

# M I N U T E S



THOMAS EDISON ENERGYSMART CHARTER SCHOOL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SEPTEMBER MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 25, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

THE MEETING NOTICE HAS BEEN ADVERTISED IN THE COURIER NEWS.

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**Date** : September 25, 2024/ 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: 7:34 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**

<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

## **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:

### **SEPTEMBER**

#### **Monday, September 2**

- no school - Labor Day

#### **Tuesday, September 3**

- HS Girls Volleyball game @ 4pm @ TEECS

#### **Tuesday, September 3 - Friday, September 6**

- early dismissal days

#### **Wednesday, September 4**

- PTO virtual meeting

#### **Friday, September 6**

- PTO Ice Cream Social, 2-4pm

#### **Monday, September 9 - Friday, September 13**

- Suicide Prevention week - counselors plan events

#### **Tuesday, September 10**

- HS Girls volleyball game @ 430pm @ TEECS

#### **Wednesday, September 11**

- 9/11 Remembrance - Red, White & Blue dress down, 4-8 assembly with student speakers
- Sports media picture day, 4pm, Mrs. Rooney

#### **Monday, September 16**

- Green day - World Cleanup Day

#### **Wednesday, September 18 - Thursday, September 19**

- BTS nights
- 9/18 - Back to School Night K-2 & 9-12 (5-7pm)
- 9/19 - Back to School Night 3-6 & 7-8 (5-7pm)

#### **Friday, September 20**

- Picture day

#### **Saturday, September 21**

- Volleyball game vs. Keyport - 8:30am-1pm

#### **Sunday, September 22**

- FTC event

#### **Saturday, September 28**

- Franklin Day - robotics table

## VII. Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes

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

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

<b>Motion# 240925.1</b>	<b>Motioned by:</b>	Mr. Munisamy	<b>Seconded by:</b>	Mr. Eke	<b>Passed:</b>	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				

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

**Approval of Bills:** Motion to approve the Bill List from August 29, 2024, to September 24, 2024. 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 the month of May and June 2024. (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 the month of June 2024;

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 June 2024.

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 the 2023-2024 budget be affirmed and approved.

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

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

  
Mr. Ilgar Sadigov - Board Secretary

09/25/2024  
Date

### b. **Board Certification of Accounts:**

RESOLVED, that after review of the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports for month of May and June 2024, 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.

<b>Motion# 240925.2</b>	<b>Motioned by:</b>	Mr. Eke	<b>Seconded by:</b>	Mr. Alexis	<b>Passed:</b>	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				

## IX. 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 hirings

**Ms . Diddi Shalina** as a full-time Science Teacher with benefits with an annual salary of [REDACTED] effective September 12, 2024, through June 30, 2025 (resume emailed)

**Ms . Ayesha Jabeen Subhan** as a part-time Hindi teacher without benefits with per diem salary of [REDACTED] per day effective September 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025 (resume emailed)

**Ms . Diksha Rai** as a part-time Science teacher (HS) without benefits with per diem salary of [REDACTED] effective September 23, 2024, through June 30, 2025 (resume emailed)

Extension of **Ms . Arlenny Paulino Romero's** contract as a full-time Custodian with benefits with an annual salary of [REDACTED] effective October 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025 (resume emailed)

<b>Motion# 240925.3</b> Motioned by: Mr. Eke      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					

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

- Ms. Patel Neelam for teaching ES PE and Computer classes in the amount of \$14,040 (\$15 x 26 hrs./week x 36 weeks)
- Mrs. Bayram Zeliha for teaching ESL classes in the amount of \$10,800 (\$10 x 30 hrs./week x 36 weeks)

<b>Motion# 240925.4</b> 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					

## 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 Coordinated Transportation Services Agreement between Somerset County Educational Services Commission and TEECS (Attached).

<b>Motion# 240925.5</b> Motioned by: Mr. Eke      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					

## **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 approved the FY25 ESCNJ Coordinated Services Agreement (Attached).

<b>Motion# 240925.6</b> 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					

## **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 approved FY25 TEECS Professional Development Plan (Attached)

<b>Motion# 240925.7</b> 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	V	
NO							
ABSTAIN							
ABSENT	V	V					

## **Adjournment**

***Time: 8:00 PM***

<b>Motion# 240925.8</b> Motioned by: Mr. Eke      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

Bill List

Board Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Resumes

Professional Development Plan

ESCNJ Coordinated Services Agreement

FY25 Coordinated Transportation Services Agreement between Somerset County Educational Services Commission and TEECS