board reviewing and discussing the proposed budget at this meeting and voting at the next Board meeting. The Board reviewed the proposed budget and considered six different forward-focused budget scenarios, with differing assumptions regarding membership growth, dues, revenues and expenses. Based on the discussion, the proposed budget will be revised and presented for approval at the next Board meeting.
VI. Fundraising/Gala Update	The JRC annual Gala is scheduled for April 29, 2023, at the Palmhouse in Evanston. The Gala committee has received substantial commitments for sponsorship as well as offers to host buy-in parties. Planning for the silent auction, paddle raise, and music for the event is underway.
VII. Consent Agenda	Motion to approve the consent agenda. <b>Passed</b>
VIII. Upcoming Meetings	The JRC annual meeting is May 31, 2023. There will be a Board retreat on June 11, 2023.

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IX. Yasher Koach - verbal and google doc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emily – David B for helping us to think honestly and with forethought about the budget; everyone involved in the capital campaign who put their shoulders to the wheel so that the building loan could be paid off.</li> <li>• Micky - Rabbi Rachel for being the leader we needed with our Shabbat of Love, setting the example of hope, love, and resilience, and for reaching out to other faith leaders to be with us.</li> <li>• Robin - Linda Kaskel for teaching Intro to Mah Jong; the Immigration Task force for its' Kehillah presentation, including members Michelle Adelstein, Edie Cantor, Sheri Young, Tamar Frolichstein Appel, Beth Lange, Fred Wellish; Luke Adams and Julia Tauber for teaching challah baking.</li> <li>• Marie - Marty Rosenheck and Ellen Rosen-Kaplan, for building a meditation community at JRC. There are 30 people who keep coming to the meditations, with coffee and tea afterwards. It is a wonderful program; Sandy Spatz, Reese Gratch, and everyone involved in the capital campaign.</li> </ul>
X. Good and Welfare	Items were discussed
XI. Executive Session	Items were discussed
XII. Adjournment	Approved