

Get to Know: **KAREN WHITELAW**

## **BOARD CONNECTION**

By Dave Lowrey, Executive Director



### ***Kenmore West Graduate***

**Former owner of Action Video and Vending supplying coin-operated amusement devices and ATM/'s**

**Karen Whitelaw** has jumped right in to Board Service after attending Governance and Fiscal Oversight Responsibility Training. Karen has already attended all ECASB events. She is a graduate of the Ken Ton School District, having graduated from Kenmore West. A widow and mother of three adult daughters, Karen has been active in the community and the district for over 30 years having served on the APPR Committee, the Family Support Center Committee, the Naming Committee, the Safety Committee, Save Committee, Staff Development Center Policy Board, the Transportation Committee, the Wellness Committee and many school and district Hiring Committees. A fixture at Board Of Education meetings as a PTA member for over 30 years, Karen decided that running for the school board was the next step in her continued advocacy for children. She wants to make sure that the students of Ken-Ton get the best education and support they need to become successful adults. Running for the Board of Education was the next logical step. She has admired the dedication of the Board of Education members in the Ken Ton UFSD. In the community, Karen served as a Girl Scout leader, was the former PTA president and is a current Board Member for the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Northtowns. When she is not advocating for children, you can find Karen gardening, spending time with family and traveling.

## **NEW BOARD MEMBER:**

**Karen Whitelaw  
Ken Ton UFSD  
Board of Education**

**NYSSBA ANNUAL  
CONVENTION :  
OCTOBER 26-28, 2023  
BUFFALO, NEW YORK**

## **TRIVIA.....**

All correct answers will be entered into a drawing for an ECASB a \$15.00 gift card to Tim Hortons. What State Governor spoke about School Board Service in his interview on Meet the Press on September 3rd?

## **FOUNDATION AID**

**October 12, 2023**

Rick Timbs presents "Federal Aid, State Aid and Finance Considerations for 2023-2024 and Beyond."



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