

# **Julius Feingold**

## **1948-11-08 Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

Board Meeting called to order at 8:30 P.M. by President Julius Feingold.

Harry Grossman moved to have by-laws revised. A Special Committee to revise the by-laws was appointed temporarily as follows: Harry Grossman, Chairman Esther Grossman, and Harry Wolfe.

Loretta Zatinsky asked for more members on the Board. Discussion follow and it was tabled for further action.

A round table discussion followed on progress of the temple, its financial standing, and on how the interest in Friday night services could be stimulated and kept.

A special meeting with the Rabbi on Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at the home of Esther Grossman to discuss above business is planned.

Respectfully submitted Secretary William Rosenberg.

## **1948-11-15 Minutes**

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Special Board Meeting called to order by President Julius Feingold at 9:00 P.M.

Trustees present: Tarshish, Loretta and Carl Zatinsky, Sam Selk, Harry Grossman, Essie Grossman, Marilyn Estrin and William Rosenberg.

Essie Grossman moved that Joe Frankel be custodian of Insurance policies. Harry Wolfe seconded and carried.

Harry Grossman moved that present building funds be transferred to Ontario bank and kept in a separate account, and that only the President and Treasurer be allowed to sign the checks. Carl Zatinsky seconded the motion, and it carried.

Harry Grossman reported that we owe \$1,000 plus \$344 interest by December 24, 1948 on the mortgage.

\$900 for chairs,

\$75 to Carl Zatinsky,

\$650 for the Rabbi's salary for December

We have a balance on hand to date of \$1,200 in the Building Fund account.

William Rosenberg moved that Sam Selk appoint a committee to help him collect outstanding dues. Harry Wolfe seconded and motion carried.

A discussion then followed on ways and means of raising funds for the Temple. No concrete plan was formulated.

Loretta Zatinsky moved that a committee inform Rabbi Dolgin that we no longer can afford a Rabbi at the present time and ask him to release us from our contract. Harry Grossman seconded the motion and motion carried. A committee of Harry Grossman, Julius Feingold and Loretta Zatinsky was appointed.

Respectfully submitted Secretary William Rosenberg.

## **1948-12-12 Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

Meeting started at 9 P.M. (President Julius Feingold). Minutes of the previous meeting approved as read.

All board members present except Marilyn Estrin and Harry Grossman.

Joe Frankel was invited to the meeting to give a report on insurance policies we now hold \$20,000 fire insurance which expires now and liability for \$10,000 & \$20,000 which expires in a few months. Brother Frankel suggested that the value of the building being \$30,000, that we increase our policy to that amount. The rate being \$20.08 per thousand on a five year plan. Brother Tarshish moved for same, Loretta Zatinsky seconded and motion passed.

Julius Feingold mentioned that we are having trouble with the heating system and the drain board in the kitchen. Brother Jack Greenberg said he would contact the contractor and have above repaired.

The Sigmund Livingston Club contacted Brother Feingold for permission to use the Hall on Saturday night. It was decided they could use the Hall provided that they leave it in the same condition found.

Loretta Zatinsky suggested that the bulletin be turned out by the Congregation. The Board thought this a good idea and appointed Loretta Zatinsky and Bert Title as editors.

Sister Essie Grossman read the revisions of the by-laws of the By-Law Revision Committee which were made so far.

President Feingold reappointed Jack Greenberg to the Building Committee.

President Feingold presented bills from Raymond's Paint Store - \$17. \$72.49 for books- bill belongs to the Sisterhood. Loretta Zatinsky took the bill to present to the Sisterhood. \$75 for Carl Zatinsky. The bill given to Jack Greenberg for payment (Building Committee). \$1,000 mortgage and \$344 interest to be paid. A bill for \$900 for the chairs- no action. Approximately \$400 for insurance.

The Rabbi then came in and a discussion again started on how we could raise enough money to pay the Rabbi's salary. It was suggested that we table the matter until the Congregational meeting.

Sam Selk moved that a letter be sent to every member of the congregation letting them know that the Temple is now financially embarrassed and for them to attend the Congregational meeting and decide whether we can possibly keep a Rabbi.

William Rosenberg moved that if refreshments were served after Friday night services attendance would be much greater. Sam Selk seconded and motion passed. Loretta Zatinsky will ask the Sisterhood if they would cooperate.

Meeting adjourned 11:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted William Rosenberg.

### **1948-12-21 Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

Meeting called to order by President Julius Feingold at 9:30 P.M., as we didn't want to open the meeting until all members were present.

Jack Greenberg gave a financial report on the building fund, the results being we are \$23.21 in debt after the mortgage was taken care of.

Sam Selk gave a financial report in which he let us know there is still \$900 outstanding in dues. We now have on hand \$200 as of January 1, 1949, after the bill for chairs and Rabbi's

salary was paid. The only bill not turned in and not paid is \$200 for screens. Sam made a plea to have everyone pay up their dues so we may pay the remainder of our bills.

The President called for unfinished business and there was none. We now continued with new business.

President Feingold called on Rabbi Dolgin to speak. The Rabbi gave a very interesting speech in which he thanked everyone for the interest they showed in coming. He also stated that we are now bound by contract and that the question is: How do we meet our obligations, and not “whether or not we can afford a Rabbi.” He also gave a few suggestions such as a “Theatre Party’ and a “Mortgage Redemption Festival.” After his speech the Rabbi asked to be excused and left.

The President explained that he had asked the Rabbi to leave so that we could have an open discussion on the above matter.

Discussion then followed by: Isabelle Weiss, Harry Wolfe, Jack Greenberg, Fay Wolfe, Stella Kelber, Brother Golden, Dr. Weiss, Loretta Zatinsky, Esther Weinstock, Mr. Molk, Carl Zatinsky, Maury Lasky, Nate Selk, Sam Selk, Joe Kelber and Mr. Kellerman.

The President informed the congregation that a matter of this great importance as to whether the Rabbi will remain or not – should be left up to the congregation, rather than the Board.

Sam Keller said the issue is, “Do we need a Rabbi or just a Temple?” At which time Stella Kelber moved that a standing vote to see how much financial support we can get from the congregation be taken. Maury Lasky wanted to amend the motion that we negotiate with the Rabbi as to his leaving due to our financial embarrassment. After much discussion Stella Kelber rescinded her motion in favor of a motion by Jack Greenberg, which reads: That we dispense with services of our Rabbi and that the Board negotiate action of congregation due to insufficient funds. The vote was 34 to dispense with the Rabbi’s services. 16 to retain his services.

With this instruction to the Board the meeting closed at 11:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted William Rosenberg, Secretary.

### **1948-12-27 Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

The Board meeting was called to order at 8:30 P.M. by the President at Loretta Zatinsky’s home.

Harry Grossman was informed of past events as he was out of town for some time.

The question was discussed as to whether or not the Rabbi should be invited to the meeting or if a committee should be appointed to approach the Rabbi. It was decided that the committee approach the Rabbi. It was decided we should meet with the Rabbi immediately, and the following were appointed as a committee: Harry Wolfe, Harry Grossman and Julius Feingold.

The Board decided that we offer the Rabbi \$500 if he would sign a release by January 1, 1949. Motion made by Sam Selk and Esther Grossman seconded. The vote was 5 to 1 motion carried. The committee then went to the Rabbi’s home and brought back a report that the Rabbi was not interested in a settlement, and that if we do not fulfill our contract he would take other means.

Harry Grossman then moved that we consider the Rabbi’s services to end as of December 31, 1948, and that he is not to render any further services at the Temple or otherwise after that date. Loretta Zatinsky seconded. Carried unanimously.

Loretta then brought to our attention that she knew of a man who would keep the Temple clean, and also work on the grounds, for \$50 per month. No action taken.

The meet adjourned at 11 P.M.  
Sincerely submitted, William Rosenberg (Secretary)

### **1949-01-05 Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

Meeting called to order at 9:10 P.M. by President Julius Feingold at the home of Loretta Zatinsky.

Mr. Meyers, Mr. Gordon and Mr. Easton of the United Synagogues were present. All Board Members were present except Mr. Tarshish and Mr. Grossman.

Mr. Gordon asked the Board members for other reasons, beside financial reasons, for dispensing with the Rabbi's services. At which time Dr. Weiss pointed out reasons in which he felt the Rabbi had broken his contract as follows:

1. No services on Friday nights month of August.
2. Short or no Hebrew classes for children.
3. Sunday school not supervised by Rabbi.
4. Because he wasn't picked up at bus station and driven to Swerdloff's home, he returned to Pomona without giving lessons. This, without notifying pupils of no lessons.
5. Two months vacation instead of one month.

Loretta Zatinsky pointed out that we could no longer afford to support a Rabbi at the time the committee first met with him, and at which time he told the committee that he appreciated the gentlemanly way in which they came to him, and that he would make every effort to find another pulpit and release us from our contract without causing us any trouble.

Mr. Gordon at this time told us that he knows of many communities that have been in the same situation as we, and that it is too bad that when a Rabbi does come into a community and finds that he is not suited for the congregation, he does not try to make other arrangements without upsetting the whole congregation.

Mr. Meyers told us that he knows that Rabbi Dolgin had applied for a number of jobs while on his two month vacation.

Note: Mr. Gordon recommended that at all times we give our leader a program of what we expect of him (in black and white). The Religious committee to work out Friday and Holiday services. These programs should be embodied in the minutes of the congregation.

All during this discussion Mr. Easton, who is vice-president of the United Synagogue, as well as a practicing attorney, read over the Rabbi's contract, and explained to us that the Rabbi, if he had known his job, would have demanded that a ritual committee work with him at all times, planning services and ways and means of raising funds. Also under any condition he would have given the children their Hebrew lessons, as that is one of the most important reasons for a community to have a Rabbi.

Mr. Meyers then read the registered letter that was mailed to the Rabbi on December 28, 1948, informing him that as of January 1, 1949 his services would no longer be needed. Legally the Rabbi is no longer in our employment, and that we do not have to continue to pay him a salary.

Mr. Gordon then asked us if we could invite the Rabbi to join us at this time so that he could speak to him and hear both sides. This was done and a joint discussion followed.

The Rabbi said a registered letter meant nothing to him, and as long as he had a contract he had nothing more to say.

After a long and unsatisfactory “hashing” of the problem in which Mr. Gordon told the Rabbi we would not have made any settlement had it not been his suggestion to offer him \$350 to release us. Mr. Easton then spoke saying that unless a Rabbi could bind a community and raise money for the congregation it was pointless for him to stay, as he could probably find a pulpit where he would be more suited, thus giving himself more advantage.

At this point the Rabbi told the visitors that he had received no cooperation from the President, the Board, or the congregation, and that his friend, Mr. Kaufman, had advised him not to take any less than eight months salary as a settlement.

During the meeting the Zionists called and asked if it would be all right for them to use the Center on January 30, 1949 at the regular fee of \$10. Permission granted.

Being able to come to no settlement it was suggested by Mr. Gordon that we leave the matter to sue us, they would give us all of the support they could.

The meeting adjourned as there was no further business.

Respectively submitted, William Rosenberg (Secretary)

### **1949-01-18 Congregational Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

Congregational Meeting – January 18, 1949 - meeting opened at 9:00 P.M. by President Feingold.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The President greeted members and welcomed the visitors and said that in as much as there are many visitors present only members would be allowed to speak on the business of the meeting. \

Sam Selk gave a report that there is \$291 on hand and a bill for insurance of \$35

Correspondence was read. Mr. Tarshish resigned from the Board. The registered letter that was sent to the rabbi was read. “The Board as a whole wishes to resign.”

Dr. Lansgner asked for a vote of confidence from the Congregation in behalf of the present Board. Stan Lowy seconded. The Board was given a vote of confidence.

Rabbi Dolgin as a settlement 8 months’ salary.

Lillian Feingold moved that the Congregation settle the matter of coming to a decision with the Rabbi this evening. Motion seconded.

Money was collected but the Rabbi wishes to wait until Friday noon to think matters over.

Jack Krawll gave an announcement of the Zionist dinner January 30, 1949 and about the drive for food for Israel.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 A.M. E. Grossman acting secretary.

### **1949-01-24 Special Meeting Minutes**

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Special Board meeting called to order at 9:00 P.M. by the President to settle final matters with the Rabbi, who at this meeting informed us he would end his contract with \$1,000 settlement.

Mark Schwartz moved to accept the Rabbi’s resignation and that necessary papers be drawn up to end the contract so as to make it acceptable on both sides. Harry Grossman seconded. Motion accepted unanimously.

Meeting adjourned- William Rosenberg, Secretary.

### **1949-02-14 Meeting Minutes**

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Board Meeting called to order by President Julius Feingold. The President ordered that the keys be distributed and a list made to whom they were given.

Rates for renting the hall were set as follows: \$10 minimum charge; \$12 for hall and dishes but no linens at any time.

The President said he will try to get muslin for table clothes donated.

Stella Kelber moved that we hire John [last name unavailable] starting March 1<sup>st</sup> at \$40 a month to care for the Temple. Harry Grossman seconded and the motion carried.

A telephone coin box will be placed next to the telephone for those who use the phone to help defray costs of telephone bills.

A new secretary is needed to replace William Rosenberg due to a change in his working hours. Matter tabled for next meeting.

Harry Grossman suggested that a notice be sent to all members asking them to pay up their dues. Even without the Rabbi we have obligations to meet.

Friday night services was discussed and it was decided that a man would be hired once or twice a month and that the weeks when no one was hired we would put on our own services.

Increasing our congregation was discussed. It was decided that we have a dance and that all members of the Board act as a dance committee.

Stella Kelber informed us that by the middle of April the Kelber family was donating a plaque.

After a discussion it was decided that the dishes recently bought would be kept Kosher and that we purchase a glass set- service for 100 to be used for other occasions.

The meeting adjourned, William Rosenberg Secretary.

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### **1949-02-15 Congregational Meeting Minutes**

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Congregational meeting started at 9:20 P.M. by President Feingold.

The meeting was delayed due to small attendance and hoping for more people attending.

Sam Selk reported a balance of \$109.30. Insurance bill of \$344.10 will be due soon and the usual expenses are coming due for running the building.

The resignation of Dr. M. Weiss was read.

Mrs. Esther Weinstock spoke on the program that the confirmation class is going to put on for Jewish Arbor Day.

Mrs. Faye Wolfe moved that the children plant 2 fir trees at the entrance to the building. Motion seconded and carried. Mrs. Wolfe and Mrs. Gole will donate the trees.

President Feingold reported that the dealings with the Rabbi are closed.

A dance in the near future will be held.

Dr. Weiss' resignation was accepted with regret.

The confirmation class will put on a Friday evening service April 1. Refreshments will be served. A good audience would prove a reward and an incentive for the children to do things in the future.

Mrs. Esther Grossman moved that 2 lockers be built for Sunday school supplies. Mrs. Weinstock seconded. Motion passed.

Dave Kantor wants to know what the plans are for the future.  
An interfaith program will be held at the Chino High School at 7:30 P.M. on February 22, 1949.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted Mrs. Ester Grossman, acting secretary.

#### **1949-03-15 Meeting Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

The Congregational meeting of the Beth Israel Center was called to order by Vice President Harry Wolfe at 9:30 P.M.

Harry Wolfe remarked that our needing unity and solidarity in the organization, and taking care of our own community needs, come first.

Letter of resignation from Loretta Zatinsky. A motion was made and seconded that we accept Loretta Zatinsky's resignation.

Correspondence read and taken care of.

No unfinished business and no new business.

Discussion held to have a campaign in the community and take a poll. Board to line up this campaign. [no specific given].

Refreshments donated by women in the Congregation.

#### **1949-05-02 Meeting Minutes**

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President Feingold informed the Board of Trustees that 2 families from overseas will be sent to our community in the near future. One family in a man and wife- 29 years and a 7 month old child. the other family is a man and wife 26 and 24 years old and a 9 month old child.

Mark Schwartz spoke on the fact that this is a community project in which the Center should take the lead. There will be a Board meeting of the B'nai Brith tomorrow night at which time this matter will be taken up with the committee from the Center on this matter; Mark Schwartz, Chairman, Sam Selk and Essie Grossman.

Harry Grossman moved that we give the old folding chairs to a Mexican church that is being built. Sam Selk Seconded. Motion carried.

Maurice Lasky spoke on the fact that Rabbi Hahn of L.A. is available for a position. Rabbi Hahn is an orthodox rabbi.

Harry Grossman spoke at some length – pointing out the advantages that would be ours if we stay with the United Synagogues organization. The conclusion was reached that we are affiliated with the United Synagogue and that we stay with them and do not depart from this. We do not have any strong leaders to guide us in this Community, as was evidenced to us in our recent dealing with a rabbi. Therefore our only salvation is to retain our membership the United Synagogue.

Respectfully submitted Esther Grossman, acting Secretary.

#### **1949-05-16 Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

Board Meeting – President Feingold called the meeting to order. There was very small attendance.

President Feinberg read a letter from Rabbi Baruch Freiger including an autobiography of his accomplishments and his ability to carry on the work of a congregation. He will come to Pomona this coming Friday evening and conduct the evening service. Rabbi Freiger is a candidate for the pulpit of this congregation.

Harry Grossman moved that we employ Stan Weiss as caretaker of the Temple and premises. Salary \$100 a month. Seconded by Mrs. Feingold. Motion passed.

Sam Selk spoke on a needy family that is need of immediate help. Harry Grossman volunteered to meet them to work out something for them.

Meeting adjourned. Respectively submitted Essie Grossman, acting Secretary.

### **1949-06-06 Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

Board Meeting – President Feingold called the meeting to order.

New members appointed to the Board are Harold Savage and Hy Ratner.

Rabbi Alfred Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Beckman of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations were visitors at this meeting. They had been invited by several members of the Board.

Rabbi Wolfe gave an informal discussion on the reform movement. He explained some phases, why yarmulkes are not necessary, the late Friday evening service, taking the Torah out on Friday evening, confirmation, and many other details.

Discussing the problems of the Community of Pomona and Ontario, Rabbi Wolfe said, “That he could not consider sending us a man to fill our pulpit until such time that we disaffiliate ourselves completely from the United Synagogue.

Also a group of members would have to guarantee the salary of a rabbi as our present treasury is in a state of collapse.

After the Rabbi and visitors left we proceeded with business.

Harry Grossman moved, “In case of necessity the treasurer may borrow whatever funds necessary from the Building Fund to maintain the building. Money to be put back was soon as possible.” Essie Grossman seconded and motion passed.

Light, gas, water bills are due and no money is in the treasury.

We talked of a summer dance July 16. President Feingold will appoint a Chairman.

Meeting adjourned 11:40 P.M.

Respectively submitted Essie Grossman, acting Secretary.

### **1949-06-21 Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

The meeting was called to order by our President Julius Feingold.

There were between 35 and 40 people present to attend the scheduled discussion by representatives of the Reform and Conservative movements of Judaism. The limited United Synagogue of America of the Conservative group did not send a representative.

Guests were Mr. Beckman, President of the Men’s Club of Wilshire Temple of L.A. and his wife. Also Rabbi Alfred Wolfe, the speaker of the evening and Mrs. Wolfe.



Under old business, Jack Greenberg questioned the new policy of permitting the treasurer to borrow funds from the Building Fund. Sam Selk refused to enlarge on this question on the grounds that it was out of order. The question was not pursued.

There was no correspondence.

New Business: Lillian Feingold questioned if the old chairs in the Temple could be sold to another church at a very reasonable figure as they too unfortunately were of low funds. Dr. Mark Weiss moved to donate the chairs to this Church, gratis. This motion failed because for a lack of a second. Jack Greenberg then moved to loan this church the chairs, gratis. Seconded and passed. The name of the church was never mentioned.

Regards the contemplated dance, it is postponed because of a lack of a chairman. However, per our President, this dance will be held.

There was considerable open discussion in regard to our affiliation with the United Synagogues of America. Jack Greenberg moved that we sever all connection with the above mentioned organization, seconded by Doc Weiss. The motion was withdrawn by the maker.

The arguments that forced this withdrawal were

- 1) that we are morally if not financially members of the United Group,
- 2) the Sisterhood is definably a member of the organization, and
- 3) lastly, that the idea of the motion was somewhat premature until the Reform phase had been presented and the will of the Congregation evaluated.

Treasurer's report: there is a balance of \$29. The Insurance premium has not been paid; and only by the virtue of an \$88 check from the J. A. for the year 1948, and the contribution from the Sisterhood, could our maintenance man be paid for the last month.

Two guests were introduced by President Feingold- Mr. Dubrowsky from Sioux City, and Mr. Antell from New York.

Preliminary to the introduction of the speaker of the evening, Julius Feingold gave a short and impassioned speech to the members of the Community in regard to their moral and fiscal responsibility to the Center.

Rabbi Alfred Wolfe, the principal speaker and the representative of the Reform Movement of Judaism, gave a clear and lucid account of their purpose and their work. Firstly, however, he clarified their desire not to compete with any other organization. He spoke for some 35 minutes and then answered a number of questions from the floor. In closing he expressed their desire to help us formulate our plans for money raising and so forth, should we decide to become a member of the Reform Group.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00.

Respectfully Submitted, H.W. Savage

### **1949-07-13 Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

Board meeting: The principle purpose of this meeting was to formulate plans for the High Holy Days. It was to secure a leader for the High Holy Days from the United Synagogues of America. Their questionnaire regarding this was filled out and mailed on July 14<sup>th</sup>.

Under discussion also was the membership drive for the new fiscal year which began July 1, 1949. Plans were tentatively formulated whereby an aggressive campaign would be instituted to secure new members and retain all the old ones. The majority of people will be visited by a membership committee with a pledge card. The minimum fee will be \$36. There will be dispensation made in the cases of G. I. veterans whenever necessary.

Plans were also discussed of the dance to be held in the near future in joint auspices with Jewish Refugee Committee headed by Mark Schwartz.

A letter and check for \$25 was sent to Rabbi Trugir of Reno, Nevada, for payment for Friday Night Services that were held here some time ago.

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday evening, July 18<sup>th</sup> at the home of Mr. Selk in Ontario

Respectively submitted, Harold W. Savage.

#### **1949-07-18 Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

This Board Meeting was held to further expand upon the plans that were formulated at the two previous Board meetings.

The names of all members were divided into two areas- namely, Ontario and Pomona. The majority of these will be visited by a Membership committee with pledge card for the New Year. It was suggested that these pledge cards a space so that a member can cast his vote as to the type of spiritual leader he would prefer- Conservative or Reform.

The President will assign members of the Membership committee names that they are to call. Actual work will begin on this very shortly.

There was no other business and the meeting adjourned at 12:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Harold W. Savage.

#### **1949-07-19 Congregational Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

The meeting was called to order by President Feingold. There were only 17 members present.

Mark Weiss moved to raise the minimum yearly membership fee to \$50. This was passed.

J. Feingold promised to follow through and see that the lawn would be redone.

Motion to place a Pushke (Tzedakah box) in a temple room. A. Zatinsky offered to donate the Pushke and J. Feingold offered to put up the same.

Treasurer Report: A balance of \$111.59 at this time.

The President thanked the Men's Club for the donation of \$175.

Tickets for the High Holidays to be sold to non-members for \$7.50.

Respectfully submitted by Harold W. Savage.

#### **1949-08-03 Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

Board meeting.

The meeting was called to order by President Feingold at 8:45 P.M.

The following reports were made: S. Weiss, our maintenance man, offered to reduce his salary to \$60 for the past month inasmuch as there was less work than customary. H. Grossman reported that he had spoken with the man who had put the lawn in. He claims that the lawn lacked proper care. However, he assured Mr. Grossman that he would work the lawn over with a power motor; then for us to care for the lawn under specific instructions that he provided. H. Grossman donated a lawn mower for the Temple to use.

J. Feingold spoke to the W.S.A., and they said they would have a leader for us for the High Holy Days. Probable cost, \$500.

Hy Ratner offered to get information covering a student or graduate student Rabbi.

J. Feingold promised to put up the Contribution Box, which was donated on July 19<sup>th</sup> by S. Zatinsky.

A motion was made and passed that no tickets will be sold for the High Holy Days services.

H. Grossman and M. Weiss are in charge of admissions and seating.

A Religious committee consisting of J. Feingold, S. Selk and H. Ratner was appointed.

S. Selk could not take care of the membership drive in Ontario. H. Grossman will take over these duties.

It was also agreed that the Displaced Families are to be given free membership in the Temple for one year.

J. Feingold will get in touch with the local ministerial association to secure a list of the Jewish families in Pomona.

There was a short discussion regarding the Dance which is to take place on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted by Harold W. Savage.

#### **1949-09-04 Minutes\***

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

The meeting was called to order by President Feingold.

The Religious committee decided to hire Rabbi David Brown to conduct the High Holy Days Services for a fee of \$400. A letter was sent to him to confirm this.

The sum of \$35 was given to the Temple by the Sigmund Livingstone Club - the proceeds of their movie that was held at the Temple.

Further consideration of the application of Rabbi Halevy was withheld until the next Congregation Meeting at which time it would be decided whether or not the Temple would seek the Reform Movement.

It was decided that there would be no appeal for funds made on the High Holy days.

The date of the next Congregational meeting would be announced on Yom Kippur. This date is Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.

S. Selk volunteered to telephone Leo Lichtman and inform him that the fee the use of the Temple for his wedding is \$25.

Respectfully submitted by Harold W. Savage.

\*Date of Meeting arbitrarily selected

#### **Data is accurate 1949-10-07 Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

Board meeting – called to order by President Feingold at the home of Dr. Weiss.

The Palestinian Group that meets at the Temple is made up of mostly people who are not members of the Temple. The topic was tabled until President Feingold could speak with this group and invite them to join the Temple.

Requests by the Zionists and the Sisterhood Groups to borrow a table from the Center were granted.

The Sisterhood President informed the Board that the \$50 monthly contribution toward maintenance service would be discontinued.

Approval was granted to pay Mr. Orloff for cleaning the Temple the day after Rosh Hashanah. President Feingold will handle this.

A question that came up concerned whether Mr. Orloff should be paid for evening (type of service not readable) services. President Feingold to handle this inasmuch as he had already submitted himself to pay Mr. Orloff.

A Nominating committee was appointed consisting of Harold Savage, Harry Grossman and Carl Zatinsky. The three outgoing Board members are Ester Grossman, S. Zatinsky and Julius Feingold.

A motion to change the by-laws to increase the Board members from 9 to 15 was passed unanimously.

The Secretary volunteered to call R. Richtman of Ontario for payment for the use of the Temple for his wedding for \$12.50.

Harry Wolfe was delegated to see Will Rosenberg regards arrangements for the Simchah Torah Dance to be held October 16<sup>th</sup>.

Considerable discussion followed the question of how many votes accrue to each membership. It was moved and passed that one vote goes with a membership.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wolfe were to see the Solewitz's at the Paradise to cater for our forthcoming banquet to be held at the Center and using our facilities. The date set was Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>.

Treasurer Selk reported that there was \$1,375.96 in the treasury.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by Harold W. Savage.

### **1949-10-19 Congregational Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

#### Congregational meeting

The meeting was called to order by President J. Feingold. There were about 75 people present.

M. Schwartz presented his report on the dance total income to date of \$828, expenses \$529.69, leaving a balance of \$298.31. However, there are still \$200 in ads placed in the journal still uncollected. A complete and final report to be made when the receipts are in.

Mr. Wolfe reported on the scheduled banquet for November 6<sup>th</sup>. The Solewitz's will cater the dinner at the Temple for \$2.00 a plate.

The men's club was thanked for their contribution of \$250 to the Temple.

W. Rosenberg and B. Swerdloff reported on the Simchah Torah Dance. It netted \$91 dollars.

J. Greenberg reported on the Building Fund and it has a balance of \$33.17. On December 24<sup>th</sup> the annual installment of \$1,000 plus interest of \$143.75 is due. A total of \$1,143.75.

An appreciation letter with a contribution of \$10 was received from Marian Garfinkel, a student of Pomona College, who was invited to attend the past High Holy Days services.

The terms of the present Board of Trustees were straightened out and reads as follows:

M. Schwartz 1948-51	W. Rosenberg 1948 – 51
H. Wolfe 1948 – 51	H. Savage 1948 – 51
S. Selk 1948 – 49	H. Ratner 1948 – 50
J. Feingold 1948 – 49	C. Zatinsky 1948 – 49

E. Grossman 1946 - 49

A motion was passed to increase the number of Directors from 9 to 15.

The Nominating committee presented 12 names from which 9 were to be selected by votes to be new Board members. Of the 9, three were to replace outgoing members.

A motion was made and passed that a candidate for office need not be present at the meeting for his name to be voted upon.

There were three additional write-in nominations from the floor- M Orloff, M. Lasky and M. Apel.

Election results are as follows

For 3 year terms:	R. Schulman	38 votes
	B. Swerdloff	38 votes
	J. Greenberg	38 votes
	J. Feinberg	33 votes
	I. Goldman	32 votes
For 2 year terms	N. Estrin	32 votes
	Mrs. I. Weiss	31 votes
For 1 year term:	S. Guberman	29 votes
	Mrs. R. Grossman	27 votes

Considerable discussion and motions were considered on the future course and policy of the temple.

A motion for the Congregation to vote for their preference of either being Orthodox, Conservative, or Reform. Was moved and passed.

Reform 32,

Conservative 15 and

Orthodox 0. There was one abstention vote.

Therefore by the will of two thirds majority of the congregation the policy of the Temple will be Reform.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Harold W. Savage.

**1949-10-31 Minutes**

(Data is accurate but presented in a summary style)

Board meeting: Called to order at 9:05 P.M. There were 14 Board members present and the only absentee member was Ben Swerdloff. There were several visitors who were all members of the congregation.

A letter was read from the North Hollywood Temple inviting our president or a delegate to attend their dedication services on November 6<sup>th</sup>. S. Selk accepted and will be our representative.

Another letter was read regarding a joint mass meeting with the Zionists. It was resolved to hold this mass meeting on Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Orloff was paid \$30 for cleaning the temple and reading some of the Rosh Hashanah services, per Julius Feingold.

A motion was made and passed to dispense with the services of our maintenance man up to and including November 3, 1949.

A motion was made to hire Mr. Orloff for overall janitorial services for \$75 a month on a 60 day trial. Mr. Orloff refused.

It was also decided to rescind a previous motion to install a contribution box in the lobby. Also, it seems that the Palestinian group who were discussed at the previous meetings no longer meets at the Temple.

The oversight that Sam Selk's term on the Board had expired, was rectified by the appointment of Mrs. Loretta Zatinsky for the period of one year. S. Selk refused further to be a Board member, and thus L. Zatinsky was appointed because her total of votes at the congregational meeting was the next highest in line.

Nomination and election of officers was the next business on hand. It was moved and passed that the office of a 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President be created.

Election results:

President	Jack Greenberg,
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Harold Savage,-
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	William Rosenberg,
Treasurer	Isabel Weiss –
Financial Secretary	Loretta Zatinsky,
Secretary –	Reta Grossman
Sam Guberman was appointed as Warden	

Reta Grossman brought up the faults and imperfections of the building.

Lillian Feingold requested what would be satisfactory to the Board in the line of equipment to be installed in the Temple by 2 Memorial Friends. Harry Grossman offered to design Ray Schulman will take charge of the Installation Banquet – the rate of \$1.75 was the charge per plate finally decided upon. H. Ratner will be in charge of ticket sales in Pomona and B. Goldman in Ontario. M. Schwartz and S. Guberman to have tickets printed.

The Secretary was instructed to write a letter to the United Synagogues of America stating our formal resignation from their organization.

H. Grossman is to call the offices of the Liberal Organization to arrange for a speaker for the Installation Banquet.

S. Selk will meet with the Treasurer and Financial Secretary regards the elimination from our records of old and uncollectible accounts.

Respectfully submitted by Harold W. Savage.

Community as far as their beliefs are concerned. And that he has in no way attempted to stop the project in any way. He favors giving credit to those who want to honor Mother Kelman by buying a house next to the Temple and dedicating it to her.

Isabelle Weiss explained the original idea as being absolutely private with no subscription to be asked. It was to have been just the same as any private donation to the Temple.

Esther Weinstock moved that we have a pot luck supper and program at our next Congregational meeting, Broida seconded it. Meeting to be February 14<sup>th</sup>. An amendment to the motion by Ray Schulman to change the meeting to a social with a light supper and coffee at the middle of the meeting. Paul Berke seconded. Carried.

Isabelle Weiss moved we grant the B'nai B'rith Chapter the use of the Temple March 10<sup>th</sup> for a card party without charge. Carried.

Sam Kelber moved and Mark Schwartz seconded that Rabbi Levey's salary be raised to \$350 per month effective February 1<sup>st</sup>. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11 P.M.

Respectfully submitted I. Goldman Secretary.