

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE THOMAS A. EDISON CHARTER SCHOOL OF WILMINGTON, INC.**

February 24, 2020

THOMAS A. EDISON CHARTER SCHOOL

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

Upon notice to all directors and posting of public notice, a meeting of the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of the Thomas A. Edison Charter School of Wilmington, Inc. (the “School”) was held on February 24, 2020.

Directors	Present	Absent
Hal Blocksom		X
Emile Brown	X	
Richard Burruss		X
Mikkel Christie	X	
Wayne Cooper	X	
Nicole Huffner	X	
Ollie Johnson	X	
Christine Kirkland		X
Ami Patel	X	
Roopa Sabesan	X	
Joseph Till		X

THERE WAS A QUORUM OF THE BOARD

The following people were also present:

- 1. Principal EL**
- 2. Vice Principal Yates**
- 3. Patricia Winder**
- 4. John Shelton**

Mr. Christie called the February 24, 2020 meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Christie called for a motion to accept the January 27, 2020 minutes. The motion was made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Huffner. The motion was approved by all and carried.

Public Comments –

- Parent – No Comments
- Teacher – No Comments
- General Public – No Comments

School Report by Principal EL

Principal EL reported he Saturday Academy is having a very good attendance and there are 2 sessions remaining. In addition, some students are being taught an advanced curriculum.

20th Anniversary planning is underway. The contract at the Riverfront venue has been confirmed, committees are being formed and lots of things are in motion. Vice Principal Yates stated invitations will be going out soon and asked the board for names of people they would like invited.

The Chess Team is preparing to compete for the National Junior High Chess Championship at the end of April in Jacksonville, FL.

Some of our 8th graders have been accepted into the following private schools on scholarships: St. Elizabeth's, Ursuline, Wilmington Friends and Salesianum. We are still waiting on notification from Girard College, Charter School of Wilmington, Magnet and the Vo-Tech schools.

Our Girls on the Run Club begins in March. We have 20 girls participating and the program will culminate with a 5K in Wilmington on May 9th.

The building was disinfected and sanitized during President's weekend due to the large number of students and staff who are sick with the flu and other viruses. Three students have been hospitalized with the flu and one staff member.

The second boiler has been repaired so both boilers are now up and running. All heating and piping issues have been repaired and/or addressed. Principal EL stated he would like to meet

with the Operations Committee to discuss other options for heating and cooling that would eliminate the constant repairs.

Mr. Christie called for a motion to accept the School Report. A motion was made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Huffner. The motion was approved by all and carried.

School Financials by P. Winder

Mrs. Winder reported that at the end of January there was \$9m in revenues. This was made up primarily of the Unit formula received from the state in the amount of \$4.6m and the District Funding of \$3.1m. Expenses as of January 30 were approximately \$5.8m and we have approximately \$3.2m of cash flow. We are expecting at the end of the year to come out pretty much even with a net excess of approximately \$13,000. That shows we must watch expenses so that nothing comes up to take us in another direction. We received CSD funds to the total of \$82,000 and according to Kendal, this is something that is supposed to be ongoing.

Mr. Christie called for a motion to accept the School Financial Report. The motion was made by Ms. Patel, and seconded by Mr. Johnson. The motion was approved by all and carried.

Board Financials Report by Mr. Cooper

Mr. Cooper reported on the Statement of Accounts: M&T Advanced Business Checking Ending Balance \$202,391.56; and M&T Money Market \$601,095.37

Mr. Christie called for a motion to accept the Board Financials Report. The motion was made by Ms. Sabesan, and seconded by Mr. Brown. The motion was approved by all and carried.

Achievement Committee Report by W. Cooper

No Formal Report.

Personnel Committee Report by R. Sabesan

No Formal Report.

Operations Committee Report by E. Brown

No Formal Report.

Executive Committee by M. Christie

Mr. Christie stated dates are being looked at for the Board Retreat.

Principal EL talked about the Saturday Academy Program. Staff has not received a raise in several years and a request of an overall total of \$300 staff increase was discussed. Mr. Brown made a motion to amend the 2019/2020 budget to include the \$300 Saturday Academy staff increase. The motion was seconded by Ms. Patel, approved by all and carried.

Board Member Comments

No Comments.

New Business/Open Discussion

No Comments

Mr. Christie made a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting at 6:50pm. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brown, approved by all and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Amanda Morris May

March 10, 2020