



Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda

July 29, 2021, 6:30 pm

Location: Zoom Meeting

1. Call to Order & Public Comment Reminder
2. Adoption of July 2021 Agenda
3. Approval of June 2021 Minutes
4. Board Action
 - Prospective Board Member(s)
5. Network Update
6. Public Comments
7. Adjournment

**Board of Trustees Annual Meeting
via Zoom**

June 17, 2021 @ 6:30 pm

Minutes

Trustees Present

Noemi Zibuts
David H. Sorkin
Angela Mirizzi-Olsen
Ernest Paige

Others Present:

Jon Rosenberg, CEO, Hebrew Public

Valerie Khaytina, Chief External Officer, Hebrew Public

1. Call to Order

David H. Sorkin opened the meeting at 6:38 pm and reminded everyone in attendance in order to sign up to make a public comment prior to our board meeting, email info@sihebrewpublic.org. Members of the public who missed the public notices were given a chance to sign up during the meeting using the chat function. Members of the board and staff do not typically respond to public comments at the time they are made. However, unanswered questions will be responded to within a few business days.

2. Adoption of the June 2021 Meeting Agenda

David H. Sorkin asked for a motion to adopt, Ernest Paige made a motion to adopt the June 2021 agenda, Noemi Zibuts seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of the April 2021 Meeting Minutes

David H. Sorkin asked for a motion to approve, Noemi Zibuts made a motion to approve the April 2021 meeting minutes, Ernest Paige seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

4. Action Items

a. Approval of 21-22 Pre-Opening Year Budget

Jon Rosenberg, Hebrew Public’s CEO reviewed the budget and answered a few questions from the trustees. David H. Sorkin asked for a motion to approve, Ernest Paige made a motion to approve the 21-22 pre-opening budget. Angela Mirizzi-Olsen seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

b. Approval of 21-22 Board Meeting Dates

After a brief discussion and review of the presented board meeting dates, David H. Sorkin asked for a motion to approve, Noemi Zibuts made the motion to approve the 21-22 board meeting calendar. Angela Mirizzi-Olsen seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

c. Approval of Board Member Renewals through 2024

- i. Ernest Paige

Noemi Zibuts made a motion to renew Ernest Paige’s term as a trustee through 2024. Angela Mirizzi-Olsen seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

d. Approval of Officer Roles

After a discussion, Ernest Paige made a motion to approve the following slate of officers for the 21-22 school year.

- i. David Sorkin, Chair
- ii. Shelley Jain, Vice Chair
- iii. Yelena Sklyar, Treasurer
- iv. Noemi Zibuts, Secretary

Noemi Zibuts seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

5. Network Update

No update was given during this time.

6. Board Nomination Process

Jon Rosenberg walked the trustees through the board member nomination process: The Staten Island Hebrew Public (SIHP) trustees completed a matrix outlining the board’s diversity which included:

- I. Gender
- II. Race
- III. Skillset
- IV. Experience
- V. Connections to different communities
- VI. Professional backgrounds

The SIHP board ideally should have at least nine trustees and now is the perfect time to recruit qualified individuals. The school is in the pre-opening year and there is a lot of excitement building. Proposed Process of on boarding a candidate:

- I. Review Candidates resume
- II. Meet with Jon Rosenberg
- III. Visit one of our schools, spend time there
- IV. Meet Head of School
- V. Meet with David Sorkin
- VI. Reference check (*if board is ready to move forward*)
- VII. The prospective trustee must complete application documents
- VIII. Formal vote from SIHP Board of Trustees
- IX. Submit documents to the state for approval

7. Public Comments

N/A

8. Adjournment

Prior to adjournment, David H. Sorkin acknowledged the historical importance of Juneteenth becoming a federal holiday. Juneteenth commemorates the day when federal troops arrived in Galveston, Texas in 1865 to ensure that all enslaved people were freed. This occurred two and a half years after the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation.

Angela Mirizzi-Olsen suggested the board should get together in person this summer. Jon Rosenberg suggested scheduling a combined site tour of the new building followed by an early dinner. A follow-up email will be sent to the trustees next week.

David H. Sorkin asked for a motion to adjourn. Angela Mirizzi-Olsen made the motion to adjourn at 7:16 pm, Noemi Zibuts seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.