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Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda

July 15, 2026 | 6:30 pm

1. Call to Order & Public Comment Reminder

2. Board Action: Adoption of July 2026 Agenda

3. Board Action: Approval of June 2026 Minutes

4. Leadership Reports

5. Board Action: Approval of Resolution for Charter Renewal, Middle School Expansion, School Name Change, and Additional Facility Lease

6. Public Comments

7. Adjournment

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June 24, 2026, 6:45 PM

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

Trustees Present

Noemi Zibuts
David Sorkin
Rachel Amar
Anna Maftser
Bonita Sussman
Angela Olsen
Wayne Rosenfeld

Others Present:
Amanda Ainley, HOS, Staten Island Hebrew Public
Emily Fernandez, Chief Schools Officer, Hebrew Public
Lauren Murphy, Director of External Relations, Hebrew Public

1. Call to Order

David Sorkin made a motion to start the meeting at 6:35 pm.

2. Adoption of June 2026 Meeting Agenda

David Sorkin asked for a motion to adopt the June 2026 meeting agenda. Noemi Zibuts made the motion, Anna Maftser seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

3. Approval of May 2026 Meeting Minutes

David Sorkin asked for a motion to approve the May 2026 meeting minutes. Noemi Zibuts made the motion, Anna Maftser seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

4. **Approval of 2026/27 Budget**
On June 10, 2026, the Finance Committee met to review the financial projections and proposed budget for the 2026-27 school year. The Committee recommended that the Board adopt the 2026-27 budget as presented. Anna Maftser made a motion to approve the 2026-27 SY Budget. Wayne Rosenfeld seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

5. **Approval of 2026/27 Significant Contracts & Other Operational Spend**
Noemi Zibuts made a motion to approve the Significant Contracts & Other Operational Spend, and Anna Maftser seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

6. **Approval of Amendment to FY2026 Sublease Agreement**
The Board considered an amendment to the FY2026 Sublease Agreement reflecting a reduction in rent for the January–June 2026 period. Bonita Sussman made a motion to approve, Anna Maftser seconded the motion, and it was approved. Noemi Zibuts abstained from the vote.

7. **Approve Board Officer Roles for 2026/27**
David Sorkin asked for a motion to approve the following board officer roles for 2026/27: David Sorkin, Chair; Ernest Paige, Vice-Chair; Noemi Zibuts, Secretary; and Angela Mirizzi-Olsen, Treasurer. Rachel Amar made a motion, Anna Maftser seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

8. **Board Member Term Renewal through June 30, 2029**
David Sorkin made a motion to approve three-year term renewals for Bonita Sussman and Rachel Amar through June 30, 2029. Anna Maftser made the motion, and Wayne Rosenfeld seconded, and it was approved unanimously. Sigalit Grego's board term has come to an end, and she was thanked for her service.

9. **Preview 2026/27 School Safety Plans**
The 26/27 school safety plans will be voted on during the August meeting– as per Section 155.17 of the Commissioner of Education's Regulations, charter schools do have to draft, publicly notice, and adopt a safety plan with a 30-day public comment period. That period will begin on July 1, and the safety plan will be posted to the school's website.

10. **Leadership Report**
A collaborative PowerPoint presentation was shared with the Board that provided updates on staffing, academics, school culture, and enrollment. Amanda Ainley reported that the school is fully staffed with classroom teachers for the 2026–2027 school year, with hiring nearing

completion for the remaining Dean of Culture and Hebrew teacher positions. She highlighted improvements in student attendance, expanded summer learning supports, family engagement events, and continued partnership with UAU. Academic updates included participation in the network's kindergarten civics pilot and other student-led learning initiatives. Amanda also shared enrollment updates, noting 88 registered students for the upcoming school year and a goal of serving approximately 295–300 students in the fall.

Lauren Murphy provided a network update highlighting strong staff retention and recruitment, completion of Open Enrollment with enhanced employee benefits, ongoing summer family engagement efforts to support enrollment, upcoming governance training for trustees, and recent network-wide events, including the National Retreat and the shared 8th-grade Washington, D.C. civics trip.

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

11. Executive Session

David Sorkin made a motion to enter into the Executive Session. Wayne Rosenfeld seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

Emily Fernandez presented the Head of School evaluation and a compensation review.

David Sorkin made a motion to exit the executive session. Noemi Zibuts seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

Upon returning to public session, David Sorkin asked for a motion to approve the Head of School evaluation, including a compensation adjustment. Anna Maftser made the motion, Angela Olsen seconded the motion, and it was approved by the Board.

12. Public Comments

There were no public comments made during the meeting.

13. Adjournment

David Sorkin adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm. The board will meet next on July 15, 2026.