

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

March 20, 2023

**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 March 20, 2023.

Directors	Present	Absent
Hal Blocksom		X
Emile Brown	X	
Mikkel Christie	X	
Wayne Cooper		X
Nicole Huffner		X
Ollie Johnson	X	
Ami Patel	X	
Roopa Sabesan		X

THERE WAS A QUORUM OF THE BOARD

The following people were also present:

- 1. Principal EL**
- 2. Liz Yates**
- 3. Patricia Winder**
- 4. John Shelton**
- 5. Robyn Neal**

Mr. Christie called the March 20, 2023 meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Christie called for a motion to accept the February 27, 2023 minutes. The motion was made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mrs. Patel. 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 2nd trimester ends on Wednesday, March 22nd. Report cards will be distributed on Wednesday, April 5th and Thursday, April 6th.

The Chess Team is preparing for the High School National Chess Championship in Washington, DC from March 30th to April 2nd.

Spring Break begins on Thursday, April 7th and school resumes on Monday, April 17th.

Smarter Balance (SBAC) Math and ELA state testing for grades 3-8 will begin on April 25th. Science (Grades 5 and 8) state testing will be held on April 19th and Social Studies (Grades 4, 6, and 8) state testing will happen May 9th.

We submitted our draft school improvement plan to DDOE and we are awaiting feedback.

Statewide Delaware is completing another round of lead testing in the water of school buildings. Our testing was completed and we are awaiting the results.

Service Unlimited inspected boilers and it went well. We will need to replace motors on both.

Delcollo will need to upgrade electric panel before plumber can install larger water heater.

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

School Financials by P. Winder

Mrs. Winder reported all local funds have been received but we are still waiting for the additional unit count formula funds in the amount of \$177,000. We are pretty much living off of the Federal funds. We spent \$43,000 in URSA funds and we are expecting to spend more to be in the black. Without using those funds there is a possibility of a deficit but we are watching and ensuring we use grant funds whenever possible. In February we received \$145,000 in revenue. We spent approximately \$667,000 and we have approximately \$2M on hand cash left to spend.

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

Board Financials Report by W. Cooper

No Formal Report

Operations Committee Report by E. Brown

No Formal Report

Ms. Yates gave an update on the Modular. They are awaiting another approval from the City of Wilmington. Also, the sales team is working on the numbers.

Mrs. Winder gave an update on the gym floor stating the Facilities Manager is taking care of condensation/leaking pipes before going forward.

Executive Committee by M. Christie

Mr. Christie stated the Executive Committee meeting was canceled and will be rescheduled therefore, No Formal Report. Top priority is to focus on having a full Board, resolve Principal EL's contract and review the budget with Mrs. Winder.

Board Member Comments

New Business/Open Discussion

Principal EL stated there are five to six buses that are frequently late in the afternoon and a few frequently late in the mornings. He suggests looking at alternative supplemental transportation to better service our children.

Mr. Brown suggested having Ivan Thomas of TV28 come to the school in preparation of the upcoming Chess tournament.

A motion to adjourn at 7:05 pm was made by Mr. Brown and seconded by Mr. Johnson. The motion was approved by all and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Amanda Morris May

March 28, 2023