



Board Meeting Agenda

April 21, 2026, 6 pm

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



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Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location: 2286 Cropsey Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11214, and Zoom

March 17, 2026, 6 pm

Trustees Present

Mike Tobman
Sue Fox
Joanne Cavanaugh
Alice Li
Ella Zalkind

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 the March 2026 Agenda

Mike Tobman made a motion to adopt the March 2026 meeting agenda. Sue Fox seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

3. Approval of February 2026 & March 10, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes

Joanne Cavanaugh made a motion to approve the February 2026 & March 10, 2026 Special Meeting minutes, and Mike Tobman seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.



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4. Approval of Amendment to Credit Card Policy within the Financial Policies & Procedures

Joanne Cavanaugh made a motion to approve the amendment to the Credit Card Policy within the Financial Policies & Procedures. Mike Tobman seconded. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

5. School Leadership Report

Katie Passley presented a PowerPoint update to the Board from a recent student assembly featuring the Zuzu Acrobats, providing an engaging cultural experience through music, dance, and student participation. An enrollment update was shared, noting that as of March 8, the school has received 331 applications and is projecting strong enrollment, with plans to add 10-11 sections next year pending program approval.

Key performance indicators were reviewed, including internal assessment results showing the school exceeded targets in both ELA and math. Ongoing efforts to address attendance were discussed, with current rates at 91% and chronic absenteeism at 36%. Additional updates included a current staffing need for a social worker covering a maternity leave and continued progress toward teacher certification, with staff awaiting licensure and others entering certification programs.

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

6. Network Report

Michelle Galeotti provided an update, noting that Network Operations is currently meeting with each Head of School to review OTSP budget lines in support of FY27 budget development. She shared that Talent has finalized staffing plans aligned with projected enrollment and program goals, which are now guiding hiring targets for the upcoming season, and has completed a compensation analysis comparing teacher salary scales with district peers, with recommendations forthcoming. The FY27 budget development is underway across the network. In recruitment, schools have continued outreach through participation in local Purim events, and a second family mailer has been distributed. The second Board Leadership Forum will take place on March 26 and will focus on academic achievement trends and preparation for state exams.

7. Public Comments

No public comments were received.

8. Adjournment

Mike Tobman adjourned the meeting at 6:12 pm. The board will meet next on April 21, 2026.