



Hebrew Language Academy
CHARTER SCHOOL

Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, February 11th

6 PM

2186 Mill Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11234

Minutes

Trustees Present

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| Elly Rosenthal* |
| Shari Lipner |
| Brian Tobin * |
| Ellen Green |
| Alice Li * |
| Stella Binkevich * |

Also Present

Hadar Dohn, Head of School

Emily Fernandez, Hebrew Public Chief Schools Officer

Lyvette Robles, Director of Operations

Mike Leister, Academic Dean

Jason Sutton, 7th & 8th grade Science

4 HLA Community Members

*by video conference

1. Call to Order

Shari Lipner called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm and reminded everyone in attendance to sign up for public comments if they wished to speak.

2. Adoption of Agenda(s)

Ellen Green made a motion to approve the January, February agenda. Elly Rosenthal seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes

Elly Rosenthal 1 made a motion to approve December, January minutes. Brian Tobin seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

4. Leadership Report

Ms. Dohn informed the board of the following:

- Update on student culture: bussing improvements, dismissal behavior improvements, continuing to work on student culture in the school building
- Update on academics: lead up to the state exam, description of the analysis of the IA results
- Update on events: Israel trip, Holocaust survivor event

5. PTO Report

The PTO report contained the following updates:

- Scholastic Book Fair is happening this week in the Music room.
- Flower grams are happening on Friday
- Chocolate sales are ongoing, due Friday 2/26
- Cookies and Canvas rescheduled for 3/1
- Dance classes for Moms during the evening, Weekend event for families - to be scheduled!

6. Public Comments

- Can we incorporate Hatikvah? Can we create a school pledge to build school identity? Can we incorporate the American National Anthem?
- We are glad to see the Pledge of Allegiance reinstated.
- What are the guidelines for MS detention that was just introduced?
- We see there has been a decrease in bus issues since the family meeting and safety contract. How can we have a similar model for the day school culture?

- What are we doing to improve school culture during the day? Students are misbehaving.
- One bus has a new bus driver, there seem to be more issues on this bus. Can this be addressed?

7. Adjournment

Shari Lipner made a motion to adjourn. Ellen Green seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 pm.