

Jane Taves



Jane Taves is the Women of Reform Judaism Vice President of Advocacy, and Marketing & Communications. Before becoming a Vice President, she served on the WRJ Board for four years. Her responsibilities included: chair of the WRJ Wilkenfeld International Women's Leadership Conference in Jerusalem, May 2018, a member of the Wilkenfeld 2016 planning committee, and participation in the launch of the WRJ Yammer network.

Since 2008 Jane has been a member of the Union for Reform Judaism Board of Trustees. She served as a URJ Regional President, a URJ District Chair, and after six years, termed off the URJ Oversight Committee. Jane chaired the task force that created and launched the URJ Communities, and chaired the task force that created the Membership Engagement Ambassadors. These two initiatives have provided an infrastructure that connects to every URJ congregation, those in major cities and those that have no surrounding Reform congregations.

Jane is a member of the World Union for Progressive Judaism Executive Board and co-chairs the WUPJ North American Advisory Board. Recently, she has had the opportunity to travel around the world with WUPJ, including Rio de Janeiro, Berlin, London, South Africa, and Israel.

Jane is a member of Temple Beth El in Madison, Wisconsin. She is the Financial Secretary and is on the Board and the Executive Committee.

She is retired from a career in healthcare software at Epic Systems, where her roles ranged from software development to project implementation to sales.

Along with her volunteer work, Jane greatly enjoys the theater, opera, and worldwide travel. She has one adult daughter and two grand dogs.