

Panel 5a Meeting 3

Date: 12/15/2014 6pm-7:30pm

Attendance: Jon Parritz, Mark Adelman, Holly Brod Farber, Todd Lifson, Kris MacDonald

Staff: David Milavetz

Goal: Review interviews and develop a realistic plan for upcoming listening session. Develop and discuss scope and defined success for this portion of the panel.

1. Status of Interviews

- a. The panel discussed the interviews conducted so far and agreed that they offered valuable candid and specific insights.
- b. Some of the upcoming interviews will be done on a group basis, like those done recently by Holly. Some will be done by the entire group. Others will be done by teams of at least two with ideally one person from St. Paul and one person from Minneapolis. At a minimum, each interview will involve one panel member and David, who will take notes.
- c. The panel discussed who still needed to be interviewed and adjusted the list of interviewees.
- d. David will handle coordination of times with the panel and interviewees.
- e. The panel discussed the importance of responding to feedback it receives from the community, agencies and rabbis and the responsibility and methods of appropriately sharing information.

Interviewees:

<u>Interviewee</u>	<u>Interviewer</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Burt Garr	Mark	Questions sent, interview not scheduled	Undetermined	
Dan Mogelson	Holly	Completed	Completed	
Debbie Stillman and Evan Stern	Kris and David	Scheduled for 1/7 at 9:15am	Minneapolis Jewish Federation	
Eli Skora and Gil Mann	Group Interview	Not completed	Panel 5a Meeting	
Steve Silberfarb	Jon, David and Kris	Not completed	Undetermined	Kris will set-up
Jerry Waldman	Mark	Not completed	Undetermined	
Joshua Wert, Karen Yashar	Group Interview	Not completed	Panel 5a meeting	David will coordinate times with panel
Michael Waldman	Jon and David	Not completed	Undetermined	
MRA	Group interview	Scheduled for 1/8 9-11am	MRA	
Rabbi Cytron	Todd and Mark	Completed (?)		
Stuart Wachs				Panel decided not to interview

Ted Flaum	Holly	Completed		
Judy Halper	Todd	Scheduled for January 14		

2. Planning Focus Groups

- a. Meetings will take place in both Minneapolis and St. Paul
- b. At the beginning of the listening sessions, a panelist will share a synthesis on what we've already heard from previous interviews to demonstrate the work being done already
- c. The panel will do focus group interviews of each Federation board towards the end of the process in February
- d. The questionnaire/survey will be publicized and available on the website so that those who are unable to attend a focus group can take it.

3. Reviewing timing and format of end product

- a. The panel discussed completing interviews by mid-January and focus groups by early February.

4. Ongoing Action Plan

- a. Continue interviews with individuals, agencies and rabbis
- b. Compile and catalogue areas where the Jewish community pursues goals together and where it does not
- c. Convene community listening sessions in each city
- d. Present and do focused listening sessions at regularly scheduled meetings of agency professionals in both communities and the Minnesota Rabbinical Assembly (MRA)