



Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda

October 19, 2023, 6:30 pm

1. Call to Order & Public Comment Reminder
2. Adoption of the October 2023 Agenda
3. Approval of the September 2023 Minutes
4. Safety and Security Report
5. Teacher and School Leader Incentive Program Grant Notification
6. Public Comments
7. Adjournment

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2023, 6:30 pm

Trustees Present

David H. Sorkin
Rachel Amar
Bonita Sussman
Angela Mirizzi-Olsen
Ernest Paige
Noemi Zibuts

Others Present:

Lissette Roman, Head of School. Staten Island Hebrew Public
Valerie Khaytina, Chief External Officer, Hebrew Public
Lauren Murphy, Associate Chief of Staff, Hebrew Public
1 member of the public

1. Call to Order

David H. Sorkin asked for a motion to open the meeting at 6:36 p.m. and reminded everyone in attendance they can sign up for public comments before the board meeting by emailing boardsihp@hebrewpublic.org. Members of the public who missed the public notices can sign up during the meeting using the chat function and/or those present in the building can sign up on the attendance sheet. 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 the September 2023 Meeting Agenda

David H. Sorkin asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. Bonita Sussman made a motion to adopt the September 2023 agenda, Angela Mirizzi-Olsen seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

3. Approval of the August 2023 Meeting Minutes

David H. Sorkin asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Ernest Paige made a motion to approve the August 2023 meeting minutes, Bonita Sussman seconded, and the motion carried, with an abstention from Rachel Amar.

4. School Report

Staten Island Hebrew Public's Head of School, Lissette Roman presented a PowerPoint that covered a back-to-school overview, hiring updates (*1 Culture Associate position available*), school culture events, and school planning updates. The students participated in Rosh Hashanah traditions of apples & honey for a sweet new year! Back to School Night for families will be held on October 11th.

5. Network Update

Valerie Khaytina updated the board on the following:

- Student recruitment numbers
 - 155 students
 - Less than previously projected
- Hebrew Public hosted a mental health therapy training in partnership with the UJA Federation and Jewish Board of Family Services
 - 40+ mental health professionals came together in August
 - The trainings will benefit all students with trauma

6. Public Comments

There were three questions received prior to the board meeting regarding building security, class size, and recess. Lissette Roman addressed all of the questions during this time.

7. CMO Evaluation

The board collectively reviewed, discussed, and conducted the charter management organization's (Hebrew Public) evaluation for the 22-23 school year in partnership with the Head of School.

8. Adjournment

David H. Sorkin asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rachel Amar made the motion to adjourn at 7:37 p.m., Bonita Sussman seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously. The board will meet next on October 19, 2023.