

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
TONAWANDA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
100 HINDS STREET, TONAWANDA, NY 14150**

**AGENDA ~ Draft
NOVEMBER 16, 2021**

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

*THS Library Media Center
TONAWANDA MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
600 FLETCHER STREET*

6:30 P.M.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER:

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.2 A Moment of Silence
- 1.3 Roll Call
- 1.4 Board of Education Disclaimer: Cell Phone Usage During Board Meetings
- 1.5 Board of Education Agenda Amendments/Agenda Confirmation

2.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

2.1 REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 12, 2021 **ENC.**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of **October 12, 2021** of the Board of Education be approved and that they are hereby adopted in their entirety.

2.0.1 CONSENT AGENDA: MINUTES OF OCTOBER 12, 2021 BOARD MEETING

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the above minutes, Item 2.1 as presented.

Ayes _____ Nays _____ Abs _____ Pass _____ Fail _____

3.0 NEW/OLD BUSINESS **ENC.**

4.0 SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS **NONE**

5.0 VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS/RESOLUTIONS

5.1 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS

5.2 PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION #1

The Tonawanda Board of Education, in an effort to conduct district business in a timely fashion, and as part of its long-standing goal to maintain an open line of communication with the public, welcomes comments on topics relevant to the meeting and public education.

- Persons wishing to speak and be recognized by the **Board President** are to be courteous, respectful, well-prepared, non-repetitive and brief.
- All questions or comments should be addressed only to the **Board President** or to the **Superintendent**. No discussion of individual personnel matters will be discussed by the Board.
- Please state your name and address clearly for inclusion in the meeting Minutes. In the event any person wishes a response outside of the confines of a regular Board

meeting, please leave all necessary contact information with the Clerk at the end of the meeting.

- Persons may address the Board of Education during two (2) separate sessions of the meeting for a total of twenty (20) minutes per session.
- Individuals may speak a total of three (3) minutes per speaker per session. The Board will adhere to this three (3) minute guideline in an effort to allow everyone an opportunity to speak who wishes to do so.
- The Board reserves its right to limit or expand upon these time limits as the Board may deem necessary and prudent.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

- 6.1 *SMART SCHOOLS* – Jessi Donner
- 6.2 *ASSESSMENT DATA* – Sarah Infante
- 6.3 ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

7.0 MANAGEMENT SERVICES NONE

7.1 FINANCIAL REPORTS: ENC.

- 7.1.1 Treasurer's Report –September 2021
- 7.1.2 Payment of Bills as Certified by Auditor –September 2021
- 7.1.3 Revenues – September 2021 – \$7,389,344 (Year-to-date \$8,187,824)
- 7.1.4 Expenditures – September 2021 – \$967,628 (Year-to-date \$4,681,456)
- 7.1.5 Fund Balance Projection Report – September 2021
- 7.1.6 Delinquent Tax Report – None
- 7.1.7 School Lunch Program – None
- 7.1.8 Capital Fund – None
- 7.1.9 Trust and Agency – September 2021
- 7.1.10 Budget Transfers –September 2021 – \$0 (Year-to-date \$0)
- 7.1.11 Central Treasurer's Report – None
- 7.1.12 Wire Transfers and ACH Payments –September 2021
- 7.1.13 Claims Audit Report – September 2021

7.2 APPROVE DESIGNATION OF OBSOLETE PROPERTY – HIGH SCHOOL ENC.

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools designates instructional materials (keyboard) from Tonawanda High School as damaged beyond repair and obsolete for disposal.

7.3 APPROVE DESIGNATION OF OBSOLETE PROPERTY – ATHLETICS ENC.

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools designates instructional materials (helmets) from Tonawanda High School as damaged beyond repair and obsolete for disposal.

7.4 APPROVE EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUB – MS ROBOTICS CLUB ENC.

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools approves the creation of the *Robotics Club* for the Middle School and the expenditure of funds for an advisor as a replacement club for the Book Club at the High School.

7.0.1 CONSENT AGENDA: FINANCIAL REPORTS/RESOLUTIONS

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the above Management Services Items 7.1 through 7.4 as presented.

Ayes _____ Nays _____ Abs _____ Pass _____ Fail _____

8.0 INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL**RESIGNATIONS/APPOINTMENTS/UNPAID LEAVES/TENURE/ETC.****ENC.**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following Board Actions, **pending official clearance by the New York State Commission of Education of fingerprint/background check WHERE APPLICABLE** and upon successful completion of probationary period, where applicable. For new teacher hires, it is hereby further resolved that such probationary expiration date shall depend upon their individual APPR ratings and in order to receive tenure they must receive overall APPR ratings of effective or highly effective in at least three of composite or overall APPR rating in their final year of probation, they shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.

Item No.	Name	New or Replacing	Position/Tenure Area/ Certification	BOE ACTION REQUESTED	Step Level/Degree/Effective Date(s) Italics/Highlighted - Correction
8.1	Stacy Tucker	N/A	Speech Language Pathologist	Accept Resignation	Effective November 24, 2021
8.2	Kimberly Strasburg	Smith	Elementary/Master's	Approve Four Year Probationary Appointment	\$37,407 Effective November 17, 2021
8.3	Luciana Perri	N/A	Graduate Student Teacher from Fredonia at Mullen in Speech	Approve Appointment	At No Stipend and without pay Effective March 7, 2022 through May 13, 2022
8.4	Brendan Ryan	N/A	Student Teacher from Fredonia at Middle School in Music	Approve Appointment	At No Stipend and without pay Effective January 24, 2022 through May 20, 2022
8.5	Kailey Peets	N/A	Level I Occupational Therapy Student from University at Buffalo	Approve Appointment	At No Stipend and without pay Effective November 22, 2021 through June 23, 2022
8.6	Elizabeth Zink	N/A	Mentor/Peer Coach (Strasburg – Mullen)	Approve Appointment	Stipend \$750 (Pro Rated)

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ADVISOR APPOINTMENTS HIGH SCHOOL 2021-22**ENC.**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, accepts the following resolutions and approves the Class Advisor appointment for the 2021-22 school year and the corresponding stipend as per Article 19.05 of the TEA Contract.

Item No.	Name	Extra-Curricular Club/Program	Stipend	BOE Action Requested
8.7	Amanda Urbaniak	HS Musical Vocal Director	\$1,378	Approve Appointment
8.8	Amanda Ruiz	HS Musical Vocal Director	\$1,378	Approve Appointment

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ADVISOR APPOINTMENTS MIDDLE SCHOOL 2021-22**ENC.**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, accepts the following resolutions and approves the Class Advisor appointment for the 2021-22 school year and the corresponding stipend as per Article 19.05 of the TEA Contract.

Item No.	Name	Extra-Curricular Club/Program	Stipend	BOE Action Requested
8.9	Laura Schmidt	MS Robotics Club	\$826 (Pro Rated)	Approve Appointment

INTRAMURAL APPOINTMENTS 2021-2022**ENC.**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, accepts the following resolutions and approves the Class Advisor appointment for the 2021-22 school year and the corresponding stipend as per Article 19.05 of the TEA Contract.

Item No.	Name	Intramural Program	Rate	BOE Action Requested
8.10	Jackie Kiera	MS Intramural	\$28.22 per hour	Approve Amendment
8.11	John Frank	MS Intramural	\$28.22 per hour	Approve Amendment

COACHING APPOINTMENTS/ RESIGNATIONS –**ENC.**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, accepts the following resolutions and approves the Athletic Coach appointments , per the attached, **pending official clearance by the New York State Commissioner of Education of fingerprint/background check of all those applicable**

Item No.	Name	Sport	BOE ACTION REQUESTED	Step Level/Rate/Effective Date(s)
8.12	Glen Gast	Girls JV Basketball	Approve Amendment	Effective November 15, 2021 Stipend Step 2 \$4,745
8.13	Joseph Kelly	Varsity Football Coach	Terminate Employment	Effective October 28, 2021
8.14	Matthew Harrington	Boys JV Basketball Coach	Approve Appointment	Effective November 15, 2021 Stipend Step 1 \$4,352
8.15	Melissa Keem	Boys Modified Basketball Coach	Approve Appointment	Effective November 15, 2021 Stipend Step 1 \$4,352
8.16	Steven Warthling	Modified Wrestling Coach	Approve Appointment	Effective November 15, 2021 Stipend Step 3 \$4,352
8.17	Joseph McDonald	Varsity Wrestling Assistant Coach	Approve Appointment	Effective November 15, 2021 Stipend Step 1 \$4,352
8.18	Jason Balling	Varsity Wrestling Coach	Approve Appointment	Effective November 15, 2021 Stipend Step 1 \$6,732
8.19	Christopher Dirmyer	Girls Varsity Bowling Coach	Approve Appointment	Effective November 15, 2021 Stipend Step 1 \$3,562
8.20	Thomas Will Jr	Non Paid Volunteer – Wrestling	Approve Appointment	Effective November 15, 2021
8.21	Michael Zellner	Non Paid Volunteer – Wrestling	Approve Appointment	Effective November 15, 2021
8.22	Geoff Sherman	Non Paid Volunteer – Boys Basketball	Approve Appointment	Effective November 15, 2021
8.23	Charles Moore	Non Paid Volunteer – Girls Basketball	Approve Appointment	Effective November 15, 2021
8.24	Kalyn Compeau	Non Paid Volunteer – Girls Basketball	Approve Appointment	Effective November 15, 2021
8.25	Collin Wood	Non Paid Volunteer – Boys Swimming	Approve Appointment	Effective November 15, 2021
8.26	Nicholas Gardner	Non Paid Volunteer – Boys Swimming	Approve Appointment	Effective November 15, 2021

8.27 PAID SUPPORT STAFF FOR ATHLETICS –2021-2022**ENC.**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools approves the following individuals who are eligible to perform paid support staff duties for athletics for the Winter 2021-2022 Athletic Season at the rates per event of \$30 for Scoreboard Operator, \$35 for Clock Operators and Scorekeepers, \$25 for Announcers, and the TEA supervisory rate for Event Security.
Shawn Lodovico

ADDITIONS TO THE INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTE LIST(S)**ENC.**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the **Additions to the Instructional Substitute Teacher List(s)**, as listed on the attachments(s), **pending official clearance by the New York State Commission of Education of fingerprint/background check.** The Board of Education also approves the **EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENT** of all substitute additions as listed on the attachment(s) for a period not to exceed twenty (20) calendar days.

Item No.	Name	Certification Area	BOE Action Requested	Rate/Effective Date(s)
8.28	Melissa Frantz	High School Diploma	Approve Addition to Elementary and Secondary List	\$85 per day Effective October 25, 2021
8.29	Melissa Frantz	High School Diploma	Approve Addition to the Teacher Assistant List	\$12.50 per hour Effective November 17, 2021
8.30	Teisha Mcelfresh	Master Elementary	Approve Addition to the Elementary List	\$110 per day Effective November 17, 2021
8.31	Teisha Mcelfresh	Master Elementary	Approve Addition to the Teacher Assistant List	\$12.50 per hour Effective November 17, 2021
8.32	Christopher Dirmyer	Associate's	Approve Addition to Secondary List	\$85 per day Effective October 25, 2021
8.33	Christopher Dirmyer	Associate's	Approve Addition to the Teacher Assistant List	\$12.50 per hour Effective November 17, 2021
8.34	Gail Walter	Master's	Approve Addition to Secondary List	\$110 per day Effective October 26, 2021

8.0.1. CONSENT AGENDA: INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL ITEMS

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Instruction Personnel Action Items 8.1 through 8.34 as presented.

Ayes _____ Nays _____ Abs _____ Pass _____ Fail _____

9.0 NON-INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL

9.1 REDUCTION OF ONE (1) STATIONARY ENGINEER POSITION

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools hereby abolishes **ONE (1) STATIONARY ENGINEER** position as of November 16, 2021.

RESIGNATIONS/APPOINTMENTS/UNPAID LEAVES/ETC.

ENC.

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following Board Actions, **pending official clearance by the New York State Commission of Education of fingerprint/background check as applicable** and upon successful completion of probationary period where applicable.

Item No.	Name	Position	BOE Action Requested	Step Level/Rate/Effective Date(s) Italics/Highlighted = Correction
9.2	Eileen Hall	Cleaner	Accept Resignation due to Retirement	Effective October 29, 2021
9.3	Jill Lonie	Teacher Aide	Accept Resignation	Effective December 4, 2021
9.4	Amy Blair-Castro	Clerical	Accept Resignation	Effective November 3, 2021

9.5	Kristen Schloss	Teacher Aide	Approve Six-Month Probationary Appointment	\$15.02 per hour Effective October 19, 2021
9.6	Allyson Richards	Teacher Aide	Approve Six-Month Probationary Appointment	\$15.02 per hour Effective November 1, 2021
9.7	Alan Galton	Cleaner	Approve Six-Month Probationary Appointment	\$12.80 per hour Effective November 22, 2021
9.8	Kayla Tonaus	Lifeguard	Approve Appointment	\$14.00 per hour Effective November 11, 2020 through June 30, 2021

9.9 PAID SUPPORT STAFF FOR ATHLETICS –2021-2022**ENC.**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools approves the following individuals who are eligible to perform paid support staff duties for athletics for the Winter 2021-2022 Athletic Season at the rates per event of \$30 for Scoreboard Operator, \$35 for Clock Operators and Scorekeepers, \$25 for Announcers, and \$71 for Event Security.

Kelly Harszlack
Jennifer Battista

Collin Wood

All Coaches 2021-2022

ADDITIONS TO THE NON- INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTE LIST(S)**ENC.**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the **Additions to the Non-Instructional Substitute List(s)**, as listed on the attachments(s), **pending official clearance by the New York State Commission of Education of fingerprint/background check.** The Board of Education also approves the **EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENT** of all substitute additions as listed on the attachment(s) for a period not to exceed twenty (20) calendar days.

Item No.	Name	Position	BOE ACTION REQUESTED	Step Level/Rate/Effective Date(s) Italics/Highlighted = Correction
9.10	Melissa Frantz	Teacher Aide	Approve Addition to the Teacher Aide List	\$12.50 per hour Effective November 17, 2021
9.11	Teisha Mcelfresh	Teacher Aide	Approve Addition to the Teacher Aide List	\$12.50 per hour Effective November 17, 2021
9.12	Christopher Dirmyer	Teacher Aide	Approve Addition to the Teacher Aide List	\$12.50 per hour Effective November 17, 2021

9.0.1 CONSENT AGENDA: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Non-Instructional Personnel Action Items 9.1 through 9.12 as presented.

Ayes _____ Nays _____ Abs _____ Pass _____ Fail _____

10.0 CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION

10.1 COMMITTEES ON SPECIAL EDUCATION (CSE)

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COMMITTEE TYPE	DESCRIPTION	MEETING DATES
<i>District Committee on Special Education</i>	Annual Review	10.12.21, 10.14.21, 10.15.21, 10.19.21, 10.20.21, 10.22.21, 10.25.21, 10.26.21, 10.27.21, 10.28.21, 11.05.21, 11.08.21, 11.09.21, 11.10.21, 11.12.21
<i>District Committee on Special Education</i>	Re-evaluation/Annual Review	10.13.21, 10.18.21, 10.21.21, 10.29.21, 11.05.21, 11.08.21
<i>District Committee on Special Education</i>	Amendment – Agreement No Meeting	10.06.21, 10.07.21, 10.12.21, 10.15.21, 10.19.21, 10.29.21
<i>District Committee on Preschool Special Education</i>	Preschool Initial Eligibility	10.12.21, 10.14.21, 10.15.21, 10.27.21, 10.29.21, 11.08.21
<i>District Committee on Preschool Special Education</i>	Preschool Amend No Meeting	10.19.21

10.0.1 CONSENT AGENDA: CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the above Item 10.1 as presented.

Ayes _____ Nays _____ Abs _____ Pass _____ Fail _____

11.0 POLICY ITEMS:

NONE

12.0 OTHER

12.1 ADOPT BUDGET DEVELOPMENT CALENDAR

ENC.

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools adopts the Tonawanda City School District Budget Development Calendar for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year.

12.2 TONA2020: RENAMING CONSOLIDATED BUILDING

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, and after extensive study and consideration, and further after the consolidation of Fletcher Elementary, Mullen Elementary, and Riverview Elementary buildings, hereby approves the re-naming of the consolidated building to Tonawanda Elementary School upon the issuance of all approvals and consents that might be required by the Commissioner and the State Education Department.

12.3 PARTICIPATION IN TEST TO STAY

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Tonawanda City School District Board of Education

Resolution No.:

WHEREAS, the future well-being of our community relies on providing all students access to high quality education; and

WHEREAS, the District continues to closely monitor the spread of COVID-19 in our area with updates from governmental and public health agencies;

WHEREAS, the District recognizes that many healthy, unvaccinated students that are close contacts of an individual who tests positive for COVID-19 are required to quarantine under the New York State Department of Health regulations and/or guidance; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED effective November 16, 2021, the Tonawanda City School District Board of Education supports and encourages the Erie County Department of Health to permit our district to implement a "test to stay" mitigation strategy that allows unvaccinated students who are close contacts to avoid school exclusion by testing negative with a daily rapid NAAT test or antigen test for seven days after exposure to stay in in-school instruction if a parent consents to this option to avoid school exclusion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to our local Boards of Education throughout the Erie and Niagara region, the Erie County Department of Health, our State Governor, New York State Department of Health, New York State Department of Education, and to all members of the

United States House of Representatives and Senate representing the families in our Tonawanda City School District.

ADOPTED by the Board of Education of the Tonawanda City School District, Erie County, NY, at the regular open public meeting thereof, held this 16th day of November, 2021.

12.0.1 CONSENT AGENDA: OTHER

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the above Items 12.1 through 12.3 as amended.

Ayes _____ Nays _____ Abs _____ Pass _____ Fail _____

13.0 ATTENDANCE REPORT – OCTOBER 2021 **ENC.**

14.0 BOARD INFORMATIONAL ITEMS **ENC.**

- 14.1 Mullen Calendar – November 2021
- 14.2 Riverview Calendar – November 2021

15.0 PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION #2 FOLLOWING BOARD RESOLUTIONS
(Same guidelines as those found in Item 5.1. Three (3) minutes per speaker for a 20 Minute Session.)

16.0 BOARD OF EDUCATION ROUND-UP

The Tonawanda Board of Education members would like to take an opportunity to share news regarding the school district since the prior Board of Education Meeting, (*e.g., Board of Education school visits or school events*)

17.0 ADJOURNMENT

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____, that the Board of Education adjourns the meeting at _____ PM.

Ayes _____ Nays _____ Abs _____ Pass _____ Fail _____