



Wednesday, July 10  
6 PM

147 Saint Nicholas Avenue

Board Meeting

**AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order and Reminder to Sign Up for Public Comments**
- 2. Adoption of July 2019 Agenda**
- 3. Approval of June 2019 Minutes**
- 4. Action Item:**
  - a. Approval of September 10, 2019 as the September Board Meeting Date**
- 5. PTO Report**
- 6. Public Comments**
- 7. Staff Comments**
- 8. Executive Session (if needed)**
- 9. Adjournment**



## **Annual Board of Trustees Meeting**

June 12, 2019

630 PM

147 Saint Nicholas Avenue

New York, NY 10026

### **Minutes**

#### **Trustees Present**

William Allen
Linda Aristondo
Sara Bloom
Vanessa Goldberg-Drossman
Linda Tarry-Chard
Scott Wickham

#### **Also Present:**

Meghan Barrios, Interim Head of School

Jon Rosenberg, Hebrew Public

Mark Fink, Hebrew Public

Ursula Vericain, Director of Operations

3 Community Members

#### **1. Call to Order**

Linda Aristondo called the meeting to order at 6:39 pm and reminded everyone in attendance to sign up for public comments if they wished to speak.

#### **2. Adoption of Agenda(s)**

Scott Wickham made a motion to adopt the June 2019 agenda. Linda Tarry-Chard seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **3. Approval of Minutes**

Scott Wickham made a motion to approve the May 2019 Minutes. William Allen seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **4. Leadership Update:**

The board was updated to the following:

- A school wide art show featuring the works of students was a huge success. Parents were able to purchase the students framed artwork.
- *Pearls of Wisdom*, concluded for the year with many students sharing their own stories.
- Enrollment events have been ongoing with operation staff continuing to call parents and guardians of students on the wait list.
- An African Dance festival took place on May 31<sup>st</sup>,
- A school dance for grades 5 and 6 is scheduled to take place on Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>.
- The Kindergarten Step-Up Celebration and end of the year class celebrations for grades 1-6 will take place the last week of school.
- The Annual Raise the Roof Breakfast taking place on Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup> will introduce the Harlem Hebrew Community to the school's incoming leaders; Emily Lynn Carson, Head of School for Instruction and Jason Epting, Head of School for Operations and Community.
- The school's rooftop playground is closed for the remainder of the school year.
- Hiring for the next school year is ongoing.
- MAP testing has been concluded.
- Israel Day is scheduled to take place on June 18<sup>th</sup>.
- A Song Celebration is scheduled to take place on June 21<sup>st</sup>.
- A therapy dog, Watson, has been made two visits to the school to great fanfare.
- June 28<sup>th</sup> is the last day of school for the current year.
- Interim Head of School, Meghan Barrios, reminded the board that this was her last board meeting as Interim Head of School and she would be returning to her position at the Hebrew Public network. The board congratulated her and thanked her for her hard work.

### **5. Action Items**

Scott Wickham made a motion to approve the following action items in totem:

- a. 2019-2020 Instructional Calendar
- b. 2019-2020 Board Calendar
- c. Renewed Board Terms for Linda Aristondo, Sara Bloom and William Allen
- d. Election of Vanessa Goldberg-Drossman to a full board term as a trustee pending approval by the authorizer
- e. 2019-2020 Board Officer slate consisting of:

- Linda Aristondo, Chair
  - Sara Bloom, Vice – Chair
  - Vanessa Goldberg-Drossman, Treasurer
  - William Allen, Secretary
- f. Authorizing the CMO (Hebrew Public) to offer the Head of School for Instruction position to Emily Lynn Carson for the 2019-2020 School Year.
  - g. Authorizing the CMO (Hebrew Public) to offer the Head of School for Community and Operations position to Jason Epting for the 2019-2020 School Year.

After a discussion, Linda Tarry-Chard seconded the motion to approve all of the aforementioned action items excepting the date of the September 2019 board meeting, which will be voted on at the next board meeting where there is a quorum. The motion carried unanimously with all members whose positions and or/terms were being voted on abstaining from those respective items.

Additionally, the board tabled a vote on a motion to amend the school's bylaws which would introduce a condition precedent on the election a parent/guardian board member ex-officio. The matter will be revisited at a later date.

## **6. PTO Report**

The board was informed that a new slate of PTO officers has been elected. The slate is excited to begin working with school leadership over the summer and into the next school year.

## **7. Public Comments**

- I Harlem Hebrew Community Member commented on preventing disruptions in classrooms.
- I Harlem Hebrew Community Member asked about in school suspensions.

## **8. Staff Comments**

None.

## **9. Executive Session**

None.

## **10. Adjournment**

Sara Bloom made a motion adjourn. William Allen seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

## Board Meetings

2019-2020 School Year

630 pm

2019
Wednesday, July 10 <sup>th</sup>
Wednesday, August 14 <sup>th</sup>
Tuesday, September 10 <sup>th</sup>
Wednesday, October 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Wednesday, November 13 <sup>th</sup>
Wednesday, December 4 <sup>th</sup>
2020
Wednesday, January 8 <sup>th</sup>
Wednesday, February 12 <sup>th</sup>
Wednesday, March 11 <sup>th</sup>
Wednesday, April 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Wednesday, May 13 <sup>th</sup>
Wednesday, June 10 <sup>th</sup>