

# M I N U T E S



THOMAS EDISON ENERGYSMART CHARTER SCHOOL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DECEMBER MEETING  
DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

REGULAR MEETING

THE MEETING NOTICE HAS BEEN ADVERTISED IN COURIER NEWS.

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**Date** : December 19, 2018/ 7:30 pm  
**Place** : 150 Pierce St. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Somerset, NJ 08873

**I. Call To Order**

The Regular Board Meeting of Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School is called to order. Time: 7:49 pm

**II. Meeting Notice Announcement**

*The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the rights of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School has caused this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in 'The Courier News'. The Board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.*

**III. Flag Salute**

*I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.*

**IV. Roll Call**

<b>BOARD MEMBERS</b>		<b>P/A</b>
Raif Rustamov (Board President)		E
Keshaw Sahay (Vice President)		E
Stephen Alexis (Board Member)		P
Ashok Munisamy (Board Member)		P
Mehmet Eke (Board Member)		P
Raquel Neri (Board Member)		P

**Also Present:**

Oguz Yildiz (Lead Person)	P
Ilgar Sadigov (Board Secretary)	P

## **I. Public Comment**

*Board President or designee opens the public comment session on any topic. Each person is limited to speak for a period of three (3) minutes and will be asked to give their full name, spell their last name and provide their address. During this portion of the meeting, the public is invited to address the Board with questions or comments on agenda items. While all comments will be considered and a response will be made if and when appropriate, the Board will not respond to speakers at the time of their appearance. Board President or designee closes the public comment session on any topic.*

## **II. Report by Lead Person**

Below is a schedule of the activities that have taken place since the last board meeting:

### ***Saturday, December 1***

- FTC High School Robotics become Finalist Alliance @ Central Jersey
- HS BB game #1 against Cranbury (lost 41-17)

### ***Tuesday, December 4***

- House Celebration BLUE team 9th period Learning Center
- PTO Holiday Shop

### ***Wednesday, December 5***

- AI Summit, World's Number One Artificial Intelligence Summit NY – Yildiz & Robert
- PTO Holiday Shop

### ***Thursday, December 6***

- PTO lunch for teachers
- PTO Holiday Shop

### ***Friday, December 7***

- Cookies with Santa PTO event
- PTO Holiday Shop

### ***Saturday, December 8***

- NJ State Competition for MS Robotics FLL Teams participated (Barnicle/Ilkin)
- TEECS's Open House for interested students/parents

### ***Monday, December 10***

- Early dismissal

### ***Tuesday, December 11***

- HS BB game #2 against Highland Park (lost 29-7)
- MS BB game #2 against Highland Park (lost 23-10)
- HS Debate team received 6th place in the Princeton Classic, an annual speech & debate tournament conducted in Princeton University

### ***Wednesday, December 12***

- MIT ZERO ROBOTICS, HS students (Srikar, Tejaswini, Neel & Ujjayi), team ROBOMIA, participated in Zero Robotics HS competition & were selected as finalists (6th in the world). 14 teams will be selected as finalists at the end. Finals to be held at International Space Station, Astronauts load the code written by team on spheres and test it. Top performing code will be awarded as winner. Team ROBOMIA will be heading to MIT in January to watch their code perform live in ISS.
- Winter Concert for grades K-5
- NJSLA ELA Practice Test

***Thursday, December 13***

- NHS Induction Ceremony
- Winter Concert for grades 6-10
- NJSLA ELA Practice Test

***Friday, December 14***

- PARCC Practice: ELA
- Spelling Bee (K-8) – winner is Kris Chaudhary, 6<sup>th</sup> grade
- Science Olympiad Camp

***Saturday, December 15***

- Science Olympiad Camp

***Sunday, December 16***

- Science Olympiad Camp
- Students in grades K-2, 5 & HS Guitar performed for residents at local senior center, Regency Jewish Heritage Post-Acute Rehab & Nursing Ctr.

***Monday, December 17***

- PARCC Practice: ELA
- Jeopardy grades 2-10
- PTO Meeting – Elem green cleaning training, videos and checklist
- NJSLA Math Practice Test

***Tuesday, December 18***

- NJSLA Math Practice Test
- PARCC Practice: Math
- Geography Bee (3-8) – winner is Vikram Renganathan, 6<sup>th</sup> grade
- MS BB Game #3 against CJ Hawks White – TEECS won 20-17!

***Wednesday, December 19***

- PARCC Practice: Math
- Hallway decorating contest for grades 7-10
- NJSLA Science Practice Test for 8<sup>th</sup> grade

***Thursday, December 20***

- Hallway decorating contest for grades 7-10
- PARCC Practice: Science for 5<sup>th</sup> grade

***Friday, December 21***

- NJSLA Science Practice Test for 8<sup>th</sup> grade only
- Free Holiday/Green Day Dress Down (cleanup)
- Faculty/student volleyball game

***Saturday, December 22***

- HS BB game #4 against MSC Hawks Neon or Monroe Falcons (winner TBD)

***Monday, December 24-Friday, January 4***

- Winter Break

### III. Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the following minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting:

- ❖ Regular Meeting Minutes of November, 2018 (Minute forwarded trustees via email)

Motion# 181219.1 Motioned by: Mr. Alexis							Seconded by: Mr. Munisamy	Passed: Yes
ROLL CALL	R Rustamov	K Sahay	S Alexis	A Munisamy	M Eke	R Neri		
YES			V	V	V			
NO								
ABSTAIN						V		
ABSENT	V	V						

### IV. Financial Section: Mr. Ilgar Sadigov, Board Secretary

**Approval of Bills:** Motion to approve the Bill List from November 29, 2018 to December 19, 2018. No unusual budgetary line item account expenditure. (Attached)

**Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports:** Motion to approve the Board Secretary's and the Treasurer's Reports for month of October and November 2018. (emailed)

WHEREAS, both the Report of the Secretary and the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies are in agreement with the cash balance in the Governmental Funds for month of October and November 2018;

RESOLVED, that the Report of the Secretary and the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies be accepted.

**Transfers:** Motion to approve the list of Transfer of Funds resolution for the period ending November 30, 2018.

RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School that the attached inter appropriation transfer made on the financial records of the Board affecting 2018-2019 budget be affirmed and approved.  
Certification of accounts:

a. **Board Secretary's Cert of Accounts:**

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11, I certify that as of November 30, 2018, no major budgetary line item account expenditure exceeds the amount appropriated by the charter Board of Trustees.

  
Mr. Ilgar Sadigov - Board Secretary

12/19/2018  
Date

b. **Board Certification of Accounts:**

RESOLVED, that after review of the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports for month of October and November 2018, and based upon consultation with and representations of the appropriate officials (Secretary, Treasurer, Business Administrator and Lead Person), the Board of Trustees of Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School has ascertained, to the best of our knowledge and ability, with the information provided, that no major account (Current Expense, Capital Outlay, Debt Service) has been over-expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet the charter's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year, and hereby certifies the charter's financial plan (the budget) as approved is being followed as revealed in the financial reports.

Motion# 181219.2 Motioned by: Mr. Eke							Seconded by: Dr. Neri	Passed: Yes
ROLL CALL	R Rustamov	K Sahay	S Alexis	A Munisamy	M Eke	R Neri		
YES			V	V	V	V		
NO								
ABSTAIN								
ABSENT	V	V						

## V. Human Resources

Motion to approve the recommendation of the Lead Person to approve the following resolution;

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School approves the following bonuses  
\$2000.00 for Mr. Tong additional data analysis duty

\$1000.00 for Ms Johnson for temporary position change. (Replacing Mrs. Araujo as homeroom teacher)

<b>Motion# 181219.3 Motioned by: Mr. Eke</b>				<b>Seconded by: Mr. Munisamy</b>		<b>Passed: Yes</b>	
ROLL CALL	R Rustamov	K Sahay	S Alexis	A Munisamy	M Eke	R Neri	
YES			V	V	V	V	
NO							
ABSTAIN							
ABSENT	V	V					

## VI. Action Items

Motion to approve the recommendation of the Lead Person to approve the following resolution.

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of trustees of Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School has approved Board meeting schedule for 2019

<b>Motion# 181219.4 Motioned by: Mr. Munisamy</b>				<b>Seconded by: Dr. Neri</b>		<b>Passed: Yes</b>	
ROLL CALL	R Rustamov	K Sahay	S Alexis	A Munisamy	M Eke	R Neri	
YES			V	V	V	V	
NO							
ABSTAIN							
ABSENT	V	V					

## VII. Action Items

Motion to approve the recommendation of the Mr. Eke to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School has decided to extend Dr. Neri's term effective 02/01/2019 through 01/31/2022 and Mr. Munisamy's term effective 02/01/2019 through 01/31/2022.

<b>Motion# 181219.5 Motioned by: Mr. Eke</b>				<b>Seconded by: Mr. Alexis</b>		<b>Passed: Yes</b>	
ROLL CALL	R Rustamov	K Sahay	S Alexis	A Munisamy	M Eke	R Neri	
YES			V		V		
NO							
ABSTAIN				V		V	
ABSENT	V	V					

## Adjournment

*Time: 8:08 pm*

<b>Motion# 181219.6 Motioned by: Mr. Eke</b>				<b>Seconded by: Dr. Neri</b>		<b>Passed: Yes</b>	
ROLL CALL	R Rustamov	K Sahay	S Alexis	A Munisamy	M Eke	R Neri	
YES			V	V	V	V	
NO							
ABSTAIN							
ABSENT	V	V					

## Attachments

Previous Meeting Minutes, Bill List, Board Secretary Reports, Treasurers Reports, 2019 Board Meeting Schedule