

**Governing Board Meeting
Thomas Edison Charter Schools
February 7, 2018**

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In attendance: Adam Burris, Kyle Hancock, Chris Johnnie, Audra Parent, Denae Pruden

Late: Emily Buckley

Welcome/Conducting: Adam Burris

Pledge of Allegiance: Kyle Hancock

Charter Highlight: Audra Parent – Audra reviewed how students are selected.

Adoption of Agenda:

Motion to adopt the agenda: Adam Burris

Second: Kyle Hancock

Yes: Adam Burris, Kyle Hancock, Chris Johnnie, Audra Parent, Denae Pruden, Emily Buckley

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes – Adam Burris:

Motion to approve the January minutes: Denae Pruden

Second: Audra Parent

Yes: Adam Burris, Kyle Hancock, Chris Johnnie, Audra Parent, Denae Pruden, Emily Buckley

Strategic Plan Goal Change – Denae Pruden:

Denae spoke with the administrative team about changing goal #2 on the five year strategic plan. They wanted to make sure that what needed to be measured could be measured. The goal currently reads, “At least 90% of TECS students enrolled for at least one year will make one year’s worth of growth in one year’s time on in-house assessment measures.”

The goal was changed to: “TECS students will meet or exceed the annual average growth compared to past cohorts as measured by the current trend-line on the in-house monthly testing report.”

Motion to change goal #2 in the five year strategic plan: Denae Pruden

Second: Chris Johnnie

Yes: Adam Burris, Kyle Hancock, Chris Johnnie, Audra Parent, Denae Pruden, Emily Buckley

Engineering Report – Brad Larsen:

With the newly acquired property, Cache Valley Landmark is proposing increasing the parking lot and adding an additional drop-off pick-up lane. The existing parking lot would be restriped and the main crosswalk would be coned off during drop-off and pick-up. Traffic would come in off of 12th West.

This provides a lot of stacking room so traffic on the roadway is not blocked. They also propose a crosswalk to the townhomes. The triangle shaped piece of land will serve as a storm water pond or mimic the wetland and fence on Nibley Park Avenue. The fence will be 15 feet back so snow can be pushed to that area.

The parking lot was designed with striped islands to aid in snow removal. The number of parking stalls will increase from 100 to 185.

Finance Report/Forecast Report – Jim Peterson:

Edison North is just under \$8,200 per month in the black. Edison South is about \$13,700 per month in the black.

Jim explained the budget forecast tool and what controls he set for the printed forecast. The board all received an electronic copy and he told them how to change controls or scenarios. The cash surplus does not update automatically.

Legislative Update – Jim Peterson:

Jim supplied a list of bills in the legislature this session that might be of interest to or impact the schools. He explained about the education base budget which will be amended at the end of the session. He highlighted a few other bills.

HB282 is trying to charge a fee for Aspire, but it does not seem to be moving yet.

SB70 requires charters and districts to have certain HR policies.

HB233 makes changes to the salary supplement. This would include special education teachers in the list of qualified teachers and it may increase the amount of the supplement in certain cases.

Achievement Report – Denaë/Kyle/Jamin/Kari:

Kari presented the results for Aspire, which is a preparatory test for the ACT. There are three indicators, Exceeds, Ready and Close. The benchmarks are for the spring, but TECS administers the test in the fall.

Audra pointed out that the 8th grade is above the national average in every category. There were a lot less 9th graders who took the test so that may skew their scores.

Kari also presented some graphs showing comparisons with last year. The test has to be taken in one sitting. It is long and laborious for the students.

Engineering Report – Brad Larsen:

Civil Solutions proposed two separate entrances to reduce conflict in that area. The crosswalk will remain for students to cross to the other pick-up area. You will be able to enter or exit from 12th West. The area to the right will serve as a pick-up area and may double as parking during events. The total number of parking stalls, including the event parking, will be 151.

They also propose drain water and snow storage for the triangle portion.

Vendor and Contract Approvals – Shem/Melani:

The board asked Brad his recommendation. Both firms have been responsive and easy to work with. Cache Landmark has been a little more proactive and creative, but he feels either firm would do a good job.

Denaë liked the Cache Landmark design a little better and especially the flow and the amount of added parking stalls.

Motion to approve Cache Landmark as engineering firm for Edison South's parking lot: Adam Burris

Second: Audra Parent

Yes: Adam Burris, Kyle Hancock, Chris Johnnie, Audra Parent, Denae Pruden, Emily Buckley

Personnel Requests – Shem/Melani:

Hunter Buchanan as day custodian.

Megan Dodge as a part time special education/MTSS aide.

Motion to approve personnel requests: Adam Burris

Second: Kyle Hancock

Yes: Adam Burris, Kyle Hancock, Chris Johnnie, Audra Parent, Denae Pruden, Emily Buckley

Principal Reports – Shem/Melani:

Melani:

- The kindergarten preview night was fabulous. Between the two schools thirteen students have registered or are in the process of registering.

Shem:

- The land trust money has been spent or will be. Much of the money will go to recycling old technology.
- It was decided to wait on approving the applicant for the marketing position until the job description can be created.

Data Back-up Policy Amendment – Adam Burris:

The antiquated procedures need to be removed.

Motion to approve amendment to data backup policy: Adam Burris

Second: Emily Buckley

Yes: Adam Burris, Kyle Hancock, Chris Johnnie, Audra Parent, Denae Pruden, Emily Buckley

Board Visit Day – Kyle/Emily:

Kyle visited Edison North. The children looked happy and he saw a wide range of positive things.

Emily visited Edison South and was impressed. She visited all grades and each class had learning, behavior and respect.

Closed Session: Pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205-1(a)

Motion to move to closed executive session: Adam Burris

Second: Audra Parent

Adam Burris - Yes

Kyle Hancock - Yes

Chris Johnnie - Yes

Audra Parent - Yes

Emily Buckley - Yes

Denae Pruden - Yes

Reconvene Open Meeting:

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn: Adam Burris

Second: Audra Parent