



HLA Board Meeting Agenda

January 6, 2026, 6 pm

1. Call to Order & Reminder for Public Comment(s) Sign Up
2. Adoption of January 2026 Agenda
3. Approval of December 2025 Minutes
4. School Report
5. Network Report
6. Public Comments
7. Adjournment



Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

December 9, 2025, 6 pm

Meeting Locations: 2186 Mill Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11234 & Zoom

Trustees Present

Ellen Green
Valerie Khaytina
Michael Moore
Mike Tobman
Stella Binkevich

Also Present:

Daniella Steinberg, Head of School, HLA

Gerard Del Rosario, Director of Operations, HLA

Lauren Murphy, Director of External Relations, Hebrew Public

1. Call to Order

Ellen Green called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and reminded members of the public that at this time, they may sign up to make a public comment; they also may sign up before all board meetings by emailing boardhla@hebrewpublic.org.

2. Adoption of December 2025 Agenda

Ellen Green asked for a motion to adopt the December 2025 meeting agenda. Mike Tobman made a motion, and Valerie Khaytina seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

3. Approval of November 2025 Meeting Minutes

Ellen Green asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the November 2025 meeting. Mike Tobman made the motion, and Valerie Khaytina seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

4. School Leadership Report



Daniella Steinberg provided an update highlighting student activities, academics, and operations. The student leadership team continues to manage the snack cart initiative. Upcoming events include the K–4 Winter Dance, middle school basketball tryouts for boys and girls (with eligibility set at a 75% GPA or higher), *Holiday of the Holidays* on December 14, the K–4 Winter Show “*Friends Around the World*” on December 18, and an *Ugly Sweater Competition* on December 23. Students attending school events or tryouts ending after 5:15 p.m. must be picked up by a parent or guardian.

Academically, internal assessments are underway, and the HLA Dashboard continues to track progress. There are currently no staff vacancies. Attendance remains an area of focus during the winter months, and suspension rates are stable. Student applications are nearly equal to last year’s levels, and all financial goals have been met through strong enrollment.

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

5. Network Report

Valerie Khaytina provided an update on network initiatives and professional learning. In mid-November, the network team held a two-day in-person convening focused on strengthening cross-team collaboration and engaging deeply with the Strategic Plan, including reflection on individual and collective practices. On the academic side, Hebrew Public hosted a professional development day for academic leaders from all four schools. This fall, the Talent team completed a comprehensive review of hiring and retention data, studied practices at peer organizations, and gathered extensive feedback from school leaders across the network. The first ever Board Leadership Forum will take place on December 10th, with a focus on enrollment, student recruitment, and national and local demographic trends.

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

6. Public Comments

No public comments were received.

7. Adjournment

Ellen Green adjourned the meeting at 6:18 pm. The board will meet next on January 6, 2026.