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THOMAS EDISON ENERGYSMART CHARTER SCHOOL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

NOVEMBER MEETING
NOVEMBER 20, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

THE MEETING NOTICE HAS BEEN ADVERTISED IN THE COURIER NEWS.

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REGULAR MEETING

Date : November 20, 2024/ 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: 7:37 PM

II. Meeting Notice Announcement

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure 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)		E
Ashok Munisamy (Board Member)		E
Mehmet Eke (Board Member)		P
Raquel Neri (Board Member)		P

Also Present:

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

V. 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.

VI. Report by Lead Person

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

NOVEMBER

Friday, November 1

- off for Diwali

Tuesday, November 5

- virtual PTO meeting
- Election Day: half day, no extended care

Wednesday, November 6

- Picture Day make-ups/staff photo

Thursday, November 7

- Zoom parent Info Session, 5-630pm, hosted by Princeton Review for grades 7-12, Topic: SAT, ACT
- final fun practice for HS volleyball, 4-6pm
- Student Council Speeches

Friday, November 8

- Diwali PTO event, 4-8pm, 8-9pm cleanup - 6 tables in gym
- Q1 ends
- Diwali dress down
- PSAT

Monday, November 11

- 2nd Q begins
- Red, White & Jeans Day \$5 dress down

Monday, November 11 - Friday, November 15

- Fall book fair

Monday, November 11 - Friday, November 22

- Holiday Food Drive - HR with the most donations receives free dress down

Wednesday, November 13

- HS counseling session for 9th graders

Friday, November 15

- Green Day (recycles)

Monday, November 18

- 1st Q awards

Tuesday, November 19

- Zoom Parent Info Session, 8-930pm, hosted by Princeton Review for grades 7-12, Topic: Admissions Terms
- 19 - NASA team meeting @ 11am

Tuesday, November 19 - Thursday, November 21

- ED/Parent Teacher Conferences

Thursday, November 21

- Virtual baking Pumpkin Pie class with the PTO, 6-8pm

Thursday, November 21 - Sunday, November 24

- Model UN Conference

Friday, November 22

- Virtual Guidance K-6 parent workshop event

Monday, November 25

- SNHS physics night, volleyball tournament, 5pm, JPatel

Tuesday, November 26

- NHS induction ceremony, 110pm in LC
- Staff potluck 330-4pm cafeteria

Wednesday, November 27

- ED/no clubs or EC
- End of Coat Drive

Thursday, November 28

- school closed for Thanksgiving

VII. Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes

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

- ❖ Regular Meeting Minutes of September 2024 (Minutes forwarded to trustees via email)

Motion# 241120.1	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
NO						
ABSTAIN	V	V				
ABSENT			V	V		

VIII. Financial Section: Mr. Ilgar Sadigov, Board Secretary

Approval of Bills: Motion to approve the Bill List from September 25, 2024, to November 20, 2024. No unusual budgetary line-item account expenditure. (Attached)

a. Board Secretary's Cert of Accounts:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11, I certify that as of November 2024, no major budgetary line-item account expenditure exceeds the amount appropriated by the charter Board of Trustees.


Mr. Ilgar Sadigov - Board Secretary

11/20/2024
Date

Motion# 241120.2	Motioned by:			Seconded by:		Passed:	
ROLL CALL	R Rustamov	K Sahay	S Alexis	A Munisamy	M Eke	R Neri	
YES	V	V			V	V	
NO							
ABSTAIN							
ABSENT			V	V			

IX. Human Resources

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School approves the following payments

- Mrs. Araujo Robbyn-Sue for coordinating the Green Team in the amount of [REDACTED]
- Ms. Goyal Ekta for teaching Kindergarten (maternity leave replacement) classes in the amount of [REDACTED]
- Ms. Pampo Gabriella for teaching PE classes in the amount of [REDACTED]
- Ms. Hasani Ada for Assisting Nurse in the amount of [REDACTED]
- Mr. Vetere Anthony for coaching middle school basketball team in the amount of [REDACTED]

Motion# 241120.4	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			

X. 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 FY25 MOA Between TEECS and Law Enforcement Officials (Attached).

Motion# 241120.5	Motioned by: Mr. Eke			Seconded by: Dr. Rustamov		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			

XI. 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 decided to increase Clarity Benefits to \$3200 for single and \$6400 for families.

Motion# 241120.6 Motioned by: Mr. Sahay Seconded by: Mr. Eke 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			

XII. 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 decided to pay a one-time bonus of \$2000 for all full-time employees and \$1000 for part-time employees at the last payroll of December 2024 as part of ERC program.

Motion# 241120.7 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			

XIII. 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 approve the FY25 Annual Charter School Fiscal Questionnaire (emailed)

Motion# 241120.7 Motioned by: Dr. Neri Seconded by: Mr. Eke 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			

XIV. 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 2025 (emailed)

Motion# 241120.7 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			

Adjournment

Time: 8:11 PM

Motion# 241120.8 Motioned by: Mr. Sahay Seconded by: Mr. Eke 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

MOA

Annual Charter School Fiscal Questionnaire

Annual Board Meeting Schedule