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THOMAS EDISON ENERGYSMART CHARTER SCHOOL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MAY MEETING
MAY 26, 2021

REGULAR MEETING

THE MEETING NOTICE HAS BEEN ADVERTISED IN COURIER NEWS.

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Date : May 26, 2021/ 7:30 pm

Place : 150 Pierce St. 2nd Floor, Somerset, NJ 08873

I. Call To Order

The Regular Board Meeting of Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School is called to order. Time: 7:39 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

BOARD MEMBERS	P/A
Raif Rustamov (Board President)	P
Keshaw Sahay (Vice President)	P
Stephen Alexis (Board Member)	P
Ashok Munisamy (Board Member)	E
Mehmet Eke (Board Member)	E
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:

Month Long

- ACCESS testing for ESL students

Monday, May 3 - Friday, May 7

- Teacher/Nurses Appreciation week (PTO will provide: bagels on Monday, pizza on Tuesday, kona ice truck on Thursday, snacks on Friday)
- Virtual Art Fair

Monday, May 3 - Friday, May 21

- AP exams

Wednesday, May 6

- Cinco de Mayo (celebrate on May 6th bc 5th students are remote) - students create 4 flipgrid presentations to show during homeroom: 1. Mexican Culture, 2. What is Cinco de Mayo?, 3. Food - cooking show/recipe, 4. Mariachi clip/dance

Friday, May 7

- Virtual Young Women Conference, grades 8-10

Monday, May 10

- Grades 1&2 ELA MAP testing & K ELA Benchmarks

Tuesday, May 11

- Grades 1&2 Math MAP testing & K Math Benchmarks

Wednesday, May 12

- PTO Meeting

Thursday, May 13

- Closed for EID Holiday
- Volleyball game against Passaic Arts & Science CS, Won both sets

Friday, May 14

- Grades K, 1&2 Writing Benchmarks

Saturday, May 15

- RVCC virtual graduation
- Teacher of the Year Nominations due

Monday, May 17

- Start Strong Practice Tests, ELA Grades 3-9
- Volleyball game against Bergen Arts & Science Charter: WON, Set 1: 25-17, Set 2: 25-10

Monday, May 17 - Friday, May 21

- EOY assessments

Tuesday, May 18

- Start Strong Practice Tests, Math Grades 3-7, Algebra-I, Geometry, Algebra-II

Wednesday, May 19

- Virtual K Orientation

Thursday, May 20

- Start Strong Practice Tests, Science Grades 5, 8, and 11
- Staff PD/Early Dismissal
- Junior Achievement (JA) Inspire Virtual Career Fair for grades 7, 8, 10

Friday, May 21

- Green Day/Walk/Bike to School - from Mary Kay to school

Saturday, May 22

- K-2 Science Bowl

Wednesday, May 26

- Volleyball game at Learning Community Charter School in Jersey City
- Schools of Character ceremony - "Honorable Mention"

Friday, May 28

- Jeans for Troops

Monday, May 31

- Closed for Memorial Day

III. Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes

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

- ❖ Regular Meeting Minutes of April, 2021 (Minute forwarded trustees via email)

Motion# 210526.1 Motioned by: Mr. Alexis Seconded by: Dr. Rustamov 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 April 29, 2021 to May 26, 2021. No unusual budgetary line item account expenditure. (Attached)

Motion# 210526.2 Motioned by: Mr. Alexis 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

- a. 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 hiring

Ms. Kristine Kniaziewicz as a full-time Math teacher with benefits with annual salary of \$62,000 effective July 1 2021 through June 30, 2022

Motion# 210526.3 Motioned by: Dr. Neri Seconded by: Mr. Sahay 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		

- c. 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 contract renewals

Elementary School Teachers				
1	Araujo	Robbyn-Sue	Smart Tech and Theaters Arts	FT
2	Callahan	Melissa	Elementary School Math	FT
3	Crystall	Erin	ES LA & SS Teacher	FT
4	Dey	Heather	3rd Grade Math and Science	FT
5	English	Jeanne-Marie	4th Grade	FT
6	Fakhry	Malak	ESL Teacher	FT
7	Gedik	Sahabettin	Turkish	FT
8	Johnson	Kristen	3rd Grade	FT
9	Kon	Magdalena	LA & SS Teacher	FT
10	Lindenbaum	Courtney	1st Grade	FT
11	Patel	Riddhi	Elementary School Math Teacher	FT
12	Patil	Namrata	Science Teacher	FT
13	Routray	Bijayini	Full time Substitute & Hindi	FT

14	Soares	Victoria	Elem. School PE	FT
15	Taberna	Stephanie	Elementary School Teacher (K)	FT
16	Walters	Laura	2rd Grade	FT
Middle School Teachers				
17	Micale	Kyle	SS Teacher	FT
18	Obeng	Samuel	Computer Teacher	FT
19	Stevens	Amanda	LA Teacher	FT
High School Teachers				
20	Abdala	Mona	Art Teacher	FT
21	Ahmad	Said	Business Teacher	PT
22	Altayli	Kursad	High School Math	FT
23	Bhattad	Shrijaya	High School Math	FT
24	Gross	Colin	LA Teacher	FT
25	Kong	Rebecca	Math Teacher	FT
26	Martinez	Deysi	Spanish teacher	FT
27	Ozer	Halil	Computer Teacher	FT
28	Patel	Jignasha	High School Science	FT
29	Supple	Alyssa	LA Teacher	FT
30	Taylor	Elena	Music Teacher	FT
31	Tong	Huseyin	Math Instructional Coordinator	FT
32	Vendemia	Victoria	High School LA	FT
33	Vetere	Anthony	PE Teacher	FT
34	Yeung	Gabriel	Science	PT
Substitute Teachers				
35	Azofeifa	Hannah	Substitute Teacher	FT
36	Hasani	Ada	Substitute Teacher	FT
37	Marmolejos	Elizabeth	Substitute Teacher	FT
38	Ozatalay	Aysenur	Substitute Teacher	FT
39	Patel	Neelam	Substitute Teacher	PT
40	Payne	Justine	Substitute Teacher	FT
41	Ricks	Shanta	Substitute Teacher	FT
42	Santhanakrishnan	Sasikala	Substitute Teacher	PT
Special Ed. Teacher				
43	Fasciano	Andrea	Resource Room	FT
44	Hannon Dutton	Kimberly	Resource Room	FT
45	Khomyak	Romana	Resource Room	FT
46	Mukherjee	Aindrila	Resource Room	FT
Teacher's Aide				
47	Bektas	Birsen	Teachers Aide	FT
48	Salib	Nermeen	Teachers Aide	FT

Lead Person				
49	Yildiz	Oguz	Lead Person	FT
Professional Staff				
50	Aydos	Yucel	Project Coordinator	FT
51	Ghosh	Maya	Curriculum Supervisor	FT
52	Govindaraju	Rajasri	Academic Supervisor for Curriculum and Special Education	FT
53	Hascup	Diana	Activity Coordinator	FT
Business Office				
54	Guliyev	Ilkin	Assistant to BA/HR	FT
55	Sadigov	Ilgar	SBA	FT
IT				
56	Cakir	Ahmet	IT Assistant/Robotics Coach	FT
57	Kurtulus	Abdurrahman	IT Manager	FT
Secterial Clerical				
58	Allison	Jeannette	Administrative Assistant	FT
59	Graf	Jessica	Main Office Sec. / Enrollment Coord.	FT
Custodial				
60	Karaguduk	Abdulgafur	Custodian	FT
61	Kelly	Kathleen	Lunch Aide	PT
62	Kochan	Medine	Custodian	FT
63	Rooney	Colleen	Lunch Aide/Recess Aide	PT
64	Sanchez	Mario	Custodian/Hallway Monitor	FT
Security				
65	Bailly	Mathew	Security	PT
66	Bauman	Damian	Security	FT
67	Gargas	Nicolas	Safety & Security Coordinator	FT
68	Texas	William	Security	PT
Nurse				
69	Thompson	Jennifer	Nurse	FT

Motion# 210526.4 Motioned by: Mr. Sahay Seconded by: Mr. Alexis 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		

- c. 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 approve the following resignations as of June 30 2021

Rahman	Tawheed	Social Studies Teacher	FT
Omer	Turk	Guidance Counselor	FT

Motion# 210526.5 Motioned by: Dr. Neri Seconded by: Mr. Sahay 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		

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 the acceptance of following grants:

- NJSIG safety Grant in the amount of \$3106.00

Motion# 210526.6 Motioned by: Mr. Alexis 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		

Adjournment

Time: 8:01 PM

Motion# 210526.7 Motioned by: Mr. Sahay 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		

Attachments

Previous Meeting Minutes

Bill List

Ms. Kristine Kniaziewicz Resume