CANDIDATE BIO

OFFICE SOUGHT/LENGTH OF TERM: Three–year term on the Kingston City School District, Board of Education.

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EDUCATION:
BA: Colgate University
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SPOUSE/OCCUPATION/PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: Michael Sweeney, Partner, Getman, Sweeney & Dunn PLLC

CHILDREN/AGES/SCHOOLS: Four children: two at KHS, senior, sophomore; two Bailey Middle School, eighth grade

ORGANIZATIONS/INTERESTS/ACTIVITIES:
Reading, hiking, volunteer work, watching my children in their various (many) sports and extracurricular activities
Executive committee, Ulster County School Boards Association

KINGSTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEES SERVED ON:
Chair, Teaching and Learning Committee, BOE
Health and Wellness Committee

WHAT DO YOU VIEW AS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION’S TOP PRIORITIES?

- Continuing to increase the graduation rate for all students and narrowing, even further, the gap in achievement between our white students and our students of color and our general education students and students with disabilities.
- Educational processes and interventions, particularly in the early grades, that ensure student success and contribute to an increased graduation rate.
- Ensuring equity in and access to the many opportunities KCSD has to offer.
- Continuing work of cultural responsiveness, restorative justice, equity and inclusion.
- Examining our safety and security policies.
- Ensuring that our administrative structure is effective and efficient.