RESOLUTION ON RABBI/CANTOR RELATIONSHIPS

Passed by the ACC Executive Board, March 13, 2005
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Whereas an important component of the health of our congregations and the health of our movement is the relationship between CCAR rabbis and ACC cantors; and

Whereas there is a perceived need by rabbis and cantors for a proactive program to improve such relationships;

We therefore call upon our Conference leadership

1) To coordinate with the CCAR leadership a Biennial Joint Kallah which will provide an opportunity in which rabbis and cantors can study together on an equal footing;

2) To set up a program whereby successful rabbi/cantor teams will be available to mentor those rabbi/cantor teams who seek their input and support;

3) To call on the CCAR leadership to support invested and certified ACC cantors as clergy eligible to serve in the military chaplaincy in the same manner as members of CCAR members are so accepted;

4) To instruct our Executive Director to invite his or her CCAR counterpart to meet on a regular basis in order to keep lines of communication between the ACC and the CCAR open;

5) To schedule one joint Board Meeting session with the CCAR Board on an annual basis;

6) To encourage the ACC regions to work with their counterparts in the local CCAR regions to create on a regular basis mini-kallot in which rabbis and cantors can study together on an equal footing; and

7) To work together with our esteemed Rosh Yeshiva to continue the process of better preparing our rabbinical and cantorial students for the shaping of positive partnerships in the future.