



Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda

December 17, 2025, 7:00 pm

1. Call to Order & Public Comment Reminder
2. Action Item: Adoption of December 2025 Agenda
3. Action Item: Approval of November 2025 Minutes
4. Leadership Reports
5. Board Member Recruitment
6. Public Comments
7. Adjournment



Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2025, 7:00 pm

Meeting Locations: 829 Father Capodanno Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10305 & Zoom

Trustees Present

Noemi Zibuts
David Sorkin
Rachel Amar
Bonita Sussman
Anna Maftser

Others Present:

Amanda Ainley, HOS, Staten Island Hebrew Public

Jon Rosenberg, CEO, Hebrew Public

Valerie Khaytina, Chief External Officer, Hebrew Public

Lauren Murphy, Director of External Relations, Hebrew Public

1. Call to Order

David Sorkin made a motion to open the meeting at 7:04 pm.

2. Adoption of the November 2025 Meeting Agenda

David Sorkin asked for a motion to adopt the November 2025 meeting agenda. Anna Maftser made the motion, Bonita Sussman seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

3. Approval of the October 2025 Meeting Minutes

David Sorkin asked for a motion to approve the October 2025 meeting minutes. Anna Maftser made the motion, Noemi Zibuts seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

4. Leadership Report

A collaborative PowerPoint presentation was shared with the board that provided updates on family engagement, academics, and student recruitment. Family–teacher conferences have begun, with a strong participation rate expected; final numbers will be shared next month. Key

performance indicators (KPIs) were reviewed, noting continued improvement in attendance. The school is fully staffed following a recent hire. Leadership also shared highlights from the midterm site-visit report, which recognized strong instruction, a rigorous Hebrew program, positive school culture, strong internal assessment data, and solid governance and operations. Current student enrollment remains steady. Application numbers for next year are trending ahead of last year. Upcoming open house dates and school tour dates were reviewed, and a major community event at the JCC is upcoming; two staff members will be in attendance.

The board discussed the update, and no action was taken.

5. Action Item: Charter Revision to Approve a Resolution Adding a Weighted Preference to the Admissions Lottery for Students with Disabilities

Staten Island Hebrew Public seeks to amend its charter to add a weight of 2.0 to each Student with Disabilities (SWD) applicant in three of its lottery preference categories (first siblings, then residents of community school district thirty-one, and then, children of staff), as compared with a weight of 1.00 for non-SWD applicants. The board discussed the charter revision at length.

David Sorkin asked for a motion to approve the aforementioned resolution to add a 2.0 weighted preference to the admissions lottery for Students with Disabilities (SWD) in three of its lottery preference categories (first siblings, then residents of community school district thirty-one, and then, children of staff), as compared with a weight of 1.00 for non-SWD applicants. Bonita Sussman made the motion, and Rachel Amar seconded the motion. The motion went to a vote, where it was carried unanimously, with no abstentions or objections.

6. Action Item: Charter Revision to Approve a Resolution to Decrease Maximum Enrollment

The current charter states the maximum enrollment is 378 students. The proposal is to revise the chartered enrollment to 330 students, which better reflects projected enrollment and keeps Staten Island Hebrew Public aligned with compliance expectations, and maintains realistic growth. The board discussed the charter revision at length.

David Sorkin asked for a motion to approve the resolution to decrease Staten Island Hebrew Public's maximum enrollment to 330 students. Rachel Amar made the motion, and Bonita Sussman seconded the motion. The motion went to a vote, where it was carried unanimously, with no abstentions or objections.

7. Public Comments

There were no public comments made during the meeting.

8. Adjournment

David Sorkin adjourned the meeting at 7:46 pm. The board will meet next on December 17, 2025.