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The Board Of Directors Beth Israel Center Pleasant Hills, Pennsylvania

#### Gentlemen:

As many of you are aware, considerable thought has been given recently to the formation of a mem's auxiliary for the Beth Israel Center. After discussing the proposal with approximately twenty BIC members, including eight on the Board, we were encouraged by the unanimously enthusiastic reception it received. On Friday, January 6, Dr. Jacques L. Weiss appointed the writers co-chairmen of a special "Men's Club Committee", pending confirmation of the Board. It is the intent of this letter to outline the proposed objectives of such a committee, and to secure the Board's agreement to proceed with the work of forming a permanent "Men's Club".

### 1. Purpose of the "Men's Club" Committee

The committee is to be devoted towards the organization of a permanent "Men's Club" as a part of the Beth Israel Center. This would include the preparation of By-laws, planning of organizational meetings, and the conducting of the election of permanent officers.

# 2. Need for a "Men's Club"

A Men's Club is needed to provide for a fuller participation by the men of Beth Israel Center in efforts that will strengthen the Center and the Jewish Community.

## 3. Our Goals Should Be

Leadership Service Fellowship

#### 4. What Can Be Gained

a) A training ground for future executiive leadership in the Center,

1) Through active participation on committees and serving as Officers of the club.

- 2) Through increased familiarity with parliamentry procedures and formal organization.
- b) Service to the Center by performing such functions as:
  - 1) Organizing craft skills directed towards completing unfinished portions of our future building.
  - 2) Providing for a permanent Minyan group.

3) Sponsoring a Speakers Bureau.

- 4) Providing a potential source of Centersmembers.
- c) A solidification of ranks through the discussion of ideas and the

and the sharing of common interests, such as :

- 1) A Men's Sunday Morning Bagel and Lox discussion group.
- 2) Sports and recreational groups
- 3) A father and son program.

The philosophy of these goals are now being embodied in the tentative By-laws of the Men's Club, and will be presented to the men at an organizational meeting to be held in the near future. This committee (Sid Kaufman, Irwin Becker, Dave Scott, and Phil Blau) will pursue the above outline program immediately upon receiving the confirmation of the Board.

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