



Brian Jones

Board of Education Candidate

I would like to thank the Holland Central School Community for giving me the opportunity to serve you for the last five years. While seated on the board it was an honor to be voted to be President for the last 3 years.

Through my time on the Board I have taken every opportunity to further my training, so that I could be the best board member possible.

I humbly ask for your support, so we can continue moving the district in a positive direction.

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Scott Wander

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My name is Scott Wander and I am a graduate of Holland CSD (1993) and the University at Buffalo (Business Administration). Holland has remained my home since high school. My wife, Jessica, and I have two children who share the same birthday, 5 years apart (July 1)! Ella (5) is in kindergarten and Alex is 9 months old. Jessica teaches kindergarten in the Sweet Home Central School District.

My career is in emergency medical services as a paramedic, serving as EMS director for the UBMD Emergency Medicine EMS Division. As EMS Director I am the lead administrator of a perpetual grant with the New York State Department of Health, providing key oversight and support to emergency services in, primarily, Erie and Wyoming Counties. Prior to joining the UBMD EMS Division in 1998, I was a full-time paramedic for a commercial ambulance service where I held the positions of paramedic and field training officer. Continuing as a part-time employee until 2007, I also served as a paramedic and advanced life support education coordinator.

Emergency service administration is very dynamic with many levels of, both, career and volunteer personnel. There is oversight at local, regional and state (regulatory) levels. My responsibility is to be the facilitator who brings together the numerous advisory boards and regulatory organizations with more than 2,200 certified emergency medical service providers and 107 EMS agencies in Erie and Wyoming Counties.

I view my full-time responsibilities as a mirror image to a seat on the Holland Board of Education. I am running because my education, job experience, and service on voluntary boards have given me the skills to manage finances, supervise people, and negotiate cooperation. I am an effective communicator who is willing to listen and respectfully consider opposing sides. I do not hesitate to get involved in an issue and often spearhead the task of finding a solution. My reputation as a leader is that of someone who gets things done. I am an experienced manager, adult educator, Holland graduate, taxpayer, and Holland parent.

The two issues I would like to highlight in my candidacy are building configuration and safety. The Holland BOE intends to open the [former] middle school for classroom use, once again. I support this decision given all of its amenities: a pool, auditorium, two gyms, large athletic fields, ample parking, and plenty of room for students. Secondly, we must remain vigilant as a community and assure continued safety of our children, faculty, and visitors. I will bring first-hand emergency service understanding, networking, and experience to the board.

Please consider voting for me on May 15th.