



HLA Board Meeting Agenda

November 14, 2023, 6 pm

1. Call to Order & Reminder for Public Comment(s) Sign Up
2. Adoption of November 2023 Agenda
3. Approval of October 2023 Minutes
4. School Report
5. Network Report
6. Public Comments
7. Adjournment

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

October 17, 2023, 6 pm

Trustees Present

Alice Li
Ellen Green
Mike Tobman
Valerie Khaytina

Also Present:

Daniella Steinberg, Head of School, HLA
Elyse Castellano, Chief Financial and Operating Officer, Hebrew Public
Lauren Murphy, Associate Chief of Staff, Hebrew Public
Lennie Blake, HLA’s PTO President
13 members of the public

1. Call to Order/Public Comments

Ellen Green called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. and reminded everyone in attendance they can sign up for public comments before the board meeting by emailing boardhla@hebrewpublic.org. Members of the public who missed the public notices can 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 October 2023 Agenda

Ellen Green asked for a motion to adopt the October 2023 agenda. Mike Tobman made the motion, Alice Li seconded, and the motion unanimously passed.

3. Approval of September 2023 Meeting Minutes

Ellen Green asked for a motion to approve the September 2023 Meeting minutes. Mike Tobman made the motion, Alice Li seconded, and the motion unanimously passed.

4. Leadership Report

HLA’s Head of School, Daniella Steinberg shared a PowerPoint presentation that covered all updates from the past month including Prestige test prep, middle school clubs, upcoming class



trips, and iReady assessments. Ms. Steinberg also reviewed the pre-existing security protocols and security enhancements at HLA.

PTO President, Lennie Blake shared current PTO initiatives: Kindersgrams in honor of anti-bullying, Penny Wars, and Movie Night!

5. Network Report

Elyse Castellano, Chief Financial and Operating Officer reiterated the enhancements to the security protocols at HLA and all Hebrew Public schools. HLA has been working with local officials and agencies to keep the school community safe.

Valerie Khaytina shared that Hebrew Public has been very involved in supporting all staff during this difficult time, especially the Hebrew teachers.

Hebrew Public was awarded 4.3 million dollars over the next three years for the Teacher and School Leader Incentive Program Grant which will support professional development and pay scale systems to help retain school staff across all Hebrew Public schools.

6. Public Comments

A public comment was made regarding the war in Israel.

7. Adjournment

Ellen Green asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Mike Tobman made the motion to adjourn; Valerie Khaytina seconded and the meeting adjourned. The board will meet next on November 14, 2023.