

# Board Meeting Via Zoom Tuesday, September 22, 2020 6 pm

# **AGENDA**

2.	Reminder for Public Comments

- 3. Adoption of September 2020 Agenda
- 4. Approval of August 2020 Minutes
- 5. Action Item

I. Call to Order

- Board Resolution
  - i. Sublease
  - ii. Guaranty
- 6. Leadership Update
- 7. Adjournment



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Board of Trustees Meeting via Zoom

Tuesday, August 25, 2020 6 pm

#### **Minutes**

#### **Trustees Present**

Sue Fox
Alice Li
Stella Binkevich
Will Mack
Adam Miller
Ella Zalkind

#### Also Present:

Ashley Furan, Head of School, HLA2

Marie Lucas, Director of Operations, HLA2

Jon Rosenberg, CEO, Hebrew Public

Lauren Murphy, External Relations Manager, Hebrew Public

# I. Call to Order

Sue Fox called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm and reminded everyone in attendance to use the "chat" feature to sign up for public comments or to email the board at <a href="mailto:boardhla2@hebrewpublic.org">boardhla2@hebrewpublic.org</a> and the comments will be addressed within 48 hours.

# 2. Adoption of August 2020 Agenda

Sue Fox asked for a motion to adopt, Will Mack made a motion to adopt the August 2020 agenda, Stella Binkevich seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

# 3. Approval of July 2020 Minutes

Adam Miller asked for a motion to approve, Will Mack made a motion to approve the July 2020 minutes. Alice Li seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

# 4. Leadership Update

Ashley Furan, Head of School informed the board of the following:

- Learning Selections Began
  - Remote v. Hybrid Model
- Planning in progress
  - Selection of cohorts & classes
  - Schedules
  - Staff assignments
- The Operations Team has been preparing the building for student and staff arrival:
  - Safe spaces
    - Health and safety PPE kits in all classrooms/offices
    - Social distancing classroom furniture
    - Additional air units have been added to all classrooms
  - Signage
    - Health & Safety Posters
    - Social distance floor stickers
  - Sanitation
    - Wall-mounted & free-standing hand sanitizers
  - Getting teachers and families ready for the new year
- HLA2 continues to invest in continued education
  - Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion work (DEI)
    - Celebrating the diversity of our staff & families
  - Curricular Training
  - Trauma Responsive Education
- Enrollment
  - HLA2 has a very robust enrollment
  - Our current estimate for September's total enrollment will be around
     350 students

## 5. CEO Report

Jon Rosenberg, CEO, Hebrew Public informed the board of the following: Reopening:

- Hebrew Public, the network that manages HLA2 hosted a second 90 minute Town Hall meeting in August for families.
  - Around 150 community members attended
  - A lot of positive feedback was given from members of our school community
- Back to School Models
  - School will begin on September 8 and will be 100% remote for all students. On September 21, the hybrid model will begin.
  - Hybrid
    - 11 classrooms on average will be used for hybrid instruction, with group sizes averaging 10 children
  - Remote Academy
    - Supported by teachers from across the network
- Child Care partnership with the JCH
  - Both for staff & families with school-aged children
  - Payment will be on a sliding scale funded by donations
- Bus transportation is provided by NYC's office of pupil transportation
  - NYC has not announced yet if bussing will be up and running in September
  - If families are conflicted by choosing the remote/hybrid model for their child dependent on transportation, they are encouraged to choose hybrid on the survey form. If transportation is not available by the first day of hybrid instruction, the response can always be changed

#### Facilities:

- Kings Highway bond deal is officially over
- No financial liability for HLA2
- Negotiations are continuing for a new site that is currently being constructed
  - Substantial outdoor space
  - Rent is manageable
  - o 2022-23 School Year

# 6. Adjournment

Adam Miller motioned to adjourn. Will Mack seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 pm.

### RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF

#### HEBREW LANGUAGE ACADEMY 2 PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

The Board of Trustees (the "**Board**") of Hebrew Language Academy 2 Charter School, a New York not-for-profit education corporation (the "**School**"), at a duly constituted meeting of the Board held on September 22, 2020, does hereby (i) approve and adopt the following resolutions and (ii) direct that these resolutions be recorded among the minutes of the proceedings of the School.

WHEREAS, in conjunction with Friends of Hebrew Language Academy 2, Inc. ("Friends Of"), the School has finalized lease terms and documentation to secure for the School a new (to-be-constructed) facility located at 2286 Cropsey Avenue, Brooklyn, NY (the "Premises") to house its student body, anticipated to begin with the 2022-23 school year; and

**WHEREAS**, for strategic purposes, Friends Of will be the prime tenant under the lease (the "**Lease**"; attached hereto as **Exhibit A**) with the landlord (the "**Landlord**") of the Premises and will sublease the Premises to the School; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of the Lease, as a material inducement to Landlord to enter into the Lease, the Owner requires that the School guaranty the payment of rent and other expenses set forth in the Lease pursuant to a Guaranty of Lease (the "Guaranty"; attached hereto as Exhibit B); and

WHEREAS, the School desires to sublease the Premises from Friends Of pursuant to a sublease (the "Sublease") which incorporates by reference the Lease, establishes a rent that shall be affordable under the School's budget and which shall include the rent due under the Lease as well as other facilities operational costs (e.g. utilities, maintenance, service contracts, etc.), all as to be more fully set forth in the Sublease; and

**WHEREAS**, the School desires to issue a Guaranty to satisfy the Landlord's requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, the School wishes to approve the general terms of the Sublease as set forth above, commit to entering into the Sublease by April 1, 2022 and approve the Guaranty which shall be executed promptly following the approval of these resolutions so that Friends of can enter into the Lease for the Premises:

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that after due deliberation and consideration, the Board believes securing the Premises to be in the best interest of the School and necessary and advisable and approves the general terms of the Sublease, commits to executing a Sublease containing such general terms on or before April 1, 2022 and approves the School executing the Guaranty so that Friends Of can execute the Lease; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the School is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Guaranty and such further agreements, assignments, pledges, instruments, consents and any other documents ancillary to Guaranty necessary, proper and/or

advisable in the determination of any Proper Representative (as defined below) and the payments related thereto as set forth above;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any Trustee or officer of the School or the Board's designee (each, a "**Proper Representative**"), be and hereby is authorized and directed, jointly and severally, to execute and deliver the Guaranty and any other documents consistent with the transactions described above and such further agreements, assignments, pledges, instruments, consents and documents ancillary to the Guaranty or necessary in the determination of any Proper Representative, in the name of and on behalf of the School, and to pay all such expenses and taxes as in their judgment shall be necessary, proper and advisable in order to fully carry out the intent and accomplish the purposes of the foregoing resolutions; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all actions heretofore taken by any Proper Representative, for and on behalf of the School in connection with the Guaranty including, but not limited to, the execution of the Guaranty shall be and hereby are ratified and approved, and that the authority given hereunder shall be retroactive and any and all acts hereunder performed prior to the passage of these resolutions are hereby ratified and approved.

	Secretary of the Board of Trustees	

Adopted: September 22, 2020