

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

**MINUTES
AUGUST 27, 2019**

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

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TONAWANDA MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
600 FLETCHER STREET*

1.0 CALL TO ORDER:

President Heather Sternin called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The pledge and a Moment of Silence for Nancy Holler was observed.

Roll Call: President Heather Sternin, Vice President Danielle Opalinski, Trustee Daniel Calabrese, Trustee Elizabeth Koch, Trustee Kristin Schmutzler, and Trustee Renee Gilbert. Trustee Diane Misner excused.

Administrators present included: Superintendent Dr. Timothy Oldenburg, Assistant Superintendent Mary Beth Scullion, Director of Pupil Personnel Services Amy Edgerton, Director of Business and Finance Donna Hill, Director of School Facilities and Operations Jeffrey Hatten, and Middle School Principal David Sellan,.

There were 5 visitors in attendance.

2.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

2.1 REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 13, 2019

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of **August 13, 2019** of the Board of Education be approved and that they are hereby adopted in their entirety.

2.0.1 CONSENT AGENDA: MINUTES OF AUGUST 13, 2019 BOARD MEETING

Moved by Trustee Elizabeth Koch and seconded by Trustee Renee Gilbert that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the above minutes, Item 2.1 as presented. Approved 5-1 and carried. Abstention from Opalinski.

3.0 NEW/OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Koch discussed the Board taking the sexual harassment training that employees have to take. This was recommended at the law conference. Mrs. Scullion said the GCN online training will be made available to Board members.

Mrs. Opalinski referenced the item regarding an upcoming board retreat. She is not opposed to an outside provider coming to present at the board retreat. She feels the Board should reach consensus on what will be discussed. Ms. Sternin can also agree to inviting ECASB to the next retreat. She suggesting creating a small committee of 3 members to determine what will be on the agenda to ensure a productive meeting. The committee can solicit feedback from all Board members to come to a consensus. Mrs. Koch also agrees, as long as the Board sets the agenda. Mrs. Schmutzler and Mrs. Gilbert also agreed. Ms. Sternin asked that if anyone is interested in serving on the committee, to email her by tomorrow.

Ms. Sternin discussed the option of using Supereval for a board evaluation. She feels it was an easy tool to use when completing superintendent evaluation. Mrs. Opalinski agreed. Mrs. Gilbert asked if after it was done, if the Board would meet again to discuss. Dr. Oldenburg suggested doing the evaluation prior to the retreat in November so it can be part of the agenda. The tool is very user friendly and merges all responses.

Ms. Sternin stressed that the evaluation is on the board as a whole. Discussion took place regarding the timing of completing the evaluation in relation to putting together the agenda for the retreat. Ms. Sternin asked Board members to complete their input on Supereval within a week. The planning committee will begin talking to members to see if it's one of the items that people want to work on. Mr. Calabrese indicated he was ok with the process.

Ms. Sternin addressed the item regarding paperless agendas. The Board took action to save considerable amounts of paper by using Chromebooks and eliminating the large packets that were hand delivered to Board members' homes. If the Board were to move to projecting the agenda on a screen instead of paper agendas, someone would need to turn pages during the meeting. This would not be possible for the clerk while taking minutes. A small number of agendas have to be available to attendees, since agendas have to be available to the public and not all people may have electronic access. Since the first verbal communications are on agenda items, attendees must be able to look through the agenda prior to the start of the meeting. In addition, when students are being recognized at meetings, some parents like a copy of the agenda. It is recommended that as few copies be made as possible to minimize waste. Mrs. Schmutzler understood, and was trying to stay more current by having it displayed. Ms. Sternin instructed the clerk to copy as few copies as possible.

4.0 SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

NONE

5.0 VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS/RESOLUTIONS

5.1 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS

There were no comments or questions at the last meeting requiring a response.

5.2 PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION #1

Mark Dennis Zahm, resident, referenced Item 12.0, the capital project, regarding safety plans. There is a school in Michigan that is rebuilding the school. They are taking every effort to take on safety issues. Considering the possible renovations, should Gordon Jones contact the Michigan company regarding how they are addressing safety. The focus is on protecting children, teachers and law enforcement. He offered copies of the article on the Michigan school for anyone who might be interested.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

6.1 SMART SCHOOLS

Mary Beth Scullion, Assistant Superintendent & Jessi Donner, Coordinator of Educational Technology

The Smart Schools Bond Act began in 2014. Tonawanda received approximately \$1.5 million through Smart School. Approval will take almost a year from the State. Mrs. Donner explained the different categories that schools can use the money for and the steps the district committee followed to determine what is recommended. Phase I is recommended to address instructional technology. Replacing outdated Chromebooks and smart boards would equal \$752,000 of the allocation. Next steps would include Board approval of the preliminary plan, publication on the website for 30 days, a public hearing by the Board and submission to the State for approval. With the remaining amount, the committee can reconvene to determine needs for the remaining \$809,500 for Phase II. Mrs. Opalinski asked if equipment bought for Riverview and Mullen be able to be utilized at the new building. Mrs. Donner explained they can easily be moved if the TONA2020 project moves forward. Mrs. Donner explained that there are no due dates given for when projects must be complete. Once the Phase I plan is published, there will be a link on the website where people can provide comments.

6.2 ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Police Chief Strassburg and Fire Chief Stuart attended the meeting to discuss the recent Emergency Response Drill on August 21. This event was coordinated over 6 months with various community agencies. The purpose was to test the safety plans currently in place in the district. A full debrief of the drill will take place in a few weeks. Chief Strassburg explained that there were four components to the drill. Dr. Oldenburg and Officer Balling were removed from the drill to see how administrators in the building would respond. Chief Strassburg attended a training last year, and during the drill, the result was not successful. This proved that the drill was necessary to see where focus was needed. With the cameras in the MS/HS, it will allow them to see all aspects of the drill prior to the full debrief. It took 11 minutes for the 911 call and officers to respond without Officer Balling on the scene to assist. This drill proved how valuable the SRO relationship is with the district.

Chief Stuart reported that mistakes were made, which are being reviewed and will bring to the attention of those who need it. It was a very good learning experience for all involved. Thankful to the school district to allow this drill to take place. Much of the process is learned from domestic situations that have happened in the country. Allowing fire to work side-by-side with police has helped both departments be better prepared. He hopes the district looks into a grant to conduct a full-scale drill. Ms. Sternin wondered if response time was affected by flooding that day. Chief Strassburg said that did not factor into response. Dr. Oldenburg emphasized that the drill was not conducted with a full building, which also affected the response time by those in the building at the beginning of the drill. Dr. Oldenburg stressed that though volunteers may have felt it took a long response time, staff and students should know that just because they can't hear or see a response does not mean a response isn't taking place.

Mrs. Opalinski was a volunteer "victim" and said that in a real-life situation everyone in the room would have been on the phone with 911. That did not occur since the students and adults knew it was a drill. Mrs. Gilbert, another volunteer, stated that even though it was just a drill, there was still adrenaline and it was scary. She recognized the first responders for a great job. Mrs. Schmutzler inquired if another drill will take place. Dr. Oldenburg reiterated that they are looking at potential opportunities for a bigger drill, with a possible grant.

All administrators are getting ready for opening day tomorrow. Dr. Oldenburg said they are all anticipating the start of school tomorrow. He expressed gratitude to 12-month employees who have been working hard to get everything ready. Orientation took place today at Riverview for kindergarten and pre-k. The 12-month staff has been busy with staffing, projects, programs and many other items. Sports have begun and activities are starting to kickoff. Ready for tomorrow and students next Tuesday.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

7.0 MANAGEMENT SERVICES

7.1 FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- 7.1.1 Treasurer's Report – May 2019
- 7.1.2 Payment of Bills as Certified by Auditor – May 2019
- 7.1.3 Revenues – May 2019 – \$2,894,662 (Year-to-date \$30,305,699)
- 7.1.4 Expenditures – May 2019 – \$2,542,427 (Year-to-date \$26,847,439)
- 7.1.5 Fund Balance Projection Report – May 2019
- 7.1.6 Delinquent Tax Report – May 2019
- 7.1.7 School Lunch Program – May 2019

- 7.1.8 Capital Fund – None
- 7.1.9 Trust and Agency – May 2019
- 7.1.10 Budget Transfers – May 2019 – \$0 (Year-to-date \$0)
- 7.1.11 Central Treasurers Report – None
- 7.1.12 Wire Transfers and ACH Payments – May 2019
- 7.1.13 Claims Audit Report – May 2019

7.2 APPROVE DESIGNATION OF OBSOLETE PROPERTY – RIVERVIEW

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools designates instructional materials from Riverview Elementary as excess and obsolete for disposal/recycling.

7.3 APPROVE RENEWAL OF 403b THIRD PARTY PROVIDER AGREEMENT

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools authorizes the renewal of the agreement with **Omni Group** of Rochester, New York to provide employee benefit administrative services for the 403(b) plan for the 2019-2020 benefit year at a cost not to exceed \$1,572.

7.4 APPROVE SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE PRICES FOR 2019-2020

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools approve the selling prices for Student Meal Pattern of \$1.50 for breakfast and \$1.75 per student for lunch for the 2019-2020 school year.

7.5 APPROVE SUB PAY RATE CHANGES

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby sets the following teacher substitute per diem rates for any substitutes in the same assignment uninterrupted for 30 days effective August 28, 2019: Certified BA degree \$169.31 per day for more than 30 days, with retro payment of \$130 per day for the first thirty days; Certified MA \$183.72 per day for more than 30 days, with retro payment of \$130 per day for the first thirty days.

7.6 AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, authorizes the transfer of \$1.25 million to be placed into the Capital Reserve Fund effective June 30, 2019, increasing the balance to \$5 million.

7.7 APPROVE HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools hereby authorizes the President to execute the necessary transportation contract for Home to School transportation services with **Transpo Bus Services, LLC** for the 2019-2020 school year in the estimated amount of \$1,140,000.

7.8 APPROVE SPORTS & FIELD TRIP TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools hereby authorizes the President to execute the necessary transportation contract for Sports and Field Trips transportation services with **Transpo Bus Services, LLC** for the 2019-2020 school year in the estimated amount of \$100,000.

7.9 APPROVE WINTER SWIM TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools hereby authorizes the President to execute the necessary transportation contract for Winter Swim transportation services with **Transpo Bus Services, LLC** for the 2019-2020 school year in the estimated amount of \$9,500.

7.10 APPROVE HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES (SWD)

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools hereby authorizes the President to execute the necessary transportation contract for students with disabilities (SWD) by specific zones for Home to School transportation services with **Transpo Bus Services** for the 2019-2020 school year in the estimated amount of \$420,000.

7.11 APPROVE HOME-TO SCHOOL INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the cost of maintaining a separate transportation system for purposes of transporting students places an additional burden on the taxpayers of both Tonawanda and North Tonawanda, and

WHEREAS, Tonawanda contracts separately for such transportation services with a third party while North Tonawanda operates its own transportation system which has the capability to provide cooperative services on behalf of both municipal corporations, and

WHEREAS, the sharing of services will increase the efficiency of the operations of both Tonawanda and North Tonawanda and provide additional revenue for North Tonawanda without overburdening its current resources, and

WHEREAS, the use of the transportation system will result in a savings to Tonawanda as compared to the use of a third party contract, and

WHEREAS, the State of New York has instructed school districts and other municipal corporations to find ways to enter into cooperative agreements,

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent hereby authorizes the Superintendent to execute an inter-municipal agreement with the North Tonawanda City School District for SWD transportation during the 2019-2020 academic year at a cost not to exceed \$10,000.

7.12 APPROVE NURSE SUBSTITUTE RATE CHANGE

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby sets the school nurse substitute per diem rate to \$20.00 per hour, effective August 28, 2019.

7.0.1 CONSENT AGENDA: FINANCIAL REPORTS/RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Trustee Elizabeth Koch and seconded by Vice President Danielle Opalinski that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the above Management Services Items 7.1 through 7.12 as presented. Approved 6-0 and carried.

8.0 INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL

RESIGNATIONS/APPOINTMENTS/UNPAID LEAVES/TENURE/ETC.

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	Valerie Velasquez	N/A	Family & Consumer Sciences (Middle School)	Tenure Appointment	Effective September 1, 2019 Upon successful completion of probationary period
8.2	Kristen Taylor	N/A	Special Education (Middle School)	30-Day Announcement of Tenure Appointment	Effective October 17, 2019 Upon successful completion of probationary period
8.3	Lindsay Scalfani	N/A	Elementary Teacher (Riverview)	Accept Resignation	Effective August 21, 2019
8.4	Katelyn Greiner	N/A	Elementary Teacher (Fletcher)	Accept Resignation	Effective August 26, 2019
8.5	Jennifer Byer	N/A	Teacher Assistant (High School)	Accept Resignation	Effective August 28, 2019

ADDITIONS TO THE INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTE LIST(S)

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)
8.6	Bailey King	Bachelor’s Degree	Approve Addition to Secondary List	\$75 per day Effective August 28, 2019

8.0.1. CONSENT AGENDA: INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL ITEMS

Moved by Trustee Elizabeth Koch and seconded by Trustee Kristin Schmutzler that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Instruction Personnel Action Items 8.1 through 8.6 as presented. Approved 6-0 and carried.

9.0 NON-INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL**RESIGNATIONS/APPOINTMENTS/UNPAID LEAVES/ETC.**

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. 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
9.1	David Sellan	Building Principal (Middle School)	Tenure Appointment	Effective September 1, 2019 Upon successful completion of probationary period
9.2	Allyne DiBuono-Doroski	School Nurse (Mullen)	Accept Resignation	Effective August 14, 2019
9.3	Liana McKinney	Custodian (Fletcher)	Accept Resignation	Effective August 14, 2019
9.4	Richard Graff	School Monitor (Part-Time)	Approve Appointment	\$15.04 per hour Effective August 28, 2019 through June 30, 2020
9.5	Cori Harvey	School Monitor (Part-Time)	Approve Appointment	\$15.04 per hour Effective August 28, 2019 through June 30, 2020
9.6	Steven Warthling	School Monitor (Part-Time)	Approve Appointment	\$15.04 per hour Effective August 28, 2019 through June 30, 2020
9.7	Jay Hall	School Monitor (Part-Time)	Approve Appointment	\$15.04 per hour Effective August 28, 2019 through June 30, 2020
9.8	Lori Gilcart	School Monitor (Part-Time)	Approve Appointment	\$15.04 per hour Effective August 28, 2019 through June 30, 2020
9.9	Tami Mislin	School Monitor (Part-Time)	Approve Appointment	\$15.04 per hour Effective August 28, 2019 through June 30, 2020
9.10	Jennifer Miller-McKie	School Monitor (Part-Time)	Approve Appointment	\$15.04 per hour Effective August 28, 2019 through June 30, 2020
9.11	Kelly Lyons	School Monitor (Part-Time)	Approve Appointment	\$15.04 per hour Effective August 28, 2019 through June 30, 2020
9.12	Jeff Schultz	School Monitor (Part-Time)	Approve Appointment	\$15.04 per hour Effective August 28, 2019 through June 30, 2020
9.13	Tom Balk	School Monitor (Part-Time)	Approve Appointment	\$15.04 per hour Effective August 28, 2019 through June 30, 2020

Item No.	Name	Position	BOE Action Requested	Step Level/Rate/Effective Date(s) Italics/Highlighted = Correction
9.14	Michael Warthling	School Monitor (Part-Time)	Approve Appointment	\$15.04 per hour Effective August 28, 2019 through June 30, 2020

ADDITIONS TO THE NON- INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTE LIST(S)

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 attachment(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
9.15	Amanda Miller	Clerical Substitute	Approve Appointment	Effective August 28, 2019 \$11.88 per hour

9.0.1 CONSENT AGENDA: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL

Moved by Trustee Kristin Schmutzler and seconded by Trustee Renee Gilbert that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Non-Instructional Personnel Action Items 9.1 through 9.15 as presented. Approved 6-0 and carried.

Following the vote, Dr. Oldenburg highlighted the two tenure appointments, Mr. Sellan and Mrs. Velasquez. Mr. Sellan spoke regarding Mrs. Velasquez. Mrs. Velasquez is a very enthusiastic teacher. She has worked with students on Student Council, started the district Wellness Committee, invited community members to speak about occupations, partnered with BOCES for cupcake wars. She is a great addition to Tonawanda.

Mrs. Scullion spoke regarding Mr. Sellan. Mr. Sellan started as Assistant Principal and became Middle School Principal. He works very hard for the district. He always puts students first, and works well with parents in the community. He has been trying to win back the annual dodgeball trophy.

Dr. Oldenburg stressed that tenure is a big accomplishment in the district and shows the Board's support of their work.

10.0 CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION **NONE**

11.0 POLICY ITEMS: **NONE**

12.0 OTHER

12.1 ADOPTION OF DISTRICT 2019-2020 SAFETY PLAN

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves adoption of the 2019-2020 Tonawanda City Schools District-Wide School Safety Plan.

12.2 ADOPTION OF 2019-2020 BUILDING LEVEL SAFETY PLANS

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves adoption of the 2019-2020 Tonawanda City Schools Building Level School Safety Plans.

12.0.1 CONSENT AGENDA: OTHER

Moved by Trustee Elizabeth Koch and seconded by Trustee Renee Gilbert that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the above Items 12.1 and 12.2 as presented. Approved 6-0 and carried.

12.3 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT & CONSOLIDATION PROJECT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

WHEREAS, the Tonawanda City School District (the “District”) and its Board of Education (the “Board”) propose to undertake a TONA2020: Elementary School Improvement & Consolidation Project (the “Project”) at the District’s facilities and sites; and

WHEREAS, as a Type I action, a coordinated review has been conducted with the District/Board as the “Lead Agency” in accordance with State Education Department policy and procedure and State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) regulations; and

WHEREAS, the District/Board duly considered the proposed Project, the SEQRA Environmental Assessment Form, the criteria for determining whether the Project will have a significant adverse impact on the environment as set forth in 6 N.Y.C.R.R. § 617.7(c) of the SEQRA regulations, input from involved agencies including the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, and such other information deemed appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the District/Board identified the relevant areas of environmental concern, took a hard look at these areas, and made a reasoned elaboration of the basis for its determination;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tonawanda City School District Board of Education that:

1. The District/Board is the lead agency under SEQRA, and the TONA2020: Elementary School Improvement & Consolidation Project will not result in a significant adverse impact on the environment.
2. The attached Negative Declaration, incorporated herein by reference, is issued and adopted for the reasons stated in the attached Negative Declaration, and Parts 1, 2, and 3 of the Environmental Assessment Form are also incorporated herein by reference.
3. The Superintendent of the District is authorized to sign and file or have filed on behalf of the District/Board all documents necessary to comply with SEQRA.
4. This resolution is effective immediately.

12.0.2 CONSENT AGENDA: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Moved by Trustee Elizabeth Koch and seconded by Vice President Danielle Opalinski that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the above Item 12.3 as presented. Approved 6-0 and carried.

Trustee Mr. Calabrese	Aye	Trustee Mrs. Opalinski	Aye
Trustee Mrs. Gilbert	Aye	Trustee Mrs. Schmutzler	Aye
Trustee Mrs. Koch	Aye	President Ms. Sternin	Aye

12.4 RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY

WHEREAS, the Board of Education (the “Board”) of The City School District of the City of Tonawanda, Erie County, New York (the “District”) is concerned with the need to continue to provide safe, efficient and appropriate educational facilities and resources for the students and employees of the District (and other persons utilizing District-owned properties and facilities) and, toward that end, believes it to be necessary and appropriate to undertake a “TONA2020: Elementary School Improvement & Consolidation Project” consisting of the reconstruction and renovation of, and the construction of improvements, additions and upgrades to the Fletcher Elementary School building and facilities (and the sites thereof), and the related consolidation of the District’s three elementary schools into a single improved elementary school campus at Fletcher;

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF THE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF TONAWANDA, IN ERIE COUNTY, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Board hereby determines that in order to continue to provide safe, efficient and appropriate educational facilities and resources for the students and employees of the District (and other persons utilizing District-owned properties and facilities), it is necessary and appropriate to undertake a “TONA2020: Elementary School Improvement & Consolidation Project” consisting of the reconstruction and renovation of, and the construction of improvements, additions and upgrades to the Fletcher Elementary School building and facilities (and the sites thereof), and the related consolidation of the District’s three elementary schools into a single improved elementary school campus at Fletcher, all as substantially described in (but not to be limited by) a detailed plan that has been prepared by the District with the assistance of Gordon W. Jones Associates, Architects, P.C. that is on file and available for public inspection in the administrative offices of the District (collectively, the “Project”), such work being anticipated to include, without limitation and to the extent as and where required, the elements listed below. The Project is designed to facilitate the enhancement of curriculum offerings and instruction from Universal Pre-Kindergarten (“UPK”) through 5th Grade by optimizing operational efficiencies with students, teachers, materials, technologies, and supporting programs at a consolidated and modernized elementary school near the District’s secondary school campus. Currently, the District’s elementary school students are dispersed among Fletcher Elementary School (ES) (Grades 4-5) which is near the District’s secondary school campus, Mullen ES (Kindergarten – Grade 3), and Riverview ES (Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) – Grade 3). Consolidation of UPK – Grade 5 at the Fletcher ES is proposed, with the other two schools to be closed. Proposed Fletcher ES building improvements are anticipated to include reconstruction and renovations of the oldest portions and some other areas of the existing building, demolition of an addition, and construction of additions in the footprint of the portion of the building to be demolished and other areas. Additions and alterations work would be anticipated to include general trades, HVAC, electrical, plumbing, abatement and other upgrades, including technology infrastructure and a new roof. New or upgraded interior spaces are anticipated to include grade-specific classrooms as well as

areas that are greatly needed to support the Special Education, English as Second Language (ESL), and STEAM enrichment programs. Other enhanced interior spaces are anticipated to include a new gymnasium and locker rooms; fitness center and occupational and physical therapy rooms; new music and art rooms, media center, restrooms, main and health offices, support and storage rooms, and corridors; relocated and renovated cafeteria and kitchen; and renovated auditorium. Proposed safety and security improvements are anticipated to include secure entrance vestibules located near the expanded bus loop off of Gibson Street and the new parent/student drop-off internal driveway from Hinds Street to Fletcher Street on the other side of the building separate from the bus loop. Other security upgrades are anticipated to include updated security monitoring systems and controlled access to the building utilizing swipe cards and automatic door locking mechanism controls. Besides the building additions, expanded bus loop, and parent/student drop-off driveway, other proposed site work is anticipated to include a new, larger parking area; replacement of the existing parking area with walkways and landscaped areas with one of the two new main entrances; a new play field and playgrounds; and other improvements such as storm water management and updated utilities. During construction of the improvements at the Fletcher ES building and campus, 5th Grade students and faculty would be relocated temporarily to the Middle School while 4th Grade students and faculty would be relocated to temporary classroom facilities attached to Mullen ES and Riverview ES. All of such anticipated work is to be undertaken at an estimated maximum cost of \$53,469,266 for the entire Project.

SECTION 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

12.0.3 CONSENT AGENDA: RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY

Moved by Vice President Danielle Opalinski and seconded by Trustee Kristin Schmutzler that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the above Item 12.4 as presented. Approved 6-0 and carried.

Trustee Mr. Calabrese	Aye	Trustee Mrs. Opalinski	Aye
Trustee Mrs. Gilbert	Aye	Trustee Mrs. Schmutzler	Aye
Trustee Mrs. Koch	Aye	President Ms. Sternin	Aye

Prior to the vote, Mrs. Opalinski read the following statement: “This idea of this project began more than 10 years ago, when a group of school and community representatives formed the 2020 committee. This committee spent many, many hours dedicated to figuring out the best direction for our district. Their plan has evolved over the years to the current proposal and I want to say that I am 100% in support of this project. This project will help us meet the ever changing needs of our students. It will increase our efficiencies in utilities and resources, it will allow for instructional improvement and consistency, and it will allow us to improve school safety by having the latest in security and technology, all while saving the taxpayers money. This project, while not cheap, will actually save the taxpayers money over the needed repairs at the three elementary buildings, \$17 million, and will allow us to take advantage of state aid. This seems like a no-brainer to me. Save money and give our community the best schools we can provide.”

Mrs. Koch stated she is 100% in support of this initiative, and feels it pushes all the boxes for the community’s needs.

Ms. Sternin read the following statement from Mrs. Misner, who was unable to attend the meeting: “I have been on the 2020 committee for the past 7 years. I know our city is in a financial crunch, but I feel at this point in time that it would cost more to fix our schools than to replace a large portion and add on to Fletcher School, which would be more beneficial for our community and more cost effective. Because of these two reasons, I support the 2020 project and consolidation of the elementary schools.”

Ms. Sternin stated she is happy the district is finally moving forward on this project. She felt it got stagnant, but a lot of hard work has taken place over the last couple of years to get to this point. She

believes it will save us money in the long run, help to remain under the tax cap and we'll have a beautiful facility for children, staff and the community. She is hoping everyone will support the initiative

Mrs. Gilbert remembers when the committee was formed. She is so excited to still be in the district and hopefully see this come to fruition. She supports the project.

12.5 BOND RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education (the “Board”) of The City School District of the City of Tonawanda (the “District”) believes that it is in the best interest of the District to undertake a \$53,469,266 “TONA2020: Elementary School Improvement & Consolidation Project” as generally described herein (collectively, the “Project”), and to finance the Project by the issuance of serial bonds, bond anticipation notes, statutory installment bonds, or other obligations of the District (including, without limitation, any one or more of such instruments structured as lease/purchase arrangements); and

WHEREAS, the Board has previously adopted, with respect to the proposed Project, (a) a Negative Declaration (concluding that the proposed Project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment), pursuant to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) of the Environmental Conservation Law of New York and (b) a resolution of necessity, pursuant to Section 2512(3) of the Education Law of New York;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board on behalf of the District (by the favorable vote of not less than three-fifths of all of the members of the Board) as follows:

SECTION 1. The District is hereby authorized (subject to the approval of the voters of the District) to undertake and finance the described Project to implement various health, safety, accessibility and Code compliance measures required by the State Education Department in connection with any significant capital project and various other measures that are generally described in (but not to be limited by) the plan prepared by the District with the assistance of Gordon W. Jones Associates, Architects, P.C. (the “Project Plan”), which is available for public inspection in the administrative offices of the District, such work being currently anticipated to include (without limitation and to the extent as and where required) the elements listed below. The Project is designed to facilitate the enhancement of curriculum offerings and instruction from Universal Pre-Kindergarten (“UPK”) through 5th Grade by optimizing operational efficiencies with students, teachers, materials, technologies, and supporting programs at a consolidated and modernized elementary school near the District’s secondary school campus. Currently, the District’s elementary school students are dispersed among Fletcher Elementary School (ES) (Grades 4-5) which is near the District’s secondary school campus, Mullen ES (Kindergarten – Grade 3), and Riverview ES (Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) – Grade 3). Consolidation of UPK – Grade 5 at the Fletcher ES is proposed, with the other two schools to be closed. Proposed Fletcher ES building improvements are anticipated to include reconstruction and renovations of the oldest portions and some other areas of the existing building, demolition of an addition, and construction of additions in the footprint of the portion of the building to be demolished and other areas. Additions and alterations work would be anticipated to include general trades, HVAC, electrical, plumbing, abatement and other upgrades, including technology infrastructure and a new roof. New or upgraded interior spaces are anticipated to include grade-specific classrooms as well as areas that are greatly needed to support the Special Education, English as Second Language (ESL), and STEAM enrichment programs. Other enhanced interior spaces are anticipated to include a new gymnasium and locker rooms; fitness center and occupational and physical therapy rooms; new music and art rooms, media center, restrooms, main and health offices, support and storage rooms, and corridors; relocated and renovated cafeteria and kitchen; and renovated auditorium. Proposed safety and security improvements are anticipated to include secure entrance vestibules located near the expanded bus loop off of Gibson Street and the new parent/student

drop-off internal driveway from Hinds Street to Fletcher Street on the other side of the building separate from the bus loop. Other security upgrades are anticipated to include updated security monitoring systems and controlled access to the building utilizing swipe cards and automatic door locking mechanism controls. Besides the building additions, expanded bus loop, and parent/student drop-off driveway, other proposed site work is anticipated to include a new, larger parking area; replacement of the existing parking area with walkways and landscaped areas with one of the two new main entrances; a new play field and playgrounds; and other improvements such as storm water management and updated utilities. During construction of the improvements at the Fletcher ES building and campus, 5th Grade students and faculty would be relocated temporarily to the Middle School while 4th Grade students and faculty would be relocated to temporary classroom facilities attached to Mullen ES and Riverview ES. All of such anticipated work is to be undertaken at an estimated maximum cost of \$53,469,266 for the entire Project.

It is to be understood that the detailed costs of the components of the Project (as generally set forth and described in the Project Plan) may be reallocated among such components, or such components may be deleted, revised or supplemented if (a) the Board shall determine that such reallocation, deletion, revision or supplementation is in the best interests of the District and (b) the aggregate amount to be expended for the Project shall not exceed \$53,469,266, and (c) no material change shall be made in the overall scope and nature of the Project. Such work shall include the acquisition and installation of original furnishings, equipment, machinery, and apparatus reasonably required to achieve the purposes of the Project.

SECTION 2. The plan for the financing of the Project consists of (a) the expenditure or application toward the Project (during the current fiscal year of the District) \$5,000,000 from the District's Capital Reserve Fund that was established in 2013, (b) the expenditure or application toward the Project of \$1,000,000 of other available (or anticipated) District funds and (c) the issuance of serial bonds, bond anticipation notes, statutory installment bonds, or other obligations of the District (including, without limitation, any one or more of such instruments being structured as lease/purchase arrangements) in an amount not to exceed \$47,469,266, such obligations being hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Finance Law. The repayment of the principal amount of such serial bonds or other obligations (and the interest payable thereon) is to be ensured by the levy and collection of a tax on the taxable real property of the District, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by the Board.

SECTION 3. It is hereby determined that the Project constitutes a class of objects or purposes described in subdivision 97 of paragraph (a) of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of the Project is 30 years.

SECTION 4. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Local Finance Law, and pursuant to the provisions of Section 21.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes and of Section 50.00, Sections 56.00 to 60.00, Section 62.00, Section 62.10, Section 63.00, and Section 164.00 of the Local Finance Law, the powers and duties of the Board pertaining or incidental to the sale and issuance of the obligations herein authorized, including but not limited to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and details as to the sale and issuance of the obligations herein authorized and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such obligations, and the renewals of such notes, are hereby delegated to the President of the Board, as the chief fiscal officer of the District. Without in any way limiting the scope of the foregoing delegation of powers, the President of the Board, to the extent permitted by Section 58.00(f) of the Local Finance Law, is specifically authorized to accept bids submitted in electronic format for any bonds or notes of the District.

SECTION 5. Current funds are not required to be provided prior to the issuance of the bonds authorized by this resolution (or any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds).

SECTION 6. The District's prior authorization (on December 11, 2018) of the temporary use of available funds of the District not immediately required for the purpose or purposes for which the same were borrowed, raised or otherwise created, pursuant to Section 165.10 of the Local Finance Law, for the purpose or purposes described in Section 1 of this resolution, is hereby reaffirmed. The District reasonably expects to reimburse any such expenditures (to the extent made after the date hereof or within 60 days prior to the earlier of (a) December 11, 2018 or (b) any earlier expression by the District of its intent to reimburse expenditures for the Project or any earlier iteration of the Project) with the proceeds of the obligations authorized by Section 2 of this resolution (or with the proceeds of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such obligations). This resolution shall constitute a reaffirmation of the District's "official intent" to reimburse the expenditures authorized by Section 2 hereof (or expenditures for any earlier iteration of the Project) with such proceeds, as required by United States Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2.

SECTION 7. Each of the obligations authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such obligations, shall contain the recital of validity as prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, and such obligations shall be general obligations of the District, payable as to both principal and interest by a general tax upon all the taxable real property within the District, without limitation as to rate or amount (subject to certain statutory limitations imposed by Chapter 97 of the 2011 Laws of New York). The faith and credit of the District are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such obligations, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the District by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of any such obligations to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest on any such obligations to be due and payable in such year.

SECTION 8. The President of the Board is further authorized, on behalf of the District, to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to ensure the continued status of the interest on the obligations authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, as excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and may designate the obligations authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" in accordance with Section 265(b)(3) of the Code (to the extent legally permissible).

SECTION 9. The President of the Board is further authorized to enter into a continuing disclosure agreement with the initial purchaser of the obligations authorized hereunder (or any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such obligations), containing provisions which are satisfactory to such purchaser in compliance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12, as promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

SECTION 10. In the absence or unavailability of the President of the Board, the Vice President of the Board is hereby specifically authorized to exercise the powers delegated to the President of the Board in this resolution.

SECTION 11. The validity of the obligations authorized hereunder, or of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such obligations, may be contested only if:

- (1) (a) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the District is not authorized to expend money, or

(b) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication; or

(2) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution of New York.

SECTION 12. A proposition for the approval or disapproval of this bond resolution will be submitted to the qualified voters of the District at a special District meeting and vote to be held on October 22, 2019. Such proposition shall contain a statement to the effect that the obligations to be issued pursuant to this bond resolution may be issued in excess of the constitutional debt limitation of the District, as required by the Local Finance Law.

SECTION 13. This bond resolution shall take effect upon approval of such proposition (in accordance with the provisions of the Local Finance Law) by such qualified voters at such special District meeting and vote.

12.0.4 CONSENT AGENDA: BOND RESOLUTION

Moved by Trustee Elizabeth Koch and seconded by Vice President Danielle Opalinski that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the above Item 12.5 as presented. Approved 6-0 and carried.

Trustee Mr. Calabrese	Aye	Trustee Mrs. Opalinski	Aye
Trustee Mrs. Gilbert	Aye	Trustee Mrs. Schmutzler	Aye
Trustee Mrs. Koch	Aye	President Ms. Sternin	Aye

12.6 SPECIAL VOTE AND LEGAL NOTICE

WHEREAS, The City School District of the City of Tonawanda, Erie County, New York (the “District”) desires to undertake a “TONA2020: Elementary School Improvement & Consolidation Project” consisting of the reconstruction and renovation of, and the construction of improvements, additions and upgrades to the Fletcher Elementary School building and facilities (and the sites thereof), and the related consolidation of the District’s three elementary schools into a single improved elementary school campus at Fletcher, with such work to include the acquisition and installation of original furnishings, equipment, machinery, and apparatus required for the purposes for which such building, facilities and sites are used (collectively, the “Project”), all as described in greater detail in a bond resolution of the Board that was adopted on August 27, 2019 (the “Bond Resolution”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the District (the “Board”) has previously adopted, with respect to the proposed Project, (a) a Negative Declaration (concluding that the proposed Project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment), pursuant to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) of the Environmental Conservation Law of New York and (b) a resolution of necessity, pursuant to Section 2512(3) of the Education Law of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Board seeks to finance the cost of the Project by levying a tax upon the taxable property of the District to be collected in annual installments over certain periods, and in anticipation of such tax, to issue obligations of the District pursuant to the Bond Resolution; and

WHEREAS, Section 37.00 of the Local Finance Law, as amended, provides that a resolution (such as the Bond Resolution) authorizing the issuance of obligations by a city school district shall not become effective unless a proposition approving such resolution shall have been adopted at a

special or annual school district meeting held in accordance with applicable provisions of the Education Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board as follows:

SECTION 1. The Board hereby finds and determines that pursuant to the provisions of the Education Law and the Local Finance Law, when the adoption of a proposition is a condition precedent to the effectiveness of a bond resolution authorizing the issuance of obligations of a small city school district, the Board is required to schedule a special meeting and vote at which the proposition approving the bond resolution can be considered by the qualified voters of such district.

SECTION 2. The Board takes note of the fact that the District has been in the process of planning for the Project and, as part of that process, pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), an Environmental Assessment Form has been completed for the Project, which is a Type I Action under SEQRA, a thorough review of the Project’s potential environmental impacts has been undertaken, it has been found that the Project will not result in a significant adverse impact on the environment, and a written, reasoned elaboration of the SEQRA determination of significance has been provided in a Negative Declaration.

SECTION 3. In consequence of the foregoing, the Board hereby determines to schedule a special meeting and vote for Tuesday, October 22, 2019 (the “Special Meeting and Vote”) to submit to the qualified voters of the District a proposition for the purpose of seeking the approval by such voters of the Bond Resolution that authorizes the Project and sets forth the plan for the Project’s financing.

SECTION 4. The Board further determines that the legal notice of the Special Meeting and Vote shall be published in the manner and times as required under the Education Law. Specifically, the notice shall be published in the Tonawanda Sun and the Niagara Gazette (being two newspapers having general circulation within the District) at least four times within the seven-week period immediately preceding the Special Meeting and Vote, with the first such publication to occur at least 45 days prior to the Special Meeting and Vote.

SECTION 5. The Board hereby determines that the legal notice of the Special Meeting and Vote shall be published in substantially the following form:

**THE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF TONAWANDA
ERIE COUNTY, NEW YORK
NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING AND VOTE
TONA2020: ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT & CONSOLIDATION PROJECT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting and vote (the “Special Meeting and Vote”) of The City School District of the City of Tonawanda, Erie County, New York (the “District”), will be held on Tuesday, October 22, 2019, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., prevailing time, in the Wellness Gymnasium of the High School at 600 Fletcher Street, in Tonawanda, New York, for the purpose of voting (by electronic scan voting machines) upon the proposition set forth below. In the event that the District’s schools are closed on October 22, 2019 due to inclement weather (or for any other reason), the date of the Special Meeting and Vote shall be changed (without the necessity of further notice) to the day on which the District’s schools are next open.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the voting at the Special Meeting and Vote shall consist of voting on the following proposition:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1 – BOND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A
“TONA2020: ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT &
CONSOLIDATION PROJECT” (AND THE FINANCING THEREOF)**

Shall that certain bond resolution that was adopted on August 27, 2019 by the Board of Education of The City School District of the City of Tonawanda, Erie County, New York (the “Board”), entitled:

A BOND RESOLUTION, DATED AUGUST 27, 2019, OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF TONAWANDA, ERIE COUNTY, NEW YORK (THE “DISTRICT”), AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT (A) TO UNDERTAKE AND FINANCE A “TONA2020: ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT & CONSOLIDATION PROJECT” CONSISTING OF THE RECONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION OF, AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS, ADDITIONS AND UPGRADES TO THE FLETCHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING AND FACILITIES (AND THE SITES THEREOF), AND THE RELATED CONSOLIDATION OF THE DISTRICT’S THREE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS INTO A SINGLE IMPROVED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAMPUS AT FLETCHER, ALL AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$53,469,266, (B) TO EXPEND OR APPLY TOWARD THE PROJECT (DURING THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR OF THE DISTRICT) \$5,000,000 FROM THE DISTRICT’S CAPITAL RESERVE FUND THAT WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2013, (C) TO EXPEND OR APPLY TOWARD THE PROJECT \$1,000,000 OF OTHER AVAILABLE (OR ANTICIPATED) DISTRICT FUNDS AND (D) TO FINANCE THE BALANCE OF THE COST OF SUCH PROJECT BY THE ISSUANCE OF SERIAL BONDS OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS OF THE DISTRICT IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$47,469,266 PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL FINANCE LAW, AND DELEGATING THE POWER TO ISSUE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE SALE OF SUCH OBLIGATIONS TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE DISTRICT

be approved, subject to the understanding that the obligations to be issued pursuant to such resolution may be issued in excess of the constitutional debt limitation of the District?

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the full text of such bond resolution is available for public inspection at the District offices during regular District business hours.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Environmental Assessment Form has been completed for the Project described in Proposition No. 1, which is a Type I Action under SEQRA, a thorough review of such Project’s potential environmental impacts has been undertaken, it has been found that such Project will not result in a significant adverse impact on the environment, and a written, reasoned elaboration of the SEQRA determination of significance has been provided in a Negative Declaration.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots for purposes of voting will be obtained at the office of the District Clerk between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., prevailing time. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the Special Meeting and Vote, if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or on the day before the Special Meeting and Vote if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. A list of persons to whom absentee ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the office of the District Clerk between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., prevailing time, on weekdays prior to the day set for the Special Meeting and Vote and on October 22, 2019, the day set for the Special Meeting and Vote. Any qualified

voter then present in the polling place may object to the voting of the ballot upon appropriate grounds by making his/her challenge and the reasons therefor known to the Inspectors of Election before the close of the polls. No absentee ballot will be canvassed unless it is received in the office of the District Clerk prior to 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, on October 22, 2019.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, to be eligible to vote, a resident of the District must be properly registered. A person is properly registered if the person has registered for general election purposes or has registered for school election purposes.

Dated: Tonawanda, New York
August 27, 2019

By Order of the Board of Education of
The City School District of the City of Tonawanda

District Clerk

SECTION 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

12.0.5 CONSENT AGENDA: SPECIAL VOTE AND LEGAL NOTICE

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the above Item 12.6 as presented. Approved 6-0 and carried.

Trustee Mr. Calabrese	Aye	Trustee Mrs. Opalinski	Aye
Trustee Mrs. Gilbert	Aye	Trustee Mrs. Schmutzler	Aye
Trustee Mrs. Koch	Aye	President Ms. Sternin	Aye

13.0 ATTENDANCE REPORT **NONE**

14.0 BOARD INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 14.1 Facility Usage Report
- 14.2 Home Instruction Handbook

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*)

Vice President Opalinski Congratulations Mrs. Velasquez and Mr. Sellan on obtaining tenure. Attended school supply drive, and thanked everyone involved and everyone who donated. Reiterated that she supports the capital project and feels it is the best thing for students, staff and community. Asked that people don't confuse the city budget with school budgets. The school district has consistently remained under the tax cap, even having a decrease in this year's tax levy. Please come to the

presentations and show support October 22. To the staff, we appreciate you and your hard work. To the students, have a terrific year.

- Mrs. Koch Thanked Dr. Oldenburg and team for moving the initiative ahead. Always felt like it was stalled. Thanked everyone who donated to the back-to-school drive. Enjoyed seeing students who came to shop and enjoyed watching interaction between teachers and students.
- Mr. Calabrese Echoed everyone’s comments
- Mrs. Schmutzler Attended kindergarten orientation today. Classrooms and buildings look great. Thank you for conducting the emergency response drill. Very important feedback, sounds like a lot of good things came from it. Congratulations to tenured staff.
- Mrs. Gilbert Participated in the emergency response drill. Thank you for the opportunity to participate. JV and Varsity cheerleaders just returned from camp, and are ready for the year. Thank you to Mr. Hatten and his staff for their hard work. Congratulations to Mr. Sellan and Mrs. Velasquez.
- President Sternin Very excited to put the referendum out to the community. It’s a wonderful vision for the district and thank you to everyone who worked so hard to get us here. Congratulations Mr. Sellan. Parents say what a wonderful principal he is. Congratulations to Mrs. Velasquez as well. Looking forward to addressing the district tomorrow morning.

17.0 ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Elizabeth Koch and seconded by Trustee Daniel Calabrese that the Board of Education adjourns the meeting at 7:12 PM. Approved 6-0 and carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dana Maxwell
District Clerk