

Teaneck Community Charter School Board of Trustees

Minutes from Meeting: November 12 2018

Meeting called to order: 7:04 pm

Open Public Meetings Act notice read by Shelley Eleby

Attendance

Board Members Present

Julie Elliott	Misha Simmonds	
Kimberley Capers	Genevieve Nikolsky	Yvette Skaff (ex-officio)
Shelley Eleby		Renee Karibi-Whyte

Board Members Absent

Jeff Parsons
Themba Johnson

Administrators Present

Ralph Gallo	Thomas Jazwinski	Sonia Torres
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Also Present:

Two parents and Ms. Leandra, Mr. T

- **Approval of Minutes from October 8 , 2018**

Moved by Simmonds, seconded by Capers.

Voice vote; motion carried.

PARCC RESULTS

- Mr. Gallo presented the PARCC RESULTS from the 2017-2018 school year with additional Teaneck district data. Most TCCS results were above the Teaneck district.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Enrollment update - currently at full enrollment of 324 - waiting list is over 400 people. Currently there are no vacancies.
- Lottery update - Lottery will be on January 11th. No advertising yet and 108 applications have been received already. Lottery will be digital.

- There will be an Open House Thursday at 6:30pm. Another open house will be held on December 8th at 10am.
- Commissioner's visit - Dr. Repollet visited TCCS on October 12th. He met with student ambassadors that did a great job. Commissioner connected with the students and teachers. After the afternoon listening session he said that he was impressed and that TCCS is truly a community school and is following the school's mission. Mr. Gallo was very proud of all the community members that participated. It was a great day for TCCS. Waiting for the commissioner's report from the visit.
- Facility update -- two water heaters were replaced, new LED lighting fixture being added in food service area/kitchen. Seeking proposals for snow removal and roof repairs. Playground inspection is coming up. Working with the TCSCO on getting new playground equipment. Will be getting more security cameras.
- HIB Update - There was an investigation conducted during the month of October and it was decided that there was an HIB incident. Incident was dealt with appropriately.

OLD BUSINESS

- FTTC/Construction Update- Mr. Edward Pierce discussed the building construction. 95% of foundation is complete. Slab of connector area is done and half the slab of the gym is complete. Next step is for the steel to arrive which should be happening soon. The Creative Arts Suite is up to date and more will be done when more is completed outside. Will be building a box in all purpose room to be able to break through wall.
- Kindergarten Suite - Reconfigure into 3 rooms for three classes of 15 to accommodate additional 9 students. Janitor's room will be converted to additional 1-2 classroom. Design drawings done by Thanksgiving. Bidding in December. Then construction can begin.
- Board Retreat will be December 1st at 8am to determine board goals and training for the year.

NEW BUSINESS

- Committee Updates - Governance set calendar for the year and timing of evaluations - surveys, etc. Set some goals - building pipeline of board candidates, review grievance policy. Finance committee will meet in December to talk about construction budget with Friends of TCCS. Curriculum committee will meet second week of December. Communication committee will be meeting once more is loaded into the new website.
- Board Vacancy - The board is currently at 8 members with one position open. There will be a modified application for interested community members to apply. Information will be communicated to the community.

PRESENTATION OF THE RESOLUTIONS

Public Comment - General: none

Public Comments - Resolutions: Background provided on pending resolutions.

Resolutions:

1811-01 - Budget Summary

- Moved by Karibi-Whyte ; seconded by Elliott . Roll call vote; resolution carries.

1811-02- SBA Finance (July 2018)

- Moved by Capers ; seconded by Simmonds. Roll call vote; resolution carries.

1811-03 - Personnel Appointment (Substitute Teacher)

- Moved by Karibi-White ; seconded by Simmonds . Roll call vote; resolution carries.

1811-04 - Personnel Appointment (Extracurricular)

- Moved by Nikolsky; seconded by Elliott. Roll call vote; resolution carries.

1811-05 - Closed Session

- Moved by Simmonds, seconded by Capers. Roll call vote; resolution carries.

Closed session to discuss special education litigation and labor relations begun at 7:50pm

Closed session ended at 8:29pm

Meeting Adjourned at 8:29 pm