



Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda

May 13, 2026, 6:30 pm

1. Call to Order & Public Comment Reminder
2. Adoption of May 2026 Agenda
3. Approval of April 2026 Minutes
4. Approval of 2026-27 School Calendar
5. Approval of 2026-27 Board Calendar
6. Leadership Reports
7. Public Comments
8. Adjournment

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

April 22, 2026, 7 PM

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

Trustees Present

Noemi Zibuts
David Sorkin
Rachel Amar
Anna Maftser
Ernest Paige
Angela Olsen

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

Wayne Rosenfeld, Prospective Board Member

1. Call to Order

David Sorkin made a motion to start the meeting at 7:01 pm.

2. Adoption of the April 2026 Meeting Agenda

David Sorkin asked for a motion to adopt the April 2026 meeting agenda. Anna Maftser made the motion, Ernest Paige seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

3. Approval of the March 2026 Meeting Minutes

David Sorkin asked for a motion to approve the March 2026 meeting minutes. Anna Maftser made the motion, Ernest Paige seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

4. Leadership Report

A collaborative PowerPoint presentation was shared with the Board that provided updates on academics, culture, staffing, and recruitment. Amanda Ainley reported that the school is preparing for upcoming state exams in May, including ELA, math, Hebrew STAMP, and NYSLAT assessments, with ongoing test preparation and efforts to support student motivation through initiatives such as staff and family-written encouragement letters and a planned pep rally. School culture highlights included upcoming Quarter 3 Honor Roll Assemblies and recent community events such as a weather preparedness workshop for families, a visit from the Colgate dental van, field trips, and a well-attended Israel Day celebration. KPI updates indicated that internal assessment goals have been met, with continued focus on improving attendance, which remains below target.

Valerie Khaytina shared recruitment updates that reflected strong application trends and increased family engagement despite broader declines in student population, with enrollment projections trending positively for the upcoming school year.

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

5. Public Comments

There were no public comments made during the meeting.

6. Executive Session

David Sorkin made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss a matter related to proposed or pending litigation. Ernest Paige seconded, and the motion was approved.

David Sorkin made a motion to exit executive session. The Board returned to public session.

The Board considered a proposed settlement related to litigation discussed in executive session. David Sorkin was made to approve the settlement. The motion was seconded by Angela Olsen, and the board approved it unanimously.

7. Adjournment

David Sorkin adjourned the meeting at 7:33 pm. The board will meet next on May 13, 2026.



2026-2027 SIHP Calendar

DRAFT

General Notes:

- September 3: First Day of School (half day)
- June 25: Last Day of School (half day)
- 3:30pm dismissal Monday - Thursday, 1pm dismissal Friday
- Instructional Days: 180

School Closings

September 7: Labor Day

September 21: Yom Kippur

October 12: Indigenous People's Day

November 11: Veterans' Day

November 26 - 27: Thanksgiving Break

December 24 - January 1: Winter Break

January 18: MLK Day

February 15 - 19: Midwinter Break

March 9: Eid-al-Fitr

March 26: Good Friday

March 29: Easter Monday

April 22 - 30: Spring Break

May 17: Eid-al-Adha

May 31: Memorial Day

June 18: Juneteenth

Half Days

September 3: First Day of School, Half Day for Students

September 8: Staff Development Day, Half Day for Students

November 19: Family Conferences, Half Day for Students

November 25: Thanksgiving Break, Half Day for Students

December 23: Winter Break, Half Day for Students

January 28: Family Conferences, Half Day for Students

April 15: Family Conferences, Half Day for Students

April 21: Spring Break, Half Day for Students

June 24: Second to Last Day of School, Half Day for Students

June 25: Last Day of School, Half Day for Students

Remote Days

None, unless DOE calls a Snow/Emergency Day. In the event of a school closure, we will generally follow the DOE and implement a remote school day.

Family Conferences

Q1 Family Conferences: November 19- 20

Q2 Family Conferences: January 28 - 29

Q3 Family Conferences: April 15 - 16

Marking Periods

Marking Period 1: September 3 - November 6

Marking Period 2: November 9 - January 15

Marking Period 3: January 19 - April 2

Marking Period 4: April 5 - June 25

State Testing

NYS ELA/Math/Sci Assessment Window: Monday, April 5 - Friday, May 14

2026-27 Board Meeting Dates

Wednesday, July 15

Wednesday, August 12

Wednesday, September 9

Wednesday, October 14

Wednesday, November 18

Wednesday, December 16

Wednesday, January 20

Wednesday, February 24

Wednesday, March 10

Wednesday, April 14

Wednesday, May 19

Wednesday, June 16

** All meetings will begin at 6:30 pm unless otherwise noted.

2026-27 Committee Meeting Dates

E&A Committee Meetings:

- #1. Wednesday, November 18th *(After the board meeting)*
- #2. Wednesday, February 24th *(After the board meeting)*
- #3. Wednesday, June 16th *(After the board meeting)*

Finance Committee Meetings:

- #1. Wednesday, October 21 at 9 AM
- #2. Wednesday, February 3 at 9 AM
- #3. Wednesday, April 28 at 9 AM
- #4. Wednesday, June 9 at 9 AM