

**Memphis Jewish Federation Board of Directors Emergency Meeting**

**March 3, 2022 5:30 pm  
MINUTES**

On March 3, 2022, Memphis Jewish Federation, held an emergency Board Meeting to conduct its business via Zoom.us.

At 5:30 pm, Mrs. Cindy Finestone, chair of the Memphis Jewish Federation of Directors, called the meeting to order.

**Memphis Jewish Federation Board of Trustees in attendance**

Cindy Finestone, Hal Fogelman, Jonathan Frisch, Michael Greenberg, Jan Groveman, Michelle Katz, Susanne Landau, Debbie H. Lazarov, Emily Lennon, Sarah Lewis, Steve Libby, Alla Lubin, Jaclyn Marshall, Scott Notowich, Eileen Posner, Shelley Robbins, Jason Salomon, Jill Shanker, Elissa Taub, Andie Uiberall, Keri Unowsky, Scott Vogel and Craig Weiss.

**Jewish Community Partners Staff in Attendance**

Michael Barnett, Sheri Gadberry, Laura Linder, Tim Wheat and Bluma Zuckerbrot-Finkelstein.

**Guests**

Jack Belz, Andy Groveman and Michael Levinson

Speakers

Mr. Andy Groveman, JAFI Board of Governors member, Immediate Past Chair of United Israel Appeal, and past MJF President, described the critical work the Jewish Agency is doing on the ground, such as helping Jews flee the country, facilitating Aliyah for those who wish to move to Israel, and investing in community security to make sure those staying in Ukraine are safe.

Dr. Michael Levinson, a 30-year Board Member of the JDC followed with explaining how the JDC works to assist Jews in need. Dr. Levinson noted that the organization has been in Ukraine for over two decades now, providing aid and care to over 200,000 Ukrainian Jews. Dr. Levinson also emphasized that the JDC has mobilized the infrastructure already in place to provide basic needs like food, water, and medicine to those Jews trapped in conflict zones or unable to evacuate.

Emergency Grant Requests

Scott Notowich, VC of Israel/ Overseas reviewed 2 grants for the board's approval:

**Lemsky Endowment Fund Emergency Grant**

To grant \$50,000 from Memphis Jewish Federation's Lemsky Endowment Fund FY 21-22 surplus to Jewish Federations of North America's emergency campaign for Ukraine designated for programs and services supporting Aliyah to Israel. - Approved, Lemsky Endowment Fund Committee, 3/1/22

**Campaign Emergency Grant**

To grant \$20,000 from Memphis Jewish Federation's FY21-22 unallocated local allocable dollars to Jewish Federations of North America's emergency campaign for Ukraine. - Approved, Community Grants Committee, 3/2/22

Cindy Finestone called for a motion to approve. Jason Salomon moved the Lemsky Endowment Fund Emergency Grant and Campaign Emergency Grant be approved and Shelley Robbins seconded the motion. The Lemsky Endowment Fund Emergency Grant and Campaign Emergency Grant were approved.

Scott Vogel, JCP chair, called for a motion to go forward and approve ATA to perform a financial review of all JCP processes and policies. Michael Greenberg moved ATA will perform a financial review of JCP and Jonathan Frisch seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.