



SCHOOL CHIEF'S

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OCTOBER 2002

MEET THIS YEAR'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND CLUSTER LEADERS

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

No one knows our job or the many facets of the Superintendency better than we do. We have the experience, knowledge, and drive to effect educational change for all students. We have the power to mold legislation and greatly influence local school policies and practices. We hold an important position within our communities and are the recognized educational leaders in our field. Therefore, I believe it is of utmost importance to be an active member of the SCSSA.

I hope you will mark your calendars and regularly attend our business meetings, which offer a valuable resource of information. These meetings present opportunities for us to share strategies and to benefit from the experiences of others. In addition, it is a chance to enjoy each other's company and to get to know your colleagues who often face many of the same challenges.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at our upcoming meetings and throughout this year as we all work for the betterment of children across Suffolk County

Bill Bolton

MINUTES & HIGHLIGHTS of September 2002 Meeting

Attendance by Cluster*

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| Babylon | .67% |
| Brookhaven | .50% |
| Huntington-Smithtown | .80% |
| Islip | .83%* |
| North Fork | .83%* |
| South Fork | .25% |

* *Congratulations! Lunch is on us at an area restaurant.*

Guest Speaker

Terence O'Neil, Esq. of Rains and Pogrebin presented latest trends in contract negotiations. According to Terry, the key to negotiating success is that the chief negotiator, the Superintendent, and Board of Education must be of one mind, and anything is possible.

NYSCOSS Award Announced

At the Annual Fall Conference in Rochester, New York the NYSCOSS Distinguished Service Award was presented to Dr. Ed Milliken for past service to the council. The SCSSA honored Dr. Milliken with a reception following the Annual Banquet. Dr. Milliken is the former District Superintendent of Eastern Suffolk BOCES.

New Superintendents

- Dr. Brian Desorbe, Amityville
- Peter Scordo, Hauppauge
- Neil Lederer, Lindenhurst
- Dr. Michael LaFever, S. Country
- B. Allan Mannella, S. Manor

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**Next General Meeting November 20, 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Dowling College
Topic: No Child Left Behind Act Presented by State Ed Department Representatives**

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Aspiring Leaders Conference

October 22, 2002

1:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Villa Lombardi's

Sponsored by SCSSA to encourage aspiring school leaders to consider future administrative roles. Facilitated by Ray Jorgensen, and led by Superintendents - "Essentials of Leading Relationships to Results."

Budget Update

Received dues from 73 out of 77 districts. Thank you! Your association is financially sound with income from dues, the golf outing, and funds received from Goals 2000 Leadership Grant.

Did You Know?

Special Appointments

- Dr. David Gee – Serves on the Executive Committee of AASA
- Dr. William Brosnan – Vice President of NYSCOSS
- Dr. William Bolton, Richard Hawkins, and Dr. Candee Swenson – Suffolk County Representatives of NYSCOSS
- Dr. Candee Swenson – Suffolk County Representative to the Commissioner's Advisory Council
- Richard Hawkins – Nassau/Suffolk School Boards Association Representative
- Richard Curtis and Don Bright - Superintendent Representatives on Section 11 Committee

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Nov. 20 – Board of Directors Meeting 10:30 a.m. & General Meeting 12:00 p.m.

Dowling College

Dec. 11 – Board of Directors Meeting 9:00 a.m. Eastern Suffolk BOCES

Jan. 31 – Board of Directors Meeting 10:30 a.m. & General Meeting 12:00 p.m.

Dowling College

May 30 - June 1 - Retreat at Gurneys - Mark Your Calendar Now!

Caught on Camera

At the September 18th Meeting



The first meeting provided an opportunity for Superintendents to get reacquainted during lunch (from left to right): Ray McCloat, Jay Finello, Jim Hunderfund, Jerry Jackson, Phil Cicero, Mike Maina, Shelly Karnilow, and Bill Brosnan.



Introducing the 2002-2003 SCSSA Board of Directors and Cluster Leaders (from left to right) Gary Bixborn, Bill Brosnan, Chris Gallagher, Bill Bolton, Barbara Krakehl, Rich Hawkins, Lynn Schwartz, George Duffy, Jerry Jackson, and Jim Hunderfund.



(From left to right) Barbara Krakehl, Lynn Schwartz, and Chris Gallagher pose before the start of the meeting.