



# Hebrew Language Academy Charter School 2 (HLA2)

## HLA2 Board Meeting

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### Date and Time

Tuesday September 17, 2024 at 6:00 PM EDT

### Location

2286 Cropsey Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11214

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Board and staff members do not typically respond to public comments at the time they are made. However, we will do our best to respond to unanswered questions within a few business days.

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### Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter
<b>I. Opening Items</b>		
<b>A.</b> Record Attendance		
<b>B.</b> Call the Meeting to Order		Adam Miller
Call to Order & Reminder for Public Comment(s) Sign Up		
<b>C.</b> Adoption of September 2024 Agenda	Vote	Adam Miller
<b>D.</b> Approve Minutes	Approve Minutes	Adam Miller
Approve minutes for HLA2 Special Board Meeting on August 29, 2024		
<b>II. Board on Track Presentation</b>		
<b>A.</b> Software Overview	FYI	
<b>III. School Report</b>		
<b>A.</b> Head of School Update	FYI	Katie Passley
<b>IV. Network Report</b>		
<b>A.</b> Hebrew Public Update	FYI	Elyse Castellano
<b>V. Public Comments</b>		
<b>A.</b> Review of Public Comments	FYI	Adam Miller
<b>VI. Closing Items</b>		
<b>A.</b> Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Adam Miller

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# Coversheet

## Approve Minutes

**Section:** I. Opening Items  
**Item:** D. Approve Minutes  
**Purpose:** Approve Minutes  
**Submitted by:**  
**Related Material:** Minutes for HLA2 Special Board Meeting on August 29, 2024

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# Hebrew Language Academy Charter School 2 (HLA2)

## Minutes

### HLA2 Special Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Thursday August 29, 2024 at 11:00 AM

#### Location

2286 Cropsey Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11214

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#### Trustees Present

Adam Miller (remote), Ella Zalkind (remote), Mike Tobman (remote), Stella Binkevich (remote), Susan Fox (remote), Will Mack (remote)

#### Trustees Absent

Alice Li

#### Guests Present

Elyse Castellano (remote), Emily Fernandez, Jon Rosenberg (remote), Lauren Murphy (remote)

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

Mike Tobman called a meeting of the board of trustees of Hebrew Language Academy Charter School 2 (HLA2) to order on Thursday Aug 29, 2024 at 11:01 AM.

**C. Adoption of Special Agenda & August 27 Meeting Agenda**

Will Mack made a motion to adopt today's special meeting agenda & the August 27 meeting agenda.

Susan Fox seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**D. Approve July 2024 Minutes**

Will Mack made a motion to approve the minutes from HLA2 Board Meeting on 07-16-24.

Mike Tobman seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**E. Approve August 2024 Minutes**

Will Mack made a motion to approve the minutes from HLA2 August Board Meeting on 08-27-24.

Mike Tobman seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**II. Board Action**

**A. Approval of HLA2 Charter Renewal Application**

Susan Fox made a motion to approve the HLA2 Charter Renewal Cover Letter as presented to the board with the addition of the language "has substantially achieved with limited exceptions..." in the second paragraph.

Mike Tobman seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Mike Tobman made a motion to approve the justification letter with the caveat that the board will rely on the CMO (Hebrew Public) to include the addition of updated petition numbers prior to the submission on 9/3.

Stella Binkevich seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Mike Tobman made a motion to approve the full HLA2 renewal & expansion charter application.

Susan Fox seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**B. Approval of the School Safety Plan 24/25**

Mike Tobman made a motion to approve the HLA2 school safety plan 24/25.

Susan Fox seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **C. Approval of HLA2 Family Handbook 24/25**

Will Mack made a motion to approve the HLA2 Family Handbook for school year 24/25.

Stella Binkevich seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **D. Resolution and Vote to elect Joanne Cavanaugh to the Board of Trustees pending approval by NYSED.**

Susan Fox made a motion to approve the following resolution: Hebrew Language Academy Charter School 2, having conducted a thorough criminal history record check via fingerprinting which is deemed acceptable by NYSED, and having discovered no State or federal criminal history, or having provided information regarding such history to NYSED, if found, and having verified that any academic and/or professional credential or qualification presented by the proposed member is genuine, and having reviewed the application in its entirety, has voted to select Joanne Cavanaugh as a member to its Board of Trustees, with a term expiring on June 30, 2027, pending approval by NYSED.

The resolution approving Joanne Cavanaugh is adopted upon NYSED's approval.

Stella Binkevich seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## **III. Executive Session**

### **A. Head of School Evaluation Review**

Stella Binkevich made a motion to enter into an executive session at 11:17 am to review the Head of School Evaluation.

Susan Fox seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Emily Fernandez reviewed the HOS evaluation with the board members.

Stella Binkevich made a motion to exit executive session at 11:23 am.

Susan Fox seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## **IV. Board Action**

### **A. Approve Head Of School Evaluation**

Susan Fox made a motion to approve the Head of School Evaluation.

Stella Binkevich seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## **V. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 11:24 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Adam Miller

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