



Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda

August 26, 2021, 6:30 pm

Location: Zoom Meeting

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

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

July 29, 2021, 6 pm

Location: Zoom

Trustees Present

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

Others Present:

Lissette Roman, Head of School, Staten Island Hebrew Public
Valerie Khaytina, Chief External Officer, Hebrew Public
Lauren Murphy, Hebrew Public

1. Call to Order

David H. Sorkin opened the meeting at 6:32 pm. The board gave a big welcome to Lissette Roman, Staten Island Hebrew Public's Founding Head of School! Lissette has been attending the network-wide leadership professional development.

2. Adoption of the July 2021 Meeting Agenda

David H. Sorkin asked for a motion to adopt, Angela Mirizzi-Olsen made a motion to adopt the July 2021 agenda, Ernest Paige seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

3. Approval of the June 2021 Meeting Minutes

David H. Sorkin asked for a motion to approve, Noemi Zibuts made a motion to approve the June 2021 meeting minutes, Yelena Sklyar seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

4. Action Item: Prospective Board Members

All board members received both candidate's resumes ahead of the meeting.

- a. Bonita Sussman

Angela Mirizzi-Olsen spoke about Bonita Sussman. Bonita comes from an Orthodox family. Her husband is a prominent Rabbi on Staten Island. Bonita is an experienced educator with a wealth of knowledge and is very active in the community. She will bring years of talent and understanding of educational philosophy to the board. Bonnie has expressed a lot of excitement about joining the Staten Island Hebrew Public Board.

b. Sigalit Grego

David H. Sorkin spoke about Sigalit Grego. Sigalit is Israeli and is connected to both the Israeli community as well as the Sephardic community on Staten Island. She has a marketing background and works at the JCC where she supervises a senior adult program for over 6,000. She has been recognized for diversifying programs, events and broadening interest and exposure within the community. Sigalit is also very enthusiastic about joining the Staten Island Hebrew Public Board.

After a brief discussion about both Bonita Sussman and Sigalit Grego, and a few clarifying questions from board members, David H. Sorkin made the motion to approve both prospective trustees moving forward with the formal New York State Education Department's application process. Noemi Zibuts seconded the motion. The motion went to a vote, and the board voted all in favor, unanimously with no objections or abstentions.

5. Network Update

No formal update was given during this time.

6. Public Comments

N/A

7. Adjournment

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. The board will meet in person to visit the school site on August 18th at 4 pm.