## **Education Excellence Committee**

Chairperson – Terry Kane Board Members – Stuart Elliott, Lynn Kaufman Community Member – Jim Penwell

The Education Excellence Committee is proud to report on significant steps forward in developing curriculum, program and institutional development that we believe will lead to the ability to identify individual students in need of further guidance and instruction, improved teaching techniques and improved curriculum content. We believe that these advancements will have a direct impact on test scores and overall performance of individual students and the school district. Specifically I would like to point out the following points of action;

- The administration conducts quarterly reviews of each buildings School Improvement Plan (SIP)
- There is an open sharing of various assessments given throughout the school year.
- There was full participation by the Administration with Broome Tioga BOCES Race to the Top Network Team which has supported our efforts to improve teaching and learning through the APPR process.
- The Administration worked with BOCES Professional Development Specialists to conduct module work with our teachers.
- There are ongoing discussions of curriculum for K-12 Science and Social Studies.
- The Administration and staff have updated our Curriculum maps.
- The Administration and staff have integrated the Common Core Learning Standards and the Literacy and Math Shifts to assuring that students are fully engaged in more rigorous and complex curriculum.
- The administration held discussions of how the school district can refine the focus on data teams, RTI Teams, and Data Driven instruction to assist individual students improve in needed areas.
- The Administration has engaged more advanced technology to improve the student's skills and abilities by embracing the use of iPads in the classroom.

I believe that the administration and the school district are making significant strides in developing the necessary tools and processes that will have a lasting positive impact on the education of our students. I encourage them to keep up the progress and continue to closely monitor results.

Terry Kane Chairman of Education Excellence