



Letter to the Board

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Superintendent of Schools

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May 5, 2006

*"Every artist was first an amateur."
Emerson, Writer and Philosopher*

--Ralph Waldo

Greetings from Wayne Central. Below are a few items of interest.

Board Letter:

1. **Middle School Program:** As we send our middle school higher achieving students on to the high school and send our high school higher achieving students on to college, we need to increase the rigor of our programs to keep up with increased student abilities. Next year in the middle school we will be offering, for the first time, two high school sections of art and two high school sections of health. With these additions, some students will be able to enter high school with up to 5 high school credits (foreign language, biology, math, health, studio art).

An even bigger step that we are taking is in the area of biology. As you heard again last night, our middle school science program is outstanding. Our passing rate on the state exam is always in the high 90's. Our mastery rate is more than 70%. Because of this and the availability of extra staff, we are going to be able to offer high school biology to all of our 8th grade students. Our current Science Olympiad coaches, Molly Doyle and Scott Partridge will be the instructors. Fifteen year veteran Terry Lindsay will also work with this, in addition to being part time at the high school. These instructors have already been teaching biology to two sections of middle school students for the past few years and have outstanding results.

I must admit we are excited and a bit nervous about taking this next step. We are confident in our teachers and students, and this will be a huge accomplishment for both of them. But as with every new program, you always worry about being successful. This will also continue to free up their high school schedule to take other classes. We did this a few years ago with foreign language and it has been a huge success. Last year 93% of our 8th graders entered high school with a credit in foreign language. I think those results are a pretty good indication of what our teachers and students are capable of. I'll keep you posted on this.

2. **AP Program:** As you probably already know, AP (advance placement) is a national standards program in which students take college level courses in high school. They take a national exam and if they score a 3, 4, or 5 they generally receive credit at the college they end up attending. Again as we

send more capable and prepared students to the high school, we need to provide more challenging curriculum to them once they are here. I reported to you last month that for this year we decided to waive the test fee for AP history and Spanish. We wanted to find out two things: 1) does the \$80 fee stand in the way of some students taking an AP exam? And, 2) how closely is the curriculum of our current history and Spanish courses matched with the AP curriculum? While we won't know the answer to the second question until August, we do have some information about the first question. We thought we might get an additional 15-20 students who would sign up for the exam. We also thought it might be enough to offer an additional section of AP. We were shocked to have 56 additional students sign up for the US History and 44 additional students sit for the Spanish exam. We will be spending some time considering what this means. We will be rethinking our AP program and may be bringing some proposals to you this summer.

3. **Eagle Ventures:** There were some issues brought up last night about Eagle Ventures. The program had grown to almost 40 students. The staff and administration both felt that it had gotten too large and had lost some of the personal touch. It has also been more difficult since we lost our home. We are reducing the numbers next year as some of our students finish school and other district programs are available. We would like to return to numbers back around 20.
4. **Fire Alarm in HS** – We had the firetrucks at the HS today (Friday). It was determined that dust on a sensor head in the technology wing triggered the alarm. The staff and students were briefly evacuated while the firemen checked the building (probably not more than 15 minutes).
5. **Upcoming Events:**

May 5, 6 & 7 – MS Musical “The Sound of Music” @ PAC – 7:00 p.m. & 2:00 p.m. (Sunday)

May 8 – FE Staff Budget Presentation – 8:00 a.m.

May 8 – FE Parent Group Meeting & Budget Presentation @ Media Center – 6:45 p.m.

May 9 – Booster Club Meeting & Budget Presentation @ HS – 7:00 p.m.

May 10 – HS Band Concert @ PAC – 7:00 p.m.

May 10 – MS Staff Budget Presentation – 2:15 p.m.

May 11 – MS PTA Budget Presentation – 6:30 p.m.

May 12 – Transportation/Maintenance Staff Budget Presentation @ Trans. Bldg – 8:45 a.m.

May 15 – HS PTSA Meeting @ DO – 7:00 p.m.

May 16 – Budget VOTE @ HS Gym 9:00 – 9:00 p.m.

May 16 – FE Band & Chorus Concert @ PAC – 7:00 p.m.

May 16 – District Art Show @ HS

Athletics: (Home Events Only)

5/6 – Boy's Varsity Baseball – Eagles Diamond Tournament – 2:00 & 4:00 p.m.

5/6 – Boys' JV Baseball – Eagles Diamond Tournament – 10:00 a.m. & noon

5/6 – Girls' Varsity Softball – Eagles Diamond Tournament – 2:00 & 4:00 p.m.

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5/8 – Boys' JV Tennis vs. Marcus Whitman – 4:15 p.m.

5/8 – Boys' JV Baseball vs. School of the Arts – 4:15 p.m.

5/9 – CoEd Varsity & JV Track Meet vs. Canandaigua – 4:15 p.m.

5/10 – Boys' Varsity Tennis vs. HAC – 4:15 p.m.

5/10 – Boys' Varsity Baseball vs. Victor – 4:15 p.m.

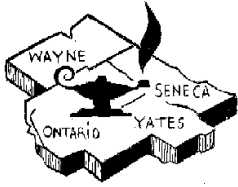
5/10 – Girls' Varsity Softball vs. Victor – 4:15 p.m.

5/15 – Girls' Varsity Softball vs. Newark – 7:00 p.m.

5/15 – Boys’ JV Baseball vs. Newark – 4:15 p.m.
5/15 – Girls’ JV Softball vs. Newark – 4:15 p.m.
5/16 - CoEd Varsity Track vs. Newark – 4:15 p.m.
5/16 – Boys’ JV Tennis vs. Newark – 4:15 p.m.
5/17 – Boys’ JV Baseball vs. Geneva - 4:15 p.m.
5/17 – Girls’ JV Softball vs. Geneva – 4:15 p.m. – (double header)
5/17 – Girls’ JV Softball vs. Lyons – 7:00 p.m.
5/18 – Boys’ Varsity Tennis vs. Penn Yan – 4:15 p.m.

6. Attachments:

- a. Four County School Boards Association President’s/VP Workshop – 5/22
- b. Four County School Boards Association Annual Meeting – 5/31
- c. Ontario Town Board Meeting Minutes – 4/24
- d. WFL BOCES Meeting Agenda – 5/8
- e. WTA Final TGIF – 6/9



Four County School Boards

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Sharon A. Sweeney
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PRESIDENTS' / VICE PRESIDENTS' DINNER & ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Monday, May 22, 2006

Registration – 5:45 p.m. Dinner & Meeting – 6:15 p.m.

Vocational Education Conference Room
Vocational Education Building
Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Flint Campus
Flint, NY

(Directions on reverse side of County Road 20, Stanley, New York)

Meet with your colleagues from other Four County districts to explore topics of interest. The agenda is open. Discussion is driven by the issues that are important to you and your board that evening. (We will spend a few minutes planning future 2006-2007 Presidents'/Vice Presidents' dinners.)

If there are any specific topics you would like placed on an agenda, or any information you would like gathered in preparation for discussion, please, contact the Association office before May 19th.

Please join us. Those who have participated in the previous 2 offered this year have found the evening enjoyable, filled with interesting conversation, and a helpful exchange of knowledge and experience.

**Four County School Boards Association
Board Presidents'/ Vice Presidents' Dinner & Roundtable Discussion
Monday, May 22, 2006**

Please make reservations no later than May 19, 2006 by:

Phone: 315/332-7294 Fax: 315/332-7474 E-mail: 4countysba@edutech.org

Dinner includes assorted subs, salad, dessert and beverage – \$10.00 per person

SCHOOL DISTRICT: _____

TOTAL ATTENDING: _____

24 Hour Cancellation Notice Required



Four County School Boards Association Annual Meeting & Dinner

Wednesday, May 31, 2006 at

The Belhurst Castle

Route 14S. Geneva, NY

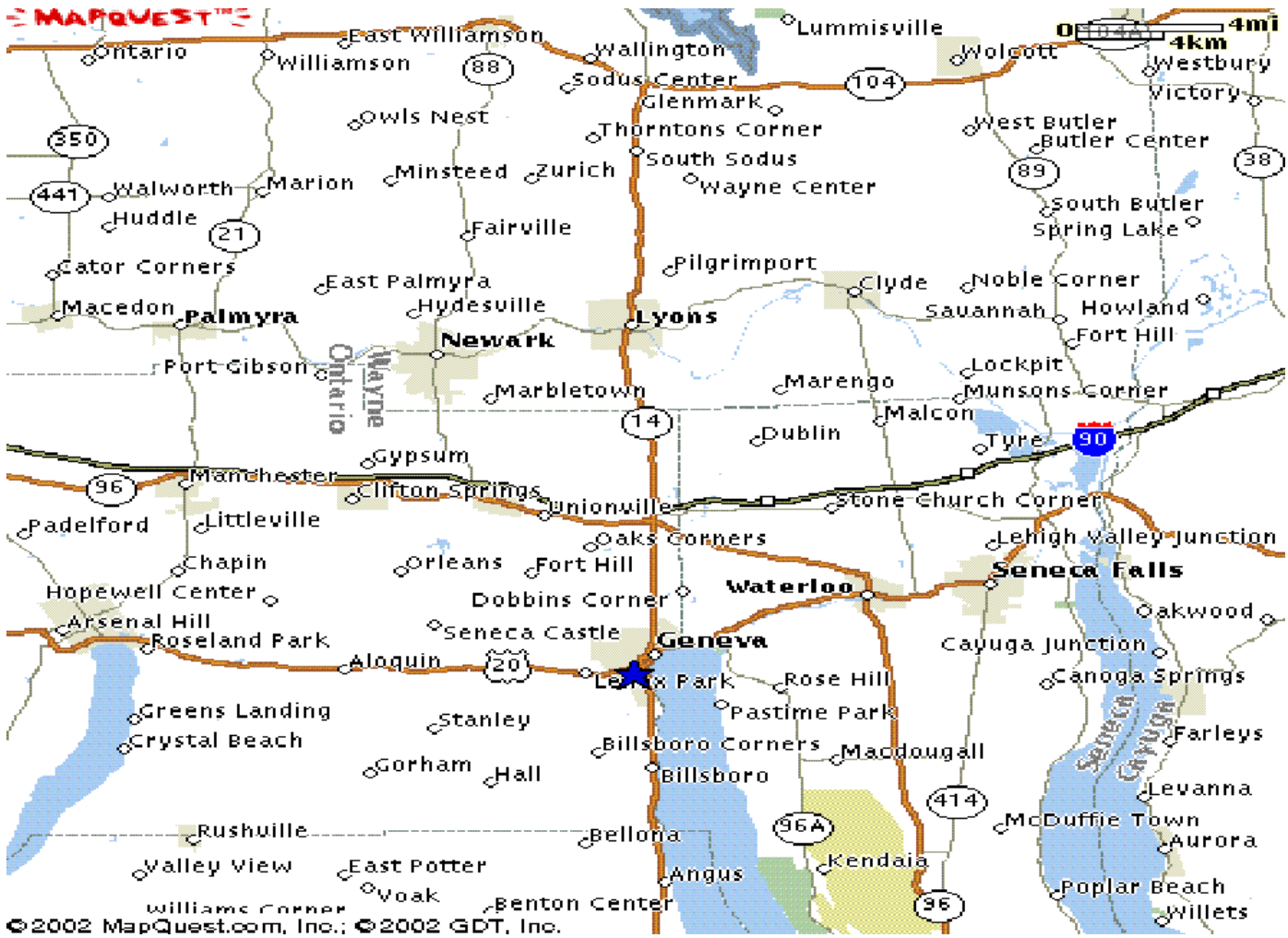
(315) 781-0201

- 5:30 p.m. – Registration & Social Time
 - Display of Student Work - Geneva CSD
- 6:30 p.m. - Student Performance - Geneva CSD
- 6:45 p.m. - Dinner
- 7:45 p.m. - Annual Business Meeting
 - Annual Report
 - Election of Officers
 - Remarks from Incoming President
 - Remarks from Outgoing President
- 8:00 p.m. - Guest Speaker
- 9:00 p.m. – Adjournment

Mark D. Gearan

President, Hobart and William Smith Colleges





*Four County School Boards Association
Annual Dinner - May 31, 2006
The Belhurst Castle - Geneva*

Please make reservations no later than May 26, 2006

(315) 332-7294 Fax: (315) 332-7474

E-mail: 4countysba@edutech.org

Spouses are welcome & invited to attend at board member's expense.

Dinner Choices: Prime Rib - \$32.00 Dill and Sorrel Basted Salmon - \$27.25
Penne Pasta w/Grilled Chicken & Vegetables - \$26.00

Total Number Attending _____ Total Due \$ _____

District: _____

Names & Meal Choice:

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24 Hour Cancellation Notice Required

APRIL 24, 2006

ONTARIO TOWN BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the Ontario Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Joseph Molino at 7:00 PM in the Ontario Town Hall. Present were Supervisor Joseph Molino, Council members: Lori Eaton-Smith, Jason Ruffell, James Switzer, Director of Recreation & Parks William Riddell and Deputy Town Clerk Diane Nichols.

Absent: Town Clerk Cathy Herzog

Twelve residents and visitors were present at portions of the meeting.

Mr. Switzer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Comments from the Public – None

Approval of Minutes – A motion was made by Mr. Switzer, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, **to approve the April 10, 2006 minutes with the following correction page 4, paragraph 5, after “farm project” add “on Lake Road and on Knickerbocker Road.”** 4 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Correspondence – The town received notification that Local Law # 1 of 2006 (Establishment of the Business Improvement District) and Local Law # 2 of 2006 to (amend the membership of the Recreation and Parks Advisory Board from five (5) to seven (7) members) have been received and filed on 3/24/06 with the Department of State

The Supervisor announced that Tops Market in Ontario and the Topshelf Liquor & Wine Shop both received Certificates of Recognition from The Wayne County Proud Partnership for their commitment to refuse to sell alcohol to minors.

A motion was made by Mr. Switzer, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, **to accept and file the correspondence.** 4 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Old Business – None

New Business - A motion was made by Mr. Switzer, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, **to accept the Supervisor’s fiscal report for the month of March 2006, as presented.** 4 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mr. Ruffell, seconded by Mr. Switzer, **to accept and file the report of the Receiver of Taxes summary of taxes collected, as of April 12, 2006, as presented.** 4 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, **to adopt a**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GRANT APPLICATION

RESOLVED, that Reginald P. Higgins II and Mary Elizabeth Howard, Town Justices of the Town of Ontario, are

HEREBY authorized and directed to file an application for funds from the New York Justice Court Assistance Program L. 1999, c280, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 and upon approval of said request to enter into and execute a project agreement with the State for such financial assistance to the Town of Ontario Justice Court, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute and sign said application. 4 Ayes 0 Nays RESOLUTION ADOPTED

A motion was made by Mr. Switzer, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, **to authorize the Town Supervisor to execute the letter of consent to alterations from Crown Castle Inc. for T-Mobile Wireless to add and modify their equipment located on the tower at the town highway garage at 6449 Furnace Road.** 4 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Mr. Ruffell, seconded by Mr. Molino, **to authorize James Switzer and Lori Eaton-Smith to attend the Sixth Annual Town Finance and Management School on May 10-12, 2006 at the Woodcliff Lodge in Rochester, NY, with registration cost of \$200.00 plus all actual and necessary charges to be a town charge.** 4 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Budget Transfers/Adjustments – A motion was made by Mr. Switzer, seconded by Mrs. Smith, **to approve the following budget transfers:**

Town Wide Drainage transfer of \$10,000.00 from SD9901.0 to T-38 Developers Fees

Capital Project transfer of \$6,240.00 from H-72-05-8330.299 to H-72-05-8330.202

4 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Appointments/Resignations – A motion was made by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Switzer, **to appoint Lee Stramonine to the Recreation and Parks Advisory Board effective May 1, 2006 with the term to expire December 31, 2007 and to appoint Scott TeWinkle to the Recreation and Parks Advisory Board effective May 1, 2006 with the term to expire December 31, 2008.** 4 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Mrs. Smith noted the standard term of office for these positions will be five (5) years beginning respectively in 2008 and 2009.

Reports by Town Board Members – Mr. Switzer reported the Business Improvement District is officially established and taxes for the district will be levied on the January 2007 town and county tax bill.

Mr. Ruffell briefly discussed the proposed Comprehensive Plan and stated he would like to plan for another public hearing.

Approval of Claims – A motion was made by Mr. Switzer, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, **to approve the abstract of claims for April 2006 including vouchers #836 through #938 with a grand total of \$141,881.02 and to authorize the Supervisor to issue payments for same.** 4 Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Comments from the Pubic – Mr. Michael Bell asked when construction would start for the Community Center.

Mr. Molino stated the process has begun subject to permissive referendum. Mr. Riddell reported on the time frame for a permissive referendum and the procedures that will follow.

Mr. Riddell reported that he had a meeting with a perspective buyer for a recently closed business on Route 104, 84 Lumber Company. There was a discussion on the railroad tracks located between the business and the highway.

Mr. Richard Clark gave an update on election changes, the purchase of new voting machines and the charge back of election expenses to towns.

Mr. Ruffell talked briefly about the agenda for the three board meeting to be held on April 26th at Wayne Central School District.

Adjourn – A motion was made by Mr. Switzer, seconded by Mr. Ruffell, **to adjourn the meeting at 7:33PM.** 4
Ayes 0 Nays MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Nichols
Ontario Deputy Town Clerk

The above minutes will become official upon approval of the town board.

WAYNE-FINGER LAKES BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Regional Support Center
Jack Loveless Conference Room
Newark, New York
Regular Meeting - Monday, May 8, 2006
6:30 PM

AGENDA

1. Call to Order – Nancy Scher OI
 - a. Request for Executive Session
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance – Nancy Scher
(Contingent upon adoption of a motion during the public portion of the meeting in accordance with Section 105 of the Public Officers Law)

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Following Executive Session - which begins at 6:30 PM - the Regular Business Meeting will reconvene

2. Welcome and Introductions – Nancy Scher OI
 - a. Guests
 - b. Representatives from Component Boards
 - c. Certificate of Achievement – Ben Parsons
 - d. Certificate of Merit - Bobbie Ogradowski
3. Public Comment OI
4. Approval of the Agenda – Nancy Scher A
5. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 10, 2006 – Nancy Scher A
6. Seneca County Partners for Children, Youth, & Families – Amy Perry DelCorvo OI/WI
7. Educational Presentation: Enrichment Activities – Mary Kirsch OI/WI
8. Reports and Correspondence OI/WI
 - a. Board Clerk Report - Budget Vote and Board Election Results
 - b. Board Members
 - c. Board Committee Reports
 - d. District Superintendent
 - e. Strategic Plan Update – Marla Iverson
9. Consensus Agenda – Keith Henry A
 - a. Treasurer's Reports for General and Special Aid for the Month Ending March 2006
 - b. Budget Status Reports for Administration, General Fund, and Special Aid Fund Month Ending March 2006
 - c. Quarterly Reports for Extra Classroom Activity Funds WTCC and FLTCC for the Quarter Ending March 2006

- d. Routine Action Items
 - 1. Contracts/Agreements
 - a. Multi Year Purchase Agreement SAA#6935 – Bloomfield Central School District
 - b. Multi Year Purchase Agreement SAA#7106 – Phelps-Clifton Springs Sch District
 - c. Four County School Boards Association Renewal Agreement
 - d. State Wide Licensing Agreements
 - 2. Declaration of Equipment as Surplus (EduTech)

- 10. Personnel – Jim McNeil A
 - a. Certified
 - b. Non-Certified
 - c. Amendments to District Superintendent Contract

- 11. Policies – Jim McNeil A
 - a. Second Reading
 - 1. P1520 Attendance by Board Members at Conferences, Conventions & Workshops
 - 2. P4441 Extracurricular Activity Funds
 - 3. P6461 Complaints and Grievances by Students
 - 4. P7110 Safety Conditions and Programs
 - 5. P7112 Disaster Planning and Civil Preparedness
 - 6. P7113 Prevention Instruction
 - 7. P7114 BOCES Emergency Management Plan
 - 8. P7120 Students with Disabilities
 - 9. P7180 Student Built Houses or Other Structures

- 12. Approval of Change Orders – Keith Henry A

- 13. Review of 5 Year Capital Improvement Plan – Keith Henry OI/WI

- 14. Establishment of Internal Audit Function – Keith Henry A

- 15. Acceptance of Extraclassroom Activity Funds Financial Report – Keith Henry A

- 16. Adoption of 2006-07 Administration Budget – Keith Henry/Joe Marinelli A

- 17. Approval of SBM-4 – Keith Henry A

- 18. Other Business – Nancy Scher A
 - a. Posting of Board E-Mail Addresses on W-FL BOCES Website
 - b. Selecting Date for July Reorganization Meeting

- 19. Adjournment – Nancy Scher A

NEXT BOCES BOARD MEETING:

MONDAY, June 5, 2006

REGIONAL SUPPORT CENTER, NEWARK, NEW YORK



Come celebrate all our hard work!

The LAST WTA sponsored

DISTRICT WIDE TGIF

Will be Friday, June 9th,

At the Ontario Golf Club.

