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THOMAS EDISON ENERGYSMART CHARTER SCHOOL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

JANUARY MEETING
JANUARY 26, 2022

REGULAR MEETING

THE MEETING NOTICE HAS BEEN ADVERTISED IN COURIER NEWS.

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Date : January 26, 2022/ 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: 7:46 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)	E
Keshaw Sahay (Vice President)	P
Stephen Alexis (Board Member)	P
Ashok Munisamy (Board Member)	P
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:

Saturday, January 1 - Saturday, January 15 - College Application Deadlines, Regular Decision

Monday, January 3 - Friday, January 7 - virtual instruction

Monday, January 3 - Wednesday/Thursday, January 5/6 - Portfolio appeals grade 12

Saturday, January 8 - Senior Night BB game Prudential Center

Monday, January 10 - Friday, January 14 - virtual instruction

Thursday, January 13 - Staff PD/Early Dismissal

Sunday, January 16 - Model UN, Arnav Lakhia received the Outstanding Delegate (2nd Place) award at a recent international conference with the "Best Delegate" Organization. He represented Cuba in a Cybersecurity Committee, and debated with experienced delegates to create a realistic solution to address cyberthreats

Monday, January 17 - Closed for MLK Holiday

Tuesday, January 18 - Friday, January 28 - MAP ELA & Math grades K-2

Wednesday, January 19 - Virtual PTO meeting

Thursday, January 20 - HS Varsity BB - second win of the season! Defeated College Achieve Charter School with a score of 45-37. High scorers: Devin Nunez (15 pts), Brandon Gilpin (12 pts), Xavier Osei-Poku (9 pts), Robert Jones (9 pts)

Friday, January 21 - Green Day - water conservation

Saturday, January 22 - In-Person Open House 9am-11am

Saturday, January 22 - FTC - 5 Matches = 5 Wins TEECS ranked first place at today's tournament, currently 2nd place overall Central Jersey FTC Robotics League.

Monday, January 24 - HS Varsity BB - Great Oaks Legacy Charter School

Monday, January 24 - Friday, January 28 - School Choice Week

Wednesday, January 26 - Public Speaking class performing Ted Talks (Ms. Shek)

III. Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes

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

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

Motion# 220126.1 Motioned by: Mr. Munisamy Seconded by: Dr. Neri 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 December 16, 2021, to January 26, 2022. No unusual budgetary line-item account expenditure. (Attached)

FY22 Revised Budget:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School has approved the revised budget for 2021-2022 school year.

Transfers: Motion to approve the list of Transfer of Funds resolution for the period ending December 31, 2021.

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 2021-2022 budget be affirmed and approved.

Motion# 220126.2 Motioned by: Mr. Alexis 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		

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 hiring

Ms. Corrienne Conti as a full-time School Counselor with benefits with annual salary of [REDACTED] effective January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022 (resume emailed)

Ms. Gretchen Long as a full-time School Counselor with benefits with annual salary of [REDACTED] effective February 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022 (resume emailed)

Ms. Frances Rey as a full-time Spanish teacher with benefits with annual salary of [REDACTED] effective January 10, 2022 through June 30, 2022 (resume emailed)

Ms. Judi Wedderburn as a full-time Business Teacher with benefits with annual salary of [REDACTED] effective February 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022 (resume emailed)

Ms. Kimberly Morales as a part-time Recess Aide without benefits with per diem salary of [REDACTED] effective January 31, 2022 through June 30, 2022 (resume emailed)

- b. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School approve the following resignations

Said	Ahmad	Business Teacher	as of 01/21/22	PT
Jennifer	Denard	School Counselor	as of 01/14/22	FT
Malak	Fakhry	ESL Teacher	as of 02/28/22	FT
Phalisha	Negron Negron	Spanish Teacher	as of 11/12/21	FT

Motion# 220126.3 Motioned by: Mr. Munisamy 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 Annual SEMI Waiver for 2022-2023 school year

Motion# 220126.4 Motioned by: Dr. Neri 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		

VII. Action Items

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School has decided to extend Dr. Raquel Neri and Mr. Ashok Munisamy's term effective 02/01/2022 through 01/31/2025

Motion# 220126.5 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		

VIII. Action Items

Motion to approve the recommendations of the Lead Person to engage a vendor to provide Food Services and the School Business Administrator has recommended that TEECS solicit Request for Proposal from qualified firms interested in providing such services and has recommended that the Board of Trustees select such a vendor through a RFP process; and the Board of Trustees finds that it is in the best interest of TEECS to accept such recommendations.

Motion# 220126.6 Motioned by: Dr. Neri Seconded by: Mr. Munisamy 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: 8:04 PM

Motion# 220126.7 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		

Attachments

Previous Meeting Minutes
Budget Transfer

Bill List
Resumes

Revised Budget