



HLA Board Meeting Agenda

May 10, 2022, 6 pm

Location: Zoom

1. Call to Order & Reminder for Public Comment(s) Sign Up
2. Adoption of May 2022 Agenda
3. Approval of April 2022 Minutes
4. School Leadership Update
5. Public Comments
6. Adjournment



Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

April 5, 2022 6 pm

Location: Zoom

Trustees Present

Elly Rosenthal
Ellen Green
Alice Li
Stella Binkevich
Brian Tobin

Also Present:

Daniella Steinberg, Head of School, HLA

Lauren Murphy, External Relations Manager, Hebrew Public

8 members of the public

1. Call to Order/Public Comments

Ellen Green called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm and reminded everyone in attendance in order to sign up to make a public comment prior to our board meeting, email boardhla@hebrewpublic.org. Members of the public who missed the public notices were given a chance to sign up during the meeting using the chat function. Members of the board and staff do not typically respond to public comments at the time they are made. However, unanswered questions will be responded to within a few business days.

2. Adoption of March & April 2022 Agendas

Ellen Green asked for a motion to adopt, and Elly Rosenthal made a motion to adopt the March & April 2022 agendas. Alice Li seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of February & March 2022 Meeting Minutes

Ellen Green asked for a motion to approve, and Elly Rosenthal made a motion to approve the February & March 2022 meeting minutes. Alice Li seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

4. School Leadership Update

Daniella Steinberg, Head of School shared updates and school photographs with the board and members of the public

- General School Updates
 - Teacher & staff appreciation
 - “If someone makes you happy, make them happier”
 - Big shout out to all teachers and HLA staff members for going above and beyond always but especially during testing
 - ELA State Tests
 - Completed!
 - Students all brought a positive mindset
 - Teachers continue to be very committed to all students
 - Ukrainian Refugees
 - Two siblings arrived from Kyiv
 - Both are 6th graders
 - Daniella shared a picture of them both working with the MLL (multi-language learner) teacher on their first day of school
 - Celebrated Purim
 - The school ordered Hamantaschen for all classes
 - A delicious pastry
 - Cultural celebration of Israel
 - New Books!
 - Students got a chance to add new books to their existing bags
- Events
 - 6th Grade Movie Night
 - April 7th at 6:30 pm
 - Held in the gymnasium
 - Cotton candy and popcorn for the kids
 - Art Auction
 - Raising money for Make a Wish Foundation
 - Students have been working on their art pieces for all of quarter 3
 - Families can attend in person or can view all art virtually
 - Vaccine policy must be followed to enter the school building
 - \$5 minimum donation is requested
 - Shoot-a-Thon
 - Basketball team fundraiser that took place this month
 - A lot of money was raised
- Staff Update
 - Made an offer to one of HLA’s current teachers for the Dean of Math position
 - William Mann, a 7th-grade teacher
 - 15 years of teaching experience
 - Went through the interview process with several external candidates



- All 8th graders will take regents next year

5. Public Comments

1 member of the public made a comment about the school's website.

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6. Adjournment

Ellen Green asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, Stella Binkevich made the motion, Elly Rosenthal seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 6:18 pm. The board will meet next on May 10 at 6:00 pm.