

Four County School Boards Association

2022-2023

Annual Report



Annual Business Meeting and Dinner

May 23, 2023

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Student Participation:

Art Work Contributions: Dundee CSD, Honeoye CSD, Lyons CSD, Manchester-Shortsville CSD, Marion CSD, Newark CSD, Seneca Falls CSD, and Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES

Entertainment: Canandaigua CSD - Jazz Band

Welcome: 2nd Vice President Carrie Resch

Dinner

Annual Business Meeting

Pledge of Allegiance: President Russ Harris

Minutes of May 26, 2022 Annual Meeting: President Russ Harris

Voting Results of the Officer's Election: Nominating Committee Chair, Past President Robin Johnson

Slate of Officers 2023-2024:

- ◆ President - **Joe McNamara** (Seneca Falls BOE)
- ◆ Vice President - **Carrie Resch** (Wayne BOE)

Incoming President remarks: Joe McNamara

Voting Results of Banking Designation/Signatories: President Russ Harris

Adjourn Business meeting

Introduction of Guest Speaker: President Russ Harris

Guest Speaker:

New York State Teacher of the Year - Billy Green, Jr.

Chemistry Teacher at A. Philip Randolph Campus High School in Manhattan, New York

Executive Director Closing Remarks: Stephen P. Miskell, Ed.D.



Thank you to our Annual Meeting Sponsors!

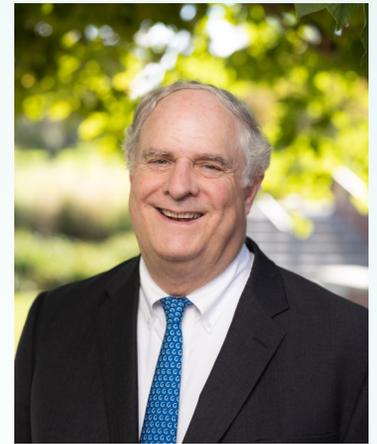


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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dear Members,

As the Executive Director of the Four County School Boards Association, my work is focused on the mission, vision, and goals of our organization. Our vision is to provide a respected and strong collective voice for excellence in public education. The mission of the Four County School Boards Association is to provide training and advocacy opportunities to support and advance excellence in public education and to promote the achievement of all students through effective governance. Our goals are created to ensure that our efforts throughout the school year support the mission and vision of our organization. I am happy to report that the *2022-2023* school year has proven to be productive and quite positive for our membership because we have been steadfast in providing programming and training opportunities to carry out our mission. We have also maintained a consistent and concerted effort to advocate for our member districts. We continue to provide professional development meetings in person and via Zoom, and once again have the opportunity to celebrate a successful year by holding our Annual Membership Meeting in person, at Club 86 in Geneva.



I am finishing my second year as the Executive Director of the Four County School Boards Association, proud of the work we have accomplished together over the *2022-2023* school year. At the beginning of the year, I set a goal for myself to attend a board of education meeting at each of our member districts. I enjoyed the opportunity to visit each district in person and become more familiar with board members and superintendents throughout our region. I met regularly with our Legislative Committee, a very active and hard-working group of people who develop our State, Federal, and Regents Position Papers, which are vital to our advocacy efforts. A summary of the work of each of our committees (Audit, Policy & Bylaws, and the Legislative Committee) is included within the Annual Report document.

I am grateful to have the opportunity to collaborate with educational leaders who have long been associated with the Four County School Boards Association, namely our President, Russ Harris, our Vice President, Joe McNamara, and Sue Wyatt, our Coordinator of Membership Services. I meet with those folks often, and always find our time together to be purposeful and meaningful.

Educational leaders always benefit from taking the time to reflect on their work, and how it benefits children. As I reflect on the work of our organization over the past year, I am proud of our accomplishments, and trust that our work has a positive impact on our schoolchildren. I look forward to a new year of service and commitment on behalf of our membership as we begin planning for the *2023-2024* school year.

Thank you for your ongoing service and devotion to children.

Sincerely,

Stephen P. Miskell, Ed.D.
Executive Director

In addition to Four County SBA meetings the Executive Director attended the following meetings and events:

- ◆ Rural Schools Association Summer Conference - July 11-12, 2022 Cooperstown
- ◆ NYSSBA Law Conference - July 14, 2022 Rochester
- ◆ NYSSBA Leadership in Education Event - August 12-13, 2022 Albany
- ◆ NYSSBA Convention - October 27-28, 2022
- ◆ Rural Schools Association Winter Conference - December 1-2, 2022 - Saratoga Springs
- ◆ NSBA Equity Symposium in Washington, D.C. - January 28, 2023

COLLABORATIVE ACTIVITIES

The Four County School Boards Association continues it's long tradition of working in close collaboration with other associations and educational agencies on projects and topics of mutual interest. This collaboration includes (but is not limited to) attending meetings, assisting with arrangements, and sharing notices of scheduled events.

Collaborative initiatives for 2022-2023 included:

- ◆ C.O.L.S.B.A. - Council Of Local School Boards Associations
- ◆ Area 2 Discussion of Proposed NYSSBA Positions with Monroe County SBA, Genesee Valley SBA, NYSSBA Governmental Relations Representative John Daley, and Discussion Leader Maureen Nupp, Monroe One BOCES BOE Member
- ◆ Rural Schools Association - Executive Director David Little joined Four County SBA to Emcee our First Annual Spring Conference.
- ◆ We have an ongoing collaboration with the Genesee Valley School Board Association and the Monroe County School Board Association.

STAFF

Executive Director **Stephen Miskell, Ed.D.** • Coordinator of Membership Services **Sue Wyatt**

2022-2023 POLICY COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

The Policy Committee Chaired by **Lynn Gay** (Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES) met 2 times in 2022-2023

January 25, 2023 • February 22, 2023 • The Committee worked on the following policies:

1) Audit Committee Guidelines

2) Document Retention and Destruction Policy

3) Nominating Committee Guidelines

4) Roles and Responsibilities of Officers

The Board of Directors approved all four policies at their March 16, 2023 meeting.

2022-2023 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS



PRESIDENT
RUSS HARRIS
(NEWARK CSD)



1ST VICE PRESIDENT
AUDIT COMMITTEE CHAIR
JOE MCNAMARA
(SENECA FALLS CSD, WFL BOCES)



2ND VICE PRESIDENT
CARRIE RESCH
(WAYNE CSD)



PAST PRESIDENT
NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIR
ROBIN JOHNSON
(PENN YAN CSD)



TREASURER
BETH THOMAS
(CANANDAIGUA CSD)



POLICY COMMITTEE CHAIR
LYNN GAY
(WAYNE-FINGER LAKES BOCES)



LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR
EMILY FISHER
(GENEVA CSD)



LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR
JULIE NEVELIZER
(NEWARK CSD)

Audit Committee

Chair, 1st Vice President Joe McNamara (Seneca Falls CSD, WFL BOCES)
Treasurer Beth Thomas (Canandaigua CSD)
Christine Quinlan - Director of Finance and Operations (Wayne CSD)
Julie Nevelizer (Newark CSD)
Jennifer Schoene (Wayne CSD)

Nominating Committee

Chair Past President Robin Johnson (Penn Yan CSD)
James Sykes (Honeoye CSD)
Julie Nevelizer (Newark CSD)
Linda Eygnor (North Rose-Wolcott CSD)

Policy & Bylaws Committee

Chair Lynn Gay (Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES)
Beth Thomas (Canandaigua CSD)
Julie Nevelizer (Newark CSD)
Tracy Altman (Phelps-Clifton Springs CSD)

FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR THE ANNUAL REPORT - May 23, 2023

The Audit Committee met on October 7, 2022, and February 7, 2023. The results were favorable, and all records are in good order. The yearly bond to protect Four County has been reissued by CNA Surety in the amount of \$257.00.

As Treasurer, I continue to work with Sue Wyatt to review the financials on a monthly basis. Sue does a great job of keeping all records up to date.

Beth Thomas
Treasurer

 **Four County School Boards Association**

To: Board of Directors Date: October 7, 2022

From: Audit Committee

Re: Semi Annual Audit for **2021-2022**

We have examined the records supporting the attached cash position of the Association from *July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022*. We have verified the transactions for this period then referred back to the underlying bank record evidence. We are pleased to report that the record maintenance is in good order and that the cash position as reported, is correct.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe McNamara

Audit Committee Chair - Joe McNamara - Four County SBA 1st Vice President
Seneca Falls BOE and Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES BOE

Unable to attend
Beth Thomas - Four County SBA Treasurer - Canandaigua BOE
Christine Quinlan

Christine Quinlan - Director of Finance and Operations - Wayne CSD

Julie Nevelizer

Julie Nevelizer - Newark BOE

unable to attend
Jennifer Schoene - Wayne BOE

Notes, Suggestions, or Actions needed: _____

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Seneca Falls BOE and Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES BOE

Beth Thomas - Four County SBA Treasurer - Canandaigua BOE

Christine Quinlan

Christine Quinlan - Director of Finance and Operations - Wayne CSD

Julie Nevelizer

Julie Nevelizer - Newark BOE

Jennifer Schoene

Jennifer Schoene - Wayne BOE

Notes, Suggestions, or Actions needed: _____

2022-2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors met 4 times in 2022-2023
 August 30, 2022 • November 29, 2022 • January 24, 2023 • March 16, 2023

Agenda Setting Meetings were held 4 times in 2022-2023
 August 16, 2022 • November 1, 2022 • January 10, 2023 • March 2, 2023

Board of Directors

Bloomfield - Delegate: Pam Nakoski, Alternate: Jim Spelman
Canandaigua - Delegate: Jennifer Tessendorf, Alternate: Megan Personale
Clyde-Savannah - Delegate: Pam Anstee, Alternate: Veronica Dapolito
Dundee - Delegate: Brittany Gibson, Alternate: Jared Webster
Gananda - Delegate: Robin Vogt, Alternate: Bill Buchko
Geneva - Delegate: Emily Fisher
Honeoye - Delegate: Jim Sykes
Lyons - Delegate: Rich Henry, Alternate: Randy Wadhams
Manchester-Shortsville - Delegate: Barbara Gardner, Alternate: Heather Bachman
Marcus Whitman - Delegate: Sheila Brown, Alternate: Cindy Hall
Marion - Delegate: Amber Taber, Alternate: Michele Kueling
Newark - Delegate: Julie Nevelizer, Alternate: Russ Harris
North Rose-Wolcott - Delegate: Linda Eynor, Alternate: Lucinda Collier
Penn Yan - Delegate: Robin Johnson
Phelps-Clifton Springs - Delegate: Tracy Altman, Alternate: Lindsay Marino
Seneca Falls - Delegate: Debra Corsner, Alternate: Joe McNamara
Sodus - Delegate: Jason Walters
South Seneca - Delegate: Peter Jennings
Wayne - Delegate: Carrie Resch
Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES - Delegate: Lynn Gay, Alternate: Anne Morgan
Williamson - Delegates: Jamie Sonnevile, Angela DeFisher, Francis Gasparri,
 Geoffrey Governor, and Ashtyon Mohanlall

**THE FOUR COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION'S NEW LOGO**

Four County SBA held a new Logo Contest asking students to help us redesign the association's logo. At the January 24th Board of Directors Meeting the Board reviewed 17 submissions and chose the winning logo. Student Designers are **Oktoher "Tohbi" Edmister** and **Vera Butchko** are both in Graphic Arts at Newark High School. They worked collaboratively to create the Four County School Boards Association logo. Tohbi is a talented tenth grader who is interested in many creative hobbies. Tohbi is a stage manager for the school theater and musicals. Vera is a twelfth grader who has brilliant ideas that are expressed through multiple mediums of Art. Vera has been accepted into the Music Recording Technology program at Finger Lakes Community College. She is working to produce music and music festivals in the future. President Russ Harris presented gift cards to Tohbi and Vera to thank them for their work.



Left to right: Keely McGowan, Art Teacher, Russ Harris, Tohbi Edmister, Vera Butchko, Newark High School Principal Kelly Zielke, and Newark Superintendent Susan Hasenauer

The Legislative Committee was led by Co-Chairs **Emily Fisher** (Geneva CSD) and **Julie Nevelizer** (Newark CSD). The committee worked tirelessly this past year while meeting 1 Saturday each month September through June. The important work performed by the Legislative Committee is summarized below.

Activities sponsored by the Legislative Committee during 2022-2023 included:

- ◆ The Legislative Committee completed State and Federal Position Papers then shared them with State and Federal Legislative Representatives
- ◆ October 15, 2022 - Dr. Shawn Van Skoy, Gananda Superintendent attended to discuss the Healthy School Meals for All NY Kids coalition meeting on October 12, 2022
- ◆ Capital Conference - February 10, 2023
- ◆ NYSSBA Lobby Day, Albany - February 15, 2023 - Attendees met with 6 Four County Legislative Representatives
- ◆ Assemblyman Jeff Gallahan will attend the June 3, 2023 Legislative Committee Meeting
- ◆ Regent Adrian Hale, 7th Judicial District will join the September 9, 2023 Legislative Committee Meeting. Regent Hale represents Cayuga, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, and Yates counties.

Legislative Committee Representatives

Bloomfield - Delegate: Scott Layton, Alternate: Caroline Nevil

Canandaigua - Delegate: Julianne Miller, Alternate: Beth Thomas

Clyde-Savannah - Delegate: Pam Anstee, Alternate: Veronica Dapolito

Dundee - Delegate: Robert Neu, Alternate: Brittany Gibson

Gananda - Delegate: Bill Buchko, Alternate: Robin Vogt

Geneva - Delegate: Emily Fisher

Honeoye - Delegate: Jim Sykes

Lyons - Delegate: Rich Henry, Alternate: Randy Wadhams

Manchester-Shortsville - Delegate: Barbara Gardner, Alternate: Heather Bachman

Marcus Whitman - Delegate: Phyllis Frantel, Alternate: Cindy Hall

Marion - Delegate: Amber Taber, Alternate: Michele Kueling

Newark - Delegate: Julie Nevelizer, Alternate: Russ Harris

North Rose-Wolcott - Delegate: Linda Eygnor, Alternate: Lucinda Collier

Penn Yan - Delegate: Robin Johnson

Phelps-Clifton Springs - Delegate: Jamie McCarrick, Alternate: Matthew Murphy

Seneca Falls - Delegate: Joe McNamara, Alternate: Heather Zellers

Sodus - Delegate: Jason Walters

South Seneca - Delegate: Peter Jennings

Wayne - Delegate: Dennis Landry, Alternate: Jennifer Schoene

Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES - Delegate: O.J. Sahler, Alternate: Phil Rose

Williamson - Delegates: All Board Members



Meeting With
Senator
Pam Helming
on Lobby Day
In Albany



2022-2023 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

- ◆ **"Anti-Harassment of Students and Staff/Reporting Requirements for Child Abuse in an Educational Setting"**
Sara Visingard, Esq. Harris Beach PLLC (*Hybrid - Attendees - 32, Member Districts - 9*) September 20, 2022
- ◆ **"You Don't Know What You Don't Know"** - Roundtable discussion with Veteran Board Members, NYSSBA's Director of Leadership Development Darci D'Ercole and Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES District Superintendent Dr. Vicky Ramos (*Hybrid - Attendees - 26, Member Districts - 10*) October 18, 2022
- ◆ **"School Safety and Security"** - Panel discussion - What resources are available to area school districts to provide a safe learning environment for our school children? Wayne County Sheriff Robert Milby, Anne McGinnis Esq., Harris Beach PLLC, Dr. Matthew Miraglia, Founder and Owner of CLPTS/Tap App, Heather Harer, VP of Strategic Partnerships, Intra Logic Solutions, Michael Pullen Superintendent-North Rose-Wolcott CSD, Susan Hasenauer Superintendent-Newark CSD, Julia Solan UPK-12 Family Outreach-Community Schools Coordinator-Newark CSD, Jose Otero Director of Security- Newark CSD, Steve Chatterton, Director of Security-Greece CSD, and John Kelly, Coordinator of Safety and Security-Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES (*Hybrid - Attendees - 52, Member Districts - 15*) November 15, 2022
- ◆ **"Re-Thinking Poverty Indicators in K-12 Education"** - TARA THOMAS - Analyst, Public Policy and Advocacy for The School Superintendents Association, AASA and National Rural Education Advocacy Coalition Representative and HEATHER ZELLERS - Director of Information and Advocacy for the Rural Schools Association of New York and Chair of the National Rural Education Advocacy Coalition, Heather also sits on the Seneca Falls CSD Board of Education (*Zoom - Attendees - 24, Member Districts - 8*) December 6, 2022
- ◆ **"Business and STEM Education Partnerships"** - C&S Companies-Construction Management Group - C&S Companies Administrative Principal Terry Hopkins, K-12 Department Manager Mike DiPerna, and Business Development Representative Sharon Sweeny shared some of the ways C&S Companies supports STEM education in school districts (*Hybrid - Attendees - 22, Member Districts - 9*) January 31, 2023
- ◆ **"Caring About Culture: Leadership Strategies to retain world Class Educators"** - Matt Frahm, Ed.D. Superintendent of Clarence Central School District (*Hybrid - Attendees - 22, Member Districts - 10 and Non-Member Districts - 1*) Also in attendance: 2 guests from St. John Fisher University) April 18, 2023
- ◆ **Spring Conference - "School Safety, Security & Mental Health Planning and Preparation"** - Emcee David Little Rural Schools Association Executive Director, Key Note Speaker: David Budz - Retired FBI Special Agent, State Education Department: Dr. Jim Baldwin, Senior Deputy Commissioner, Laura Glass, Senior Policy Advisor for Higher Education in the Office of Higher Education, David Frank, Chief of Staff, Office of Education Policy, Breakout sessions: Improving Communication during a Critical Incident, Threat Assessment, Safety Tips for Transportation Professionals, Planning and preparation for school personnel for after school activities and athletic events, Touch • Alert • Protect - Introduction to the TAP APP Hazard and threat management crisis communications mobile application system, Innovative Interoperability Solution (ALERT powered by FourDScape) Keeping Students and Staff Safe by Providing Law Enforcement Immediate Intelligence, and Emergency Response Planning - Breakout Session Presenters: Dr. Matthew Miraglia, Founder and Owner of CLPTS/Tap App, Heather Harer, VP of Innovation and Acceleration, Intralogic Solutions, Steve Zaferakis, Director of Assessments at Armoured One LLC, John Kelly, Coordinator of Safety and Security-Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES, Michael Pullen Superintendent-North Rose-Wolcott CSD, Susan Hasenauer Superintendent-Newark CSD, Julia Solan UPK-12 Family Outreach-Community Schools Coordinator-Newark CSD, Jose Otero Director of Security- Newark CSD, and Steve Chatterton, Director of Security-Greece CSD (*WFL BOCES Conference Center Attendees - 80, Member Districts - 14, Non-Member Districts - 2*) (Ontario County Sheriff's Office - 5 and Monroe County Sheriff's Office - 1) March 24, 2023
- ◆ **Annual Meeting - New York State Teacher of the Year, Billy Green, Jr.** (Club 86, Geneva) May 23, 2023

All Hybrid meetings were held in the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Conference Center and Zoom

Mandated Governance Training - June 11, 2022

Stephen P. Miskell, Ed.D., Executive Director

Russ Harris, President (Newark)

Joe McNamara, 1st Vice President (Seneca Falls)

David Little, Esq., Executive Director Rural Schools Association

Kelly Dixon, Board Clerk (Williamson)

Marygrace Mazzullo, Superintendent (Williamson)

Jessica Sheridan, Director of Staff Development (Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES)

Sara Visingard, Partner, Harris Beach PLLC

11 New School Board of Education Members attended

Mandated Fiscal Training - July 23, 2022

Stephen P. Miskell, Ed.D., Executive Director

Russ Harris, President (Newark)

Joe McNamara, 1st Vice President (Seneca Falls)

Tom Nespeca, NYSSBA Treasurer

Richard Walker, Director of Finance and Operations, Marion CSD

Melissa Duerr, CPA, Principal, Mengel Metzger Barr & Co. LLP,

Thomas C. Zuber, CPA, Partner, Mengel Metzger Barr & Co. LLP .

7 New School Board of Education Members attended

Seminar for Prospective School Board Members Panel - March 4, 2023

Stephen P. Miskell, Ed.D., Executive Director

Russ Harris, President (Newark)

Joe McNamara, 1st Vice President (Seneca Falls)

Michael Pullen Superintendent (North Rose-Wolcott)

Julie Nevilizer, Legislative Committee Chair (Newark)

Mary Thoms, New Board Member Perspective (Newark)

Anne M. McGinnis, PH.D. Senior Counsel, Harris Beach PLLC, Attorneys at Law

5 Perspective School Board of Education Candidates attended the seminar via Zoom

New School Board Member Get Acquainted Evening - June 7, 2022

12 Attendees - 6 Newly Elected School Board of Education Members



Four County School Boards Association

Stephen P. Miskell, Ed.D., Executive Director

Minutes for Annual Meeting

May 26, 2022

The Four County School Boards Association held their 47th Annual Business Meeting on Thursday, May 26, 2022. There were 89 attendees representing 16 Member and Non-Member Districts.

Welcome: First Vice President Joe McNamara introduced himself and welcomed everyone in attendance and thanked Superintendent Andy Doell and the Bloomfield students jazz band and jazz choir for sharing their musical talents with us this evening.

Second Vice President Carrie Resch introduced herself and thanked the school districts that contributed student artwork for everyone to enjoy this evening: Honeoye CSD, Newark CSD, Phelps-Clifton Springs CSD, and Seneca Falls CSD. South Seneca CSD also contributed artwork. Carrie commented on what talented students we have in our region and hoped everyone would enjoy their dinner.

Business Meeting: After dinner, President Russ Harris called the Business Meeting to order at 7:00 pm and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Russ stated the minutes from last year's Annual meeting are in the Annual Report on the table and emailed to member districts. Member Districts were sent ballots to vote on at their Board of Education meetings, their District Clerk then submitted the ballot to Four County SBA and the results are as follows:
 - Banking designation for 2022-2023: Reliant Credit Union
 - Banking Signatories for 2022-2023:
 - Executive Director, Stephen P, Miskell, Ed.D.
 - President, Russell Harris
 - 1st Vice President, Joe McNamara
 - Treasurer, Sue Campbell
- President Harris then introduced Past President and Chair of the Nominating Committee Robin Johnson
 - Past President Johnson announced the results of the officer election for 2022-2023:
 - President - Russell Harris, Newark CSD
 - 1st Vice President - Joe McNamara, Seneca Falls CSD and Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES BOE
 - 2nd Vice President - Carrie Resch, Wayne CSD
- Robin Congratulated the officers
- President Harris announced the changes to the Bylaws that had been suggested by the Policy Committee and Board of Directors and included on the ballot had passed unanimously.
- Russ Adjourned the Business Meeting at 7:10 pm.

Annual Meeting Guest Speakers: President Harris introduced Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES District Superintendent Dr. Vicky Ramos who introduced the evenings guest speakers:

- New York State Commissioner of Education, Dr. Betty A. Rosa
- New York State Board of Regents, Chancellor Lester W. Young, Jr - Regent at Large
- Regent Wade Norwood - Regent at Large
- Regent Ruth Turner - 7th Judicial District
- Dr. Ramos also introduced their associate from the New York State Department of Education, Assistant Commissioner for Public Affairs, Emily DeSantis

President Harris then turned the evening over to Executive Director Steve Miskell.

Dr. Miskell introduced guests attending the meeting:

- Representing New York Assembly District 130, Assemblyman Brian Manktelow
- Representing New York Assembly District 131, Assemblyman Jeff Gallahan
- Representing Senator Chuck Schumer's office, Andrew Cook, Deputy Regional Director in the Finger Lakes Office
- Representing Senator Samra Brouk's office, Maria Fisher, Director of Community Outreach
- Rural Schools Association, Executive Director David Little, Esq.
- NYSSBA representatives, Barry Entwistle and Rodney George

Dr. Miskell then Thanked C&S Companies and Hunt EAS for their sponsorship of this evening's meeting.

Dr. Miskell welcomed business sponsors in attendance and thanked them for their continued support.

- C&S Companies, Mike DiPerna and JD Pabis
- Campus Construction, George Spinaris, Connor Magiera
- Day Automation, Ted DeVoe
- Ferrara Fiorenza PC, Jeffrey Lewis, Allison Marley
- Harris Beach PLLC, Sara Visingard, Anne McGinnis
- LaBella Associates, Glenn Niles
- SEI Design Group, Eric Tomosky, Diana Morey

Dr. Miskell thanked all the attendees from both member and non-member districts for their participation. He thanked the legislative committee for forming the questions for the guest speakers and then started moderating the question/answer session with the guest speakers.

During the evening attendees had a chance to enter a raffle for a basket of Finger Lakes region red and white wine and glasses made by Dr. Vicky Ramos. To enter the raffle; participants filled out a raffle ticket with meeting topics and/or speakers they would like for 2022-2023. At the end of the event Dr. Miskell announced the winner of the raffle with Sue Wyatt pulling the winning ticket from the basket. The winner was Pam Anstee from Clyde-Savannah CSD.

Respectfully submitted by:

Sue Wyatt

Coordinator of Membership Services



Four County School Boards Association

VISION, MISSION & GOALS

Vision Statement

A respected and strong collective voice for excellence in public education

Mission Statement

The Four County School Boards Association will provide training and advocacy opportunities to support and advance excellence in public education and promote the achievement of all students through effective governance.

Beliefs

With students at the heart of our work, the Four County School Boards Association is committed to acting professionally, collegially and ethically.

Goals and Objectives

- 1. The Association will attract, develop and retain effective local school board members by:**
 - a. Providing compelling programs and workshops on relevant topics
 - b. Conducting a seminar for prospective school board members
 - c. Conducting an orientation and providing additional opportunities of engagement for newly elected board members
 - d. Utilizing technology to communicate effectively
 - e. Providing networking opportunities

- 2. The Association will provide timely training and professional development opportunities of exceptional quality in a cost-effective manner such as:**
 - a. State mandated governance and fiscal training
 - b. Skill building workshops (e.g., advocacy workshop)
 - c. Keynote and guest speakers on relevant topics
 - d. Presentations on regional best practices and successful programs and initiatives

- 3. The Association will establish and maintain mutually beneficial partnerships by:**
 - a. Expanding our knowledge of organizations with similar values, interests, and goals
 - b. Seeking opportunities for collaboration with other associations and organizations
 - c. Developing and supporting common positions related to advocacy
 - d. Identifying and participating in events sponsored by collaborative associations and organizations

- 4. The Association will positively impact legislative, regulatory, and other constituent groups by:**
 - a. Educating individual members and boards regarding legislative/regulatory issues impacting education
 - b. Increasing the number of individuals and boards involved in advocacy and legislative issues which impact education
 - c. Authoring, adopting, and sharing the Association's positions regarding legislative and regulatory issues

- d. Attending lobbying events locally, in Albany and in Washington D.C.
- e. Creating opportunities for member boards to connect with legislators and members of other agencies that impact their decision making

5. The Association will inform boards of relevant and emerging issues and trends in public education through:

- a. Featuring presenters at Association meetings and dinners
- b. Publishing a newsletter
- c. Providing links and emails related to emerging issues and resources
- d. Using various forms of social media and maintaining an effective, current website

6. The Association will strive for a high level of membership satisfaction to:

- a. Maximize and maintain Association membership
- b. Provide quality and timely events based on member needs and interests
- c. Increase participation of local boards in Association events and meetings
- d. Create an environment where members feel valued, welcomed, and heard

Adopted: May 29, 1990
Revised: February 2, 1995
Revised: 2001/2002
Revised: September 2014
Revised: November 2016
Revised: April 29, 2019
Revised: February 5, 2020

2022-2023 BUSINESS SPONSORS

Thank you to the following businesses for their generous support of *2022-2023* Programs and Projects through contributions of funds and/or time:

C& S Companies cscos.com (Annual Meeting Guest Speaker Expenses, Directory, Facts & Figures, Lanyards, Napkins, Notebooks, Pens, Spring Conference Booth/Superintendents Lunches, and Professional Development Presentation on “Business and STEM Education Partnerships”)

Campus Construction Management <http://www.campuscmg.com/> (Facts & Figures, Spring Conference)

Club 86 club86events.com (Dinners)

Day Automation dayautomation.com (Directory, Facts & Figures, Annual Meeting)

Ferrara Fiorenza PC <https://ferrarafirm.com/> (Facts & Figures)

Finger Lakes Community College www.flcc.edu (Facts & Figures, Spring Conference)

Harris Beach, PLLC <https://www.harrisbeach.com/>
(Facts & Figures, Mandated Governance Training, Prospective Board Seminar, Spring Conference)

Hunt Engineers, Architects & Surveyors www.hunt-eas.com
(Directory, Facts & Figures)

Gordon W. Jones Associates Architects, P.C. <https://gwjarchitects.com/>
(Facts & Figures)

LaBella Associates, D.P.C. www.labellapc.com (Facts & Figures)

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