



Board Meeting Agenda

March 17, 2026, 6 pm

1. Call to Order & Reminder for Public Comment(s) Sign Up
2. Adoption of March 2026 Agenda
3. Approval of February 2026 Minutes & March 10, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes
4. Approval of Amendment to Credit Card Policy within the Financial Policies & Procedures
5. School Report
6. Network Report
7. Public Comments
8. Adjournment



Hebrew Language Academy 2
CHARTER SCHOOL

Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location: Zoom

March 10, 2026, 5 pm

Trustees Present

Mike Tobman
Sue Fox
Joanne Cavanaugh
Will Mack

Also Present:

Katie Passley, Head of School, HLA2

Lauren Murphy, Director of External Relations, Hebrew Public

1. Call to Order

Mike Tobman welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

2. Acknowledgment of Board Chair Resignation

The Board acknowledged receipt of the written resignation of Adam Miller, which had been submitted to the Board Secretary the previous week and was accepted upon receipt. The Board expressed appreciation for Adam's years of service and leadership on the Board.

3. Board Leadership Discussion

The Board discussed leadership of the Board following the Chair's resignation and the need to elect a new Chair to serve in the role.

4. Election of Board Chair

The floor was opened for nominations for the position of Board Chair. Sue Fox made a motion to nominate Mike Tobman to serve as Chair of the Board of Trustees. The motion was seconded by Joanne Cavanaugh. The Board voted unanimously in favor of electing Mike Tobman as Chair of the Board of Trustees. Mike Tobman assumed the role of Board Chair.

5. Adjournment

Mike Tobman adjourned the meeting at 5:10 pm. The board will meet next on March 17, 2026.



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Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location: ZOOM (due to school closure resulting from inclement weather and unsafe travel conditions, the meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held fully remotely.)

February 24, 2026, 6 pm

Trustees Present

Mike Tobman
Sue Fox
Joanne Cavanaugh
Ella Zalkind
Alice Li
Stella Binkevich

Also Present:

Katie Passley, Head of School, HLA2

Michelle Galeotti, Managing Director of School Operations, Hebrew Public

Lauren Murphy, Director of External Relations, Hebrew Public

1. Call to Order

Mike Tobman welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Adoption of February 2026 Agenda

Mike Tobman asked for a motion to adopt the February 2026 meeting agenda. Sue Fox made a motion, and Alice Li seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

3. Approval of January 2026 Meeting Minutes

Mike Tobman asked for a motion to approve the January 2026 meeting minutes. Joanne Cavanaugh made a motion, and Sue Fox seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.



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4. School Leadership Report

Katie Passley presented a PowerPoint update to the Board that included highlights from the school's 100th day of school celebration, including a "100 Words in Hebrew" initiative involving staff and students. An enrollment update was shared, noting that as of February 22, the school has received 304 applications for new seats, exceeding the same point last year, with projections to add sections in most grades.

Key performance indicators were reviewed, including continued efforts to address chronic absenteeism following school breaks, current staffing needs, including a maternity leave social worker position, and internal assessment results showing the school surpassed targets in both ELA and math. Teacher certification compliance was also discussed, with staff currently enrolled in Touro certification programs and recruitment efforts prioritizing certified candidates.

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

5. Network Report

Michelle Galeotti provided an update, noting that the 8th-grade Capstone and Ambassador trip to Israel took place over February break, bringing together students from across the network. Schools have completed interim assessments and are wrapping up winter MAP testing, with instructional teams using data to refine teaching and prepare for the spring evaluation window. Leadership teams are simultaneously advancing staffing structures and recruitment strategies for the upcoming school year, with hiring season underway and interviews and demo lessons in progress. Operationally, Network Ops is supporting HLA2, which has been addressing HVAC and plumbing challenges related to extreme cold weather, with temporary solutions in place and a permanent upgrade planned for summer. Community highlights included the first interschool soccer tournament hosted at HLA, and planning continues for the national Hebrew Public fundraiser at West Side Comedy Club on April 23.

6. Public Comments

No public comments were received.

7. Adjournment

Mike Tobman adjourned the meeting at 6:15 pm. The board will meet next on March 17, 2026.