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העצרת העולמית השניה למנהיגות יהודית צעירה THIRD INTERNATIONAL YOUNG LEADERSHIP ASSEMBLY ISRAEL, SEPTEMBER 20-23, 1986, ישראל martil.

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AMERICAN FORUM STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 1987

Attendees:

Peter Alter
David Arnow
Evan Bayer
Howard Charish
Amy Dean
Amy Goldberg
Suzanne Goldstein
Anita Gray
Steven Greenberg
Marvin Kamras
Bob Klutznik
Joel Leibowitz
Anne-Louise Levine
Deborah Lipstadt

Brian Lurie
Sandi Neuman
Danny Rubin
Larry Rubinstein
Bob Wortheimer
Ted Young
Eric Zahler
David Saperstein
Nan Greenblatt

Staff:

Rabbi Daniel Allen

The meeting began with the formal constitution of the Steering Committee of those assembled plus the following, who were not present: Betty Chrustowski, Lynne Schneider, Michael Adler, Dr. Uri Herscher, Ed Robin, Betsy Gordon, Ira Silverman and Alan Brown.

Nan Greenblatt brought greetings on behalf of UJA. A draft statement called "Statement of Purpose" was discussed. The statement had been initially drafted by Dr. Jonathan Woocher. In general, the broad outlines of the statement were agreed to as being the appropriate philosophy for the American Forum in general. One specific addition was the desire to call the enterprise "The American Jewish Forum."

The meeting then included a lively discussion of the relationship between the American Forum and the UJA. The consensus of the meeting was that the American Jewish Forum accepts with appreciation the offers of sponsorship, housing, current staffing and budgeting by the United Jewish Appeal, assuming this sponsorship and assistance carries no prior restraints on the activities of the American Jewish Forum.

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The experimental nature of the American Jewish Forum makes it difficult to be precise in defining the relationships between the Forum and the UJA. The consensus of the Steering Committee is that we proceed on the highest level of good faith, working toward what we believe are mutually important goals. Other items discussed and agreed to were the following:

- 1. Whether a membership fee should be charged to members of the American Forum was discussed.
- Funds made available from the Young Leadership and Young Women's Leadership Cabinets for the American Forum should be used until the budget request is presented to the Officers of the UJA for approval in the next fiscal year.
- 3. A Search Committee to include Michael Adler, Anne-Louise Levine, Larry Rubinstein, Jonathan Woocher, Evan Bayer and Ira Silverman be constituted to prepare a job description and a national search for the Director of the American Forum and the job description.
- 4. Rabbi Daniel Allen should serve as temporary staff for the American Forum on an interim basis. As of July 1, 1987, a permanent director, recommended by the Search Committee, approved by the Steering Committee and of course with the concurrence with UJA, is desired.
- 5. The Youth Assembly Program under the chairmanship of Joel Leibowitz has begun its ongoing process of formation.
- 6. Staff should be responsible primarily to the American Forum Steering Committee.
- 7. A committee composed of Eric Zahler, Deborah Lipstadt, Howard Charish and Ted Young should explore the relationships of the American Forum and the UJA with Mr. Stanley Horowitz.
- 8. A vote was taken for Chairman. In nomination were Daniel Rubin and Michael Adler. The nominee selected was Daniel Rubin.
- 9. Date, time and place for the next meeting, 2:00 p.m., Thursday, February 12, New York City in the UJA office.

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