

Minutes of Peretz Executive Meeting

November 17, 2011

In attendance: Richard Rosenberg, Victor Neuman, Bernice Kastner, Anton Friedman, Louise Miller, Gary Shilling, Dena Dawson, Donna Becker, Sylvia Friedman, Mark Neuman, Rivka Stein

Approval of the minutes: Motion to approve: MSC Gary, Victor

Business arising

✦ none

President's report

- ✦ **Email from CSJO** giving two statements unanimously approved at business meeting.
 - ◇ Issue with statement 1: larger Jewish community in Vancouver might take issue with CSJO's social action statement conditionally supporting the UN's resolution to admit Palestine as a member state. We'll leave it for now unless issue arises in the future.

Treasurer's report

- ◇ Rentals ahead of last year
- ◇ Montessori School not doing well
- ◇ Met with David Berson. He can be a help to Peretz informally. Suggests we be specific when applying for funding. Focus on being optimistic. He will help us look for a choir patron who would pay \$10,000 a year for 5 years to "name" the choir after them.
- ◇ Peretz should be on YELP
- ◇ Website profile has improved but we are still not on page 1.
- ◇ We should approach all organizations we are associated with to exchange links.

Election of Table Officers

Office	Nominee	Nominator	Secunder	Elected
President	Richard Rosenberg	Gary	Victor	✓
Vice President	Bernice Kastner	Victor	Gary	✓
Treasurer	Victor Neuman	Gary	Richard	✓
Recording Secretary	Anton Friedman	Mark	Richard?	✓
Corresponding Secretary	Mark Neuman	Anton	Victor	✓

Rentals report

- ✦ No rental for New Year's Eve
- ✦ MOST/Bridge (Russian) renters to get price increase
- ✦ Times are tough
- ✦ Iosif is referring Russians here and they are keeping us afloat

Banquet update

- ✦ Boris Shteinberg will be the caterer. He will do the whole meal except for the kosher dishes and vegetarian entrée, which will be done by Susy Siegel.
- ✦ Gift for Claire: to be a brick on the Tree of Life
- ✦ Trying to keep the entertainment a surprise for Claire
- ✦ We are expecting more people from beyond the regular Peretz community

Motion to adjourn: Anton. Next meeting: Thursday, Dec. 15, 2011.