

JEWISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF GREATER MERCER
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 31, 2018

The President, Scott Schaefer, determining that a quorum was present, called the meeting to order at 7 Gordon Avenue, Lawrence Township, NJ 08648, at 7:00 P.M.

Executive Committee present: Howard Cohen, Florence Kahn (by telephone), Donald Leibowitz, Chip Loeb, Scott Schaefer, Joanne Snow, and Joshua Waldorf

Executive Committee not present: Miki Krakauer, Marty Schwartz

1. Welcome and Report of the President

Scott Schaefer would invite all board members to attend a farewell lunch in honor of Julie Meyer Davidson on August 9th.

2. Status of Integration Options

Scott led a discussion on the status of the various preliminary discussions with similar New Jersey, New York and Massachusetts foundations. Members of the executive committee and Board of Trustees have been gauging interest of these foundations to combining in some manner. All discussions are exploratory. There have been additional discussions with Jewish Foundations in Charlotte, San Diego to learn how their integrations were implemented.

The Executive Committee voiced concern that any integration ensure the Jewish mission and identity be maintained, that there would be representation on the new board, that an advisory committee would still be involved, how Life & Legacy could continue, etc. There were many logistics questions regarding the 501 c (3) status, how the different funds would be handled and informing existing fund holders

A motion was made for the President to continue the discussions with the other organizations and to report back to the Executive Committee in Augusts and to share status of the discussions with the Board of Trustees at the September 2018 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Staffing Needs of Foundation

There was discussion about maintaining the operation of the Jewish Community Foundation during this time of transition. The discussion included understanding staff roles and responsibilities, determining which tasks could be reassigned and its impact on hours and compensation, supervision of staff, seeking an interim or new Executive Director, keeping the office open, ensuring the Foundation was responsive to fund holders and Trustees and role of Trustees in the transition.

A motion was made for the President to begin searching for an interim Executive Director and to interview the staff to better understand everyone's roles and responsibilities. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made for the President to review with the staff which roles and responsibilities could be shifted and the impact on hours and future compensation. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Replacing Renaissance Software

Chip Loeb reviewed with the Executive Committee the continuing challenges of using Renaissance for monthly reporting. There has been an ongoing issue that each month that the reports are off by \$500- \$1,000 and Renaissance has not been able to resolve the issue.

A motion was made for the Treasurer to explore options to replace Renaissance with another software. The motion was passed unanimously.

Upon motions duly made, seconded, and approved the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joshua L. Waldorf, Secretary