

Summary
Congregation Shir Shalom
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
January 21, 2014

Rabbi Alex was interviewed for the Network of Religious Communities, which will air on Channel 7. 5:30 am Feb. 1, 2014.

The contract to repair the roof has been signed. CentiMark has already completed some emergency repairs and the roof work will be done in the spring.

The upcoming meeting for CSS 2020 will be a planning meeting only. A small group will identify areas to be studied. After this, an invitation will be forthcoming to solicit interested CSS members who want to be part of planning our future.

There are currently 540 members. One new member is pending approval of the Membership Committee.

The Friday night Prayer book Sub-Committee had an initial meeting, and will meet again on Sunday, January 26, 2014. The Committee is interested in more participants. It is not too late to join them.

The overall financial health of the synagogue is good. At this point, we are halfway through the fiscal year and finding that some income items were less than expected (dues, religious school, cemetery fund, rentals), and other income and expenses were higher than projected (e.g. annual giving, bingo, PR and administrative costs).

Contract negotiations with our tenant, Buffalo Church Of Christ, have begun.

The vote on the purchase of a High Holiday Prayer book was postponed until next month. This new Reform movement prayer book can be viewed in draft form in the CSS office.

A Saturday morning Tot Shabbat was held for the first time. 14 children attended. Another Saturday morning Tot Shabbat has been planned for March. Rabbi Alex, Ashirah and Linda Bergman were involved.

This was a very successful year for the Annual Giving Campaign in that the dollar amount contributed exceeded the target goal of \$65,000. Additionally, more families contributed than the prior year.

Respectfully submitted,

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CSS Secretary

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