

# Teaneck Community Charter School Board of Trustees

Minutes from Meeting: April 18, 2022

In Person

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Meeting called to order: 708pm by Julie Mitchell

Open Public Meetings Act notice read by Julie Mitchell

## **Attendance**

### Board Members Present

Julie Elliott - absent

Yvette Gonzalez

Xiomara Hadnot

Anthony McGilchrist

Keisha Carter

Kirk Mitchell

Julie Mitchell

Doug Anderson- absent

### Administrators Present

Ralph Gallo

Sonia Torres

Kristina Anders

\*present for a portion of the meeting

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**Student Council: \$312 raised for Ukraine!**

**Curriculum Presentation ELA + Math:**

**Lori Stuart: k - 2 data analyzed via super kids**

**Data looks good but supplemental supports are still available. Small group instructions available during BOOST.**

**Assessment for 3 - 8 are different. Teachers College Reading + Writing**

5th - 8th grade showed Sept - January below grade level. We are now seeing a lot of growth.

Non-Fiction - significant below grade level. IXL is being used to support. Created new support for At Risk students. They are looking to hire an interventionist

Looking to implement a comprehensive program - called Into Reading. Teachers are happy with the program. 7-8 Into Literature

Being implemented in 2022 - 2023 school year. Looking to start training teachers this year. 2022. Tutoring - would circulate internally

Adam Fleishcer - MATH DATA

BEenchmark assessment - All grades made dramatic improvements from September to present.

Basic Skills Math

Boost groups

Enrollment Updated: 351 - full

NJSLA 2022 - dates in May (get from Gallo)

Charter + Renaissance PProject Emergent + Capital Maintenance Fund: DOE + Governor's budget for 2022 - They decided to take \$5 million to distribute to Charter Schools. We can get up to \$27K for building improvements. Using the funds for 2 - 3 different projects, depending on the cost.

1. Reinforcing Gym lights (safety harnesses) Maybe \$5K to \$10K

2. Basketball court resurface / Issues with puddles / Cracks - Playground Improvements

3. If additional funds - replacing blinds in the 1 / 2 wing

Hope to get a similar amount next year as well.

Monies must be spent by June 30, 2022

Xiomara: Could be used for playground equipment - we can see what the needs are with TCSCO

Xiomara: Do we have a # of parents that opt out their kids for NJSLA / RG: we encourage parents to take the test.

Spring Musical Recap:

Mr Keitel: Very successful production. We sold 700 tickets. Great come back. The team was amazing - Ms Abbie, CJ and Ms Lyn. Lots of parent involvement.

Ms Torres: Spring Pep Rally. It was great. Tomorrow we have a Mental Health event. We have Strategic Planning on Wednesday. LGBTQ Presentation for 4th - 8th grades.

RG: Annual Budget Presentation: 2022 - 2023:

Overall revenue is up for the next year. Which is great, no cuts or adjustments.

Particularly now we have more funds to work with. Adding 9 students contributes to this

as well. Increase in local levy. \$500K is what we are working with this year. Traditionally we would have around \$127K.

**General Summary:**

**\$7,272,089 General Fund**

**\$127,000 ESEA, IDEA (restricted)**

**\$393, 635**

**Expenses are in 4 categories: Instructional / Administrative / Support / Capital Outlay  
82% of that \$7 million is allocated to salaries, rent and utilities. For recording purposes  
60% of our funds have to show it's going to Instructional expenses.**

**Instructional Expenses cover:**

**Teacher / Aid Salaria**

**Supplies / Books / Subscriptions**

**General Supplies**

**Miscellaneous**

**We will be adding a classroom next year, that includes 2 new salaries for teachers.**

**The next set of expense include Administrative and Secretary Salaries, General school administration, business office, operations, professional development, office supplies communication. Anything that includes running the business of the school. Benefits for everyone.**

**Benefits have increased. Communications line has increased. We are updating the school's phone system. Up by \$10K.**

**Xiomara - Were these increases a part of the negotiation contract? Tom + Gallo: Yes  
Within the next 2 years, we are adding Spouse coverage and then Family**

**Support Services Expense:**

**Rent + Mortgage largest piece**

**Friends of TCCS own the building.**

**Why? Charter Schools weren't allowed to own the building. A 3rd party - Friends of TCCS  
- are the entity that is a major contributor to the school. The expenditures are tied to the bond agreement they have.**

**Notable Expenses - Insurance increase to \$11K**

**Increase in Workers Comp / due to covid. Salaries will increase and we are looking to hire extra support to fill the gaps on the assessment**

**Capital Outlay: Anything over \$3K. Chrombooks / Refrigerators**

**\$93K looking to spend for the upcoming year. Adding a Resource Room to accommodate additional 3rd and 4th grade.**

**TCSCO Gala Presentation:**

**Great turn out, nice community event.**

**Strategic Planning: Wednesday at 630pm. 13 RSVP**

**3 part meeting process, brainstorming.**

**Committee Updates: Curriculum updates: all members gave an update. Governance met: discussed surveys that go out 3rd week of May. Board Training that were completed.**

**Board goals. April 20th, May 4th and May 18th for SP.**

**Communications Committee meeting - to promote engagement**

### **Resolution**

2204-01 - Budget Summary: Moved by Anthony / Second: Carter: Discussion: None / Resolution Carries

2204-02 - SBA Financial Report (February 2022) Moved by Hollway / Second: Hadnot: Discussion: None / Resolution Carries

2204-03 - 2022-2023 Budget: Moved by Hollway / Second: J. Mitchell / Discussion: None / Resolution Carries

2204-04 - Updated Personnel Appointment (Custodian) Moved by Hadnot / Second: Gonzalez / Discussion: None / Resolution Carries

2204-05 - Baseball / Softball Umpires: Moved by: Anthony / Second by: Hollway / Discussion: Xiomara - do they get paid if there is no game? Gallo: No / Resolution Carries

2204-06 - Revised 2021-2022 School Calendar: Moved by: Carter / Second by: Anthony / Discussion: None / Resolution Carries

2204-07 - Personnel Appointment (Substitute): Moved by: Hollway / Second by: J Mitchell / Discussion Is this person filling in for Dr Nan? GALLO: We have a sub we have been working with. It's been posted. Resolution Carries

2204-08 - Personnel Appointment (Part-Time Nurse): Moved by: Hollway / Second: Hadnot / Discussion Why did she leave Bogota? She's looking for a full time job. Resolution Carries

2205-09 - Emergent and Capital Maintenance Funds Acceptance: Moved by: Hadnot / Second Hollway / Discussion none / Resolution Carries

2204-10 - Acceptance of Retirement Notice: Moved by: Carter / Second by: Gonzalez / Discussion none / Resolution Carries

2204-11 - Acknowledgement of Resignation: Moved by: Hollway / Second: Hadnot / Discussion none / Resolution Carries

Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm