



TONA 2020 Minutes
September 23, 2015

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1. Trautman Architect - Richard Gehring presented on our visit to Albany and the potential for state aid as well as the conceptual design for one elementary campus.
 - a. Funding mechanisms were discussed
 - b. Review of conceptual design - # of classrooms = \$ of state aid
 - c. Special education needs were discussed as well as enrichment programs
 - d. Ancillary areas needed to be identified – administration, auditorium, gymnasiums
 - e. Need to justify the number of classrooms by using enrollment projections and BOE class size recommendations.
 - f. Building aid units were about \$20,000,000 for the reconstruction and additions for Fletcher. In addition some building aid units were provided for the expansion of the aud, construction of the cafeteria and gymnasium.
 - g. A disposition plan will need to be developed regarding Mullen and Riverview. The maximum allowable cost (MAC) for Mullen and Riverview over five years after the project completion was calculated by SED. They came back with one round of renovations that would have had to be done and that figure came out to \$11,000,000, so between the Building Aid Units for the renovation and reconstruction of Fletcher is $\$20,000,000 + \$11,000,000 = \$31,000,000$ in potential aid. Our aid ratio is 85.2%.
 - h. The design committee will need to discuss the conceptual design and consider cost and design of the building.
 - i. Several reports have been completed in the last seven years and that was helpful with updating the long range planning committee.

2. Construction Manager RFP
 - a. An RFP is being developed and will be sent out for a construction manager. The RFP will go out shortly asking for a construction manager that will meet the guidelines in the proposal. We hope to have the construction manager on board in December. The RFP should include public relations assistance with the construction manager.
3. Fall of 2016 – possible referendum
4. Subcommittee discussion and sign up. An e-mail will be sent out to TONA 2020 members to identify which committee they would like to work on.

Mission Statement - All stakeholders will work towards developing a district long range strategic plan to create an individualized, quality education program for students as well as engage student and community partners within a positive school climate while securing district financial solvency for future years.

Vision - Promote the Community/School District Connection by creating the best educational environment for student learning

Motto - All Stakeholders – One Voice



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SUBCOMMITTEES

1. Curriculum/Program (Subcommittee Chair - Scullion) – This group will examine the educational program for a pre k - 5 building. They will also review staffing needs and potential reductions and long term savings (information will be shared with finance subcommittee). This group will also work with the architect to plan the design of the Fletcher campus.

Potential members of this committee:

Oliver, Scullion, Starr, Mysliwy, Badgley, Grosskopf, Halgash, Zirnheld, Edgerton, Drmacich, Panaro, Zarcone, McKenna, Maziarz, Davis

2. Finance (Subcommittee Chair - Harris) - This group will look at the financial impact of the project on the community. They will exam what is needed to make the project tax rate as close to net neutral for the taxpayers in the City of Tonawanda. Present energy costs will be reviewed and potential energy savings should be calculated. The finance committee will also identify what should be done with Mullen and Riverview if the project came to fruition. We need a disposition plan for SED on the utilization of these two buildings. Building aid changes as a result of closing Mullen and Riverview will be reviewed and will be part of the financial committee work. Selling versus holding these facilities will affect building aid. What is our best option? QZAB's will be looked into as well as our capital reserve fund balance.

Potential members of this committee:

Opalinski, Misner, Riemer, Smilinich, Hitzges, Harris, Newton