

MITZPE RAMOT

Minutes of Vaad Meeting

פרוטוקול ישיבת ועד

Amutah no. 580040012

Date: 13 October 2026

Meeting: Regular meeting of the Vaad, following the Chagim

Present: Ronnie Joss (Chairperson), Jonathan Hoffman, Dani Abell, Matt Brenner (Treasurer), Daniel Alweis

Quorum: 5 of 5 members present; quorum (3) satisfied

With the Chagim behind it, the Vaad turned its attention to putting the shul's financial and administrative foundations on a settled footing, so that the year ahead can be given to building the life of the kehilla. Its discussion centred on the shul's banking, the preparation of the accounts needed for the Annual General Meeting, the administration of the office, and how the Vaad will hear from members across the kehilla. The decisions formally adopted are recorded first, followed by a summary of the matters the Vaad reviewed and the work now underway.

Decisions adopted

1. **Bank signatories.** Further to its earlier resolutions, the Vaad resolved to complete the appointment of its signatories at Bank Leumi in person at the earliest available date, once the remaining documentation is in hand (estimate around one week).
2. **Financial statements for 2025 and the Annual General Meeting.** The Vaad resolved that the preparation of the shul's financial statements for 2025 be given priority, so that the Annual General Meeting can be convened and the budget for the coming year presented to the membership.
3. **Bookkeeping and administration.** The Vaad resolved to seek the guidance of the shul's accountant on professional bookkeeping arrangements, and to review the shul's regular monthly commitments, before reaching decisions on the administration of the office.
4. **Vaadat Bikoret.** The Vaad resolved to meet with the Vaadat Bikoret on its members' return, and has invited the committee to indicate in advance the matters it wishes to review, so that the Vaad can prepare fully and provide what the committee requires.

Matters reviewed and work now underway

Donation receipts and payments

The Vaad is aware that a number of members are awaiting receipts for membership payments and donations made this season, and is working to clear these. Cheques received are being deposited. The Vaad thanks members for their patience. Any member with a question about a payment is asked to be in touch with the Treasurer or any member of the Vaad.

Administration of the office

The Vaad reviewed a full description of the functions involved in running the shul's office, distinguishing bookkeeping, general administration, and work that is best carried by committees of members. It will consider the matter further once the advice and figures it has requested are in hand.

Kiddushim

So that members who wish to sponsor a kiddush can be properly supported, the Vaad will shortly invite members to join a kiddush committee drawn from across the kehilla, and would particularly welcome those who daven in the main minyan. In the meantime, members wishing to sponsor a kiddush are asked to be in touch as early as possible.

Membership

The Vaad reviewed the households who were members last year and have not yet renewed, and members of the Vaad will be in touch with them. Any member who is unsure whether their membership for this year has been recorded is warmly invited to ask.

Hearing from the kehilla

In the coming weeks, members of the Vaad will be seeking conversations with members and regular daveners of the main minyan, to hear what they value in Mitzpe Ramot and what they would like to see. The Vaad's aim is to listen before it plans. Anyone who would welcome such a conversation is invited to approach any member of the Vaad.

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