

DATE: June 18, 2026



BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

Facilitator: Rachel Buonaiuto

Meeting Minutes: Emily Cochran

BOARD MEMBERS / ATTENDEES PRESENT (present noted in bold):

David DiCiccio

Vivian Ricketts

Rachel Buonaiuto

Katie Cimet

Alexandria Carlson

Jill Boodry

Barbara Carlson

Lorena Galvez

Kelsey Schaulsohn

Emily Cochran

John Rayla

Verna Krishnamurthy

Tony Gardner

Valerie Dupell

Kim Baldasaro

Natalie Bauer

Daniel Acker

Parent/Community/Staff (Non-Board) Attendees: Evan Merck, Anne Dugan, Dan Burke, Charles O'Malley

Call to order, 7:02pm

Public Comment

- Open to Members of Corporation only
- No comments

Rockland Trust Investment Manager Presentation by Dan Burke and Charles O'Malley

- Rockland Trust gave an update to the Board on its investments
- Investments have been up 7% just this year, 18% over the last year, and about 12% year over year since starting working with Rockland.

Board Ice Breaker

Motion to approve May, 2026 meeting minutes

Motion: John

Second: Lorena

In Favor: 11 in Favor. None opposed. 1 Abstain

Board Retreat [Rachel]

- Working to bring the Board together for a Board retreat in the near future. Likely to be in the fall.

Development / Events / Fundraising [Anne, Jill, Kesley]

- Capital Campaign Update
 - A reminder on what it is
 - Purpose – once in a generation specific needs and projects
 - Gifts – large, multi-year pledges
 - Source – donors given in addition to their annual gift
 - Impact – crates permanent, lasting change
 - We have developed a campaign pitch deck / case for support – Anne will be scheduling meetings with board members to review and provide feedback on the deck.
- Board / Staff Dinner Debrief
 - Overall feedback was positive from the Board – felt much better than in past years
 - Liked the assigned seating, venue, food
 - Collecting sizes and preferences on the staff gift and then will order
- Homecoming
 - Shifted t-shirt contest to poster contest – with info going out next week
 - Planning on reaching out to former board members to reach out to their networks
 - Tent – doing some tent research to have a tent in the staff parking lot

Finance [David]

- YTD – tracking with a small positive variance and no large unexpected costs to note
- FY27 Budget Discussion
 - Have made some updates to the budget based on additional information gathered, but no major changes to the bottom line of the budget
 - Updated revenue to be higher in response to increase clarity on enrolment process
 - Slight increase in personnel cost
 - We have decided to include the homecoming in the FY27 operating budget – it will fund itself, so will net out.

Motion to approve the FY27 budget as presented by the Finance Committee

Motion: John

Second: Lorena

In Favor: All

All in Favor. None opposed.

Staff Liaison Report [Viv/Val]

- Staff had a good time at the staff / board dinner, and appreciated people being spread out via the assigned
- Next week – 4 staff members and Barbara are going to a conference in Vermont – they are part of the study group that has been connecting throughout the year

Director's Report [Barbara]

- Next week is the end of our school year, with some students continuing through the summer and some not going through the summer.
- Summer is a really busy time in terms of teacher's time off, so scheduling takes much more time and thought to ensure staff can take their time and children have continuous care. Have been lucky to have some amazing interns this summer.
- Will's departure – he was a valued member of our team and community and will be missed
 - Filling the role is important given what it oversees – both in the immediate and long term. Recommendation is to work with a recruiter to fill the position – likely through the Development Guild.
 - Also thinking about working with someone on a contract basis to support with work needed until we have a full-time hire.
- Enrollment – we are close to being fully enrolled in the fall. Right now, we have two openings in PSII.

Motion to authorize ED to proceed with obtaining a quote external consultant for search for Associate Director

Motion: John

Second: Lorena

In Favor: All

All in Favor. None opposed.

Motion to move to Executive Session at 8:56pm

Motion: Lorena

Second: John

In Favor: All

All in Favor. None opposed.

Adjournment

Motion to close the meeting at 9:15pm

Motion: Lorena

Second: John

In Favor: All

All in Favor. None opposed.