

April 22, 2021 6:30 pm Board Meeting via Zoom

# <u>Agenda</u>

- I. Call to Order & Public Comment Reminder
- 2. Adoption of April 2021 Agenda
- 3. Approval of April 1, 2021, Special Meeting Minutes, and March 2021 Minutes
- 4. Network Update
- 5. Adjournment



# Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees via Zoom

April 1, 2021 6:30 pm **Minutes** 

#### **Trustees Present**

Ernest Paige
Shelley Jain
David H. Sorkin
Angela Mirizzi Olsen

#### Others Present:

Jon Rosenberg, CEO, Hebrew Public Valerie Khaytina, Chief External Officer, Hebrew Public Lauren Murphy, External Relations Manager, Hebrew Public

#### 1. Call to Order & Public Comment Reminder

Jon Rosenberg opened the meeting at 6:35 pm and everyone in attendance was reminded to use the "chat" feature for public comments or to email the board at info@hebrewpublic.org and the comments will be addressed within 48 hours.

#### 2. Vote and Confirm the Role of Board Chair

The Chairperson's main role is to preside over all board meetings; they are responsible for ensuring the meetings are run efficiently. After a brief discussion, the members of the board nominated David H. Sorkin for the role of Chair.

Angela Mirrizi Olsen asked for a motion to approve David H. Sorkin as Staten Island Hebrew Public's Chairperson. Shelley Jain made the motion, Ernest Paige seconded, and the motion carried.

### 7. Adjournment

David H. Sorkin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 pm.



# **Board of Trustees Meeting via Zoom**

March 18, 2021 6:30 pm

#### **M**inutes

#### **Trustees Present**

Ernest Paige
Noemi Zibuts
David Sorkin
Angela Mirizzi Olsen

#### **Others Present:**

Jon Rosenberg, CEO, Hebrew Public
Valerie Khaytina, Chief External Officer, Hebrew Public
Emily Fernandez, Chief Schools Officer, Hebrew Public
Kim Kassnove, Chief Talent Officer, Hebrew Public
Lauren Murphy, External Relations Manager, Hebrew Public

#### I. Call to Order & Public Comment Reminder

Jon Rosenberg opened the meeting at 6:35 pm and everyone in attendance was reminded to use the "chat" feature for public comments or to email the board at info@hebrewpublic.org and the comments will be addressed within 48 hours.

# 2. Adoption of March 2021 Agenda

Jon Rosenberg asked for a motion to adopt, David Sorkin made a motion to adopt the March 2021 agenda, Noemi Zibuts seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.



#### 3. Action Items

Following a discussion, Angela Mirizzi Olsen made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

- a. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes
- b. Adoption of Prior Meeting Agendas
- c. Approval of Noemi Zibuts Secretary Appointment

It is important to note, Noemi Zibuts abstained from the original September 8, 2020 vote to approve the signing of the lease guaranty and approve the entering into of a sublease between the school Staten Island Hebrew Public and the Friends of Staten Island Hebrew Public organization due to a conflict of interest. She maintained her abstention from that specific vote in the consent agenda during tonight's meeting.

David Sorkin seconded the motion and the consent agenda was approved unanimously.

# 4. Re-Approval of Third Planning Year Request

Jon Rosenberg and the trustees discussed re-approving a third planning year for Staten Island Hebrew Public. The COVID-19 pandemic has greatly impacted the timeline of construction, funding, recruitment of students and staff, and ability to secure an incubation space.

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Noemi Zibuts made a motion to re-approve the request and resolution for another planning year, David Sorkin seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF**

#### STATEN ISLAND HEBREW PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

The Board of Trustees (the "**Board**") of Staten Island Hebrew Public Charter School, a New York not-for-profit education corporation (the "**School**"), at a duly constituted meeting of the Board held on March 18, 2021 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 Staten Island Hebrew Public, Inc. ("Friends Of"), the School has finalized lease terms and documentation to secure for the School a new (to-be-constructed) facility located at 829 Father Capodanno Blvd., Staten Island, NY (the "Premises") to house its student body, originally anticipated to begin with the 2021-22 school year; and

WHEREAS, due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic (the "Pandemic"), all construction including that of the aforementioned premises has been delayed; and

**WHEREAS**, the ongoing Pandemic has also prohibited or severely restricted outreach of prospective students and recruitment of key personnel;

**WHEREAS**, the Board in consultation with the School's CMO, Hebrew Public ("Hebrew Public") has determined utilizing an additional planning year will best serve the School and its students by allowing for the completion of the facilities and affording more time and opportunities for outreach and recruitment;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that after due deliberation and consideration, the Board approves the taking of an additional planning year for the School to run concurrently with the 2022-2023 school year, pending approval from the authorizer;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any Trustee or officer of the School (each, a "Proper Representative"), be and hereby is authorized and directed, jointly and severally, to execute and deliver the Resolution and any other documents consistent with the transactions described above and such further agreements, assignments, pledges, instruments, consents and documents ancillary to the Resolution 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 Resolution 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.

# 4. Network Update

A Network update was not provided due to meeting time constraints.

# 5. Scheduling of Special Meeting

Jon Rosenberg briefly outlined the role and importance of a board chair and requested a special meeting in order to vote and approve a trustee into the vacancy. Noemi Zibuts and Yelena Sklyar are not eligible for the position.

# 6. Executive Session (Head of School Candidate Interview)

No votes or actions were taken during this time.

# 7. Adjournment

Noemi Zibuts made a motion to adjourn the meeting, David Sorkin seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.