Wayne-Finger Lakes Board of Cooperative Educational Services

Candidate Information Form

Name: Joseph F. McNamara School District: Seneca Falls CSD

PART I: Board Experience

I have been involved with the Seneca Falls Board of Education for more than 12 years, and have also been an active member of the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Board of Education for the past 3 years. I first became actively involved when asked to be a parent, community, small business representative to the 2004-2005 Seneca Falls – Waterloo Merger Study, where I cooperatively facilitated town hall meetings on the potential of the merger. I was then asked to assist the Board of Education by participating on a Community Finance Advisory Committee from 2006-2008, when I was elected to the SF Board of Education. I served as the Vice President of the Board from 2009, until elected President in 2012. I take a proactive support and guidance role in assisting our District's Administrative Team as we work through an extensive Capital Project, a current Merger Study, and implementation of the Common Core Learning Standards Initiative. During my tenure, I have attended State conventions and regional training sessions. I have worked to expand our Board's active role in advocacy through NYSSBA, 4 Counties School Board Association, and Rural Schools Associations, as well as promoting collaborative participation and communication among Board Leaders throughout Seneca County. In addition, I actively work to advocate open communication and collaboration among all stake-holders in education, striving to build school and community connections and strengthen cooperative resource-sharing, all with the ultimate goal of providing our students with the educational experiences and opportunities that will enable them to attain the skills and aptitudes necessary to succeed throughout their lives.

PART II: Interest in BOCES Board Seat

As an active Board member of the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES I would like to continue my work in expanding the essential role of facilitating collaboration and communication among all stake-holders in Education. BOCES assists local school districts in collaboratively and cooperatively maximizing local academic programs and specialized support services necessary to enable our students to attain currently identified skills and the ability to adapt and learn new skills they will need throughout their lives. In addition, BOCES extends academic program offerings by cooperatively providing vocational education opportunities, highly specialized instructional programs for special needs students, and a crosswalk for school – to – work opportunities. BOCES also provides collaborative educational leadership, professional development, and cooperative infra-structure services, to assist in maximizing efficiencies and effectiveness at all levels of education. My experience, facilitative support leadership style, and communication skills fit with the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES mission. I have been encouraged by colleagues, both locally and regionally, and am personally interested in continuing to providing support at the regional level.

I believe my record as a BOE Member at the local and regional levels, experience, skill set, and passion for supporting and strengthening our education system would be beneficial to the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Board of Education.

As a father of 5, with experience in farming, transportation, financial, and service industries, large and small business, self-employment, advocacy, mediation, and community service, I would like to further extend and expand my support of education at the regional level. I believe my experience, skill set, and passion for supporting and strengthening our education system would continue to be beneficial to the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Board.

PART III: Additional Information

Professional Development and Regional Experience:

2015	Presentation assistance at NYSSBA Annual Convention and Rural Schools Association Annual Convention
2013-Present	Rural Schools Association
2012-Present	Board Officers Academy (also 2010)
	NYSSBA Annual Convention & Education Expo
	4 Counties School Boards Association
2010-Present	NYSSBA Webinars
2009-Present	Statewide School Finance Consortium
2008	Fiscal Oversight – Governance Workshop
1998-Present	Center for Dispute Settlement – Certified Mediator

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Name: John Gould School District: Clyde Savannah

PART I: Board Experience
I was elected to the CS Board of Education in the May 2015 election. I have taken part in many Educational Opportunties since May and am always proud and amazed by what our students are able to accomplish. I am a member of the District Consolidation Committee which is exploring resources to balance the needs of the school community.

PART II: Interest in BOCES Board Seat
I am interested in the BOCES Board seat because I strive to expand my knowledge of the School Board as well as giving me another level of support for the education of our students.

PART III: Additional Information
I have lived in the Clyde Savannah area for 53 years. I am a graduate of Clyde Savannah High School. I am involved in the Clyde Savannah community in many ways. I am the President of the Clyde Community Market. I am the treasurer/secretary of the Protectives Company of the Clyde Fire Department. I am chairman of the planning committee for the Village of Clyde. I am a Sewer Commisioner for the Village of Clyde.I am an active member of the Clyde Historical Society and the Lions Club. I am also President of the Clyde Savannah Booster Club.

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Name: Philip Rose School District: Sodus

PART I: Board Experience

I have had the privilege of serving on the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Board for the past three years. I currently chair the Audit Committee and participate on the Building and Grounds Committee. I have partaken in Regional, State, and National training experiences, and have achieved a Level 2 Board Excellence Award from the New York State School Boards Association.

Before serving on the WFL-BOCES Board, I served on the Sodus Board of Education for four and a half years. During my time on that Board, I served on numerous committees, including Audit, Skateboard, Wayne County Education Coalition and the Board Retreat Planning Committee. I also participated in many search committees for Vice Principals, Principals, and a new Superintendent. Additionally, I served on the Four County School Boards Association Legislative Committee and Board of Directors, and also served as Chair of the Legislative Committee.

PART II: Interest in BOCES Board Seat

As a current WFL-BOCES Board member, I am seeking re-election to the seat. I have a great respect in all that WFL- BOCES does for students, particularly in the role of collaboration and facilitation among all stakeholders – working to help maximize resources for member Districts, identifying skill sets that should become programs and facilitating program creation, facilitating school to work opportunities, providing collaborative leadership and professional development services to member Districts, and much more.

Three years ago I wrote, "New minds bring bright new thoughts and methods, and as an out-of-the-box thinker myself, I want to help review status quo and participate in deriving fresh, better ways to solve never-ending problems." Thank you for allowing me to be one of those minds. I believe as a Board we have broken much new ground over the past three years, and I would appreciate the opportunity to continue that successful path.

PART III: Additional Information

I graduated from Auburn High School, Cayuga Community College, and the Rochester Institute of Technology, and have degrees in computer science and printing management. I am currently pursuing my MBA at Ashford University, with a projected graduation this October with a specialization in Organizational Leadership. I became a Sodus resident a little over ten years ago, moving here with my wife and five of my seven children. Four of my children graduated from Sodus High School, and one more is a Senior in the High School.

From a business perspective, I work for Xerox leading product strategy for the Global Order to Cash group within the Finance area. My 30-year career path has spanned advertising design, systems programming, production management, research and development and product marketing. I recently received my 15th US Patent. Also, I run a part-time woodworking business to help support my hobby.

Thank you for your consideration. I have been thrilled to contribute my knowledge and passion to the WFL-BOCES Board for the past three years, and would appreciate your support to continue in the efforts for another three years.

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Name: Terrie Meyn School District: Phelps-Clifton Springs (Midlakes)

PART I: Board Experience

I served on the Midlakes board for 15 years through June of 2012. During that time I served as the Vice-President for four years and the President for three years. I am finishing my third three-year term on the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES board. I served as the Vice-President of the Board for three years and am finishing my third year as President.

During my tenure as a school board member, I have taken an active role in local, regional and statewide school governance activities. My experience includes, but is not limited to, committee work on policy, audit/fiscal oversight and facilities. In addition I have experience in negotiations, superintendent searches, strategic planning, the 3020-A process, capital projects and advocacy.

I am an advocate for public school on a local, state and federal level for a variety of issues which affect the districts in our region. Advocacy conversations have varied from 3020A, to funding issues such as the GEA and foundation aid. The focus of our region's advocacy efforts have been on school funding that provide equity to a sound basic education for all children regardless of the school district in which they live.

The BOCES is a very large organization which provides a wide variety of services to a very diverse population. As the Chief Operations Officer for Finger Lakes United Cerebral Palsy (Happiness House), CP Rochester and Rochester Rehabilitation my knowledge and experience working with individuals with disabilities, workforce development and regulatory compliance have aided me in understanding many issues which the BOCES faces in the delivery of services. Furthermore, I have actively participated in a variety of different trainings for school board members through the 4-County School Boards Association, the New York State School Boards Association and the National School Boards Association.

I feel I have had a positive impact on BOCES during my first three terms and would like the opportunity to continue to work on the BOCES board, with a continued focus on ensuring that the WFL-BOCES is responsive to the needs of our component school boards and communities we serve.

PART II: Interest in BOCES Board Seat

BOCES' role is to assist component school districts through implementing shared services. I truly believe that shared services make all parties stronger. Collaboration not only saves money but enhances quality by bringing talented individuals together. I would like to play a role in ensuring that such collaborations continue and that the WFL BOCES is pro-active in exploring programs and services which meet your needs.

As a BOCES board member my focus is on ensuring that:

- all the educational and support services provided are of the highest quality.
- the supports and services are provided in a cost effective manner.
- the BOCES Board, administration and employees are responsive to the needs of component districts.
- Scott Bischoping, the new District Superintendent, has the support necessary to excel in his new position. I am excited that Scott has joined our BOCES and am confident that his leadership will have a positive impact on the BOCES as well as our component districts.

PART III: Additional Information

I am the Chief Operations Officer for Happiness House, CP Rochester and Rochester Rehabilitation. I am very familiar with: education services and education law, Medicaid regulations, supports and services for individuals with developmental disabilities, supports and services for individuals with mental health concerns, workforce development and affordable housing. My duties include the development and implementation of strategic initiatives, the development and implementation of policies, and providing administrative oversight of programs which serve children and adults with and without disabilities. This work experience has served me well on the BOCES Board. I would appreciate your support in electing me to a fourth term.