




*Celebrating  
50<sup>th</sup> years of  
Supporting Members  
as They Strive to Provide Excellence  
in Education for all Students*

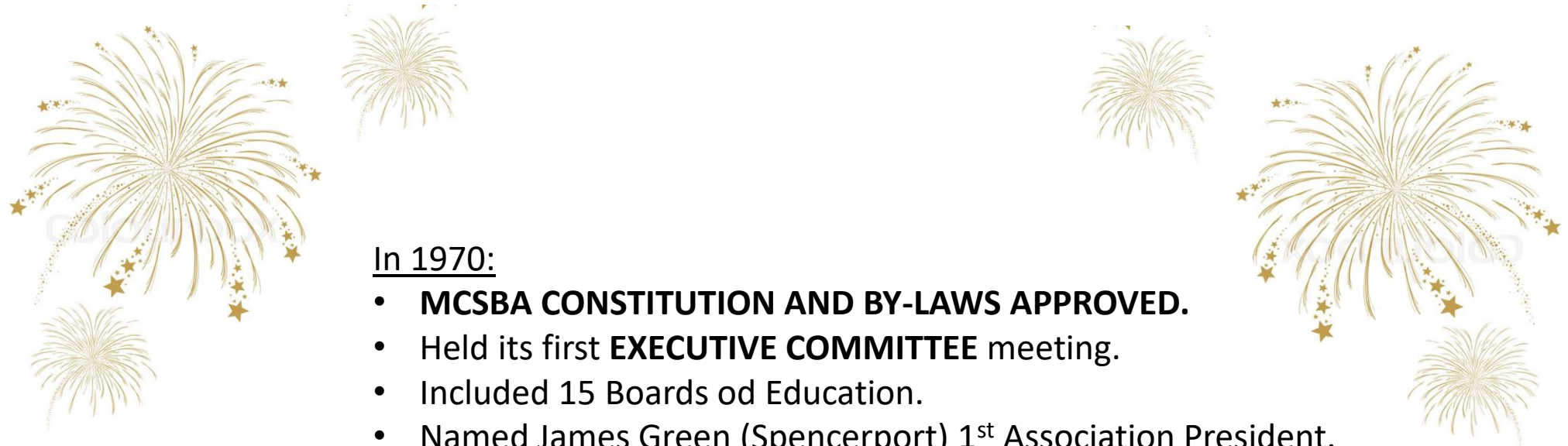


Initially it began in 1960 as:

- Monroe County Chief School Officers and School Board President (MCCSOSBP).
- **Labor issues** were the group's focus.
- Under the guidance of Dr. William Fullager, Dean of University of Rochester, College of Education.

In 1969:

- Became affiliated with NYSSBA



In 1970:

- **MCSBA CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS APPROVED.**
- Held its first **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** meeting.
- Included 15 Boards of Education.
- Named James Green (Spencerport) 1<sup>st</sup> Association President.

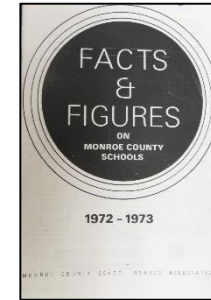
# Organizational Milestones

In 1971:

- **STEERING COMMITTEE** formed to plan election of officers, prepare budget, & plan annual meeting.
- **LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE** established.

In 1972:

- Jann Packard was named Executive Director, she would serve in this role until 1986.
- **Negotiations committee formed-**  
(Would later become Labor Relations Committee).
- **FACTS AND FIGURES BOOKLET** first published.



Then and now

In 1975:

- MCSBA established an **OFFICIAL LOGO**.
- **NEWSLETTER** "News for MCSBA" started-  
would eventually become **News Scope**.
- **PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES SEMINAR** began.
- **Published 1<sup>st</sup> legislative position**, dealing with state aid, BOCES, tenure, and the Taylor Law.





# *Organizational Milestones*

In 1977:

- **SED approved NEW GOVERNANCE SEMINAR** introduced.

In 1978:

- **LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE** formed.

In 1980:

- **MCSBA APPOINTED FIRST TREASURER.**
- An **Inter-district Cooperation Committee** formed to explore ways to save programs during a time of rapidly declining enrollments; **led to the development of BOCES programs in vocational/technical education and the performing arts.**

In 1981:

- **BOARD PRESIDENTS** dinner initiated.
- MCSBA 's 1<sup>st</sup> solo bus trip to **ALBANY.**

# Organizational Milestones

In 1982:

- **FUTURES COMMITTEE** appointed for a year, developed 7 long term goals for the association. Annual goal setting process set by committee is still in use by the association.

In 1984:

- Public Information committee became **INFORMATION EXCHANGE COMMITTEE**.

In 1985:

- Association reorganized, legislative action became a primary emphasis.
- **MCSBA/MCBA LAW CONFERENCE** began.

In 1986:

- John Woods was named Executive Director, he would serve in this role until 2001.
- MCSBA's *We Grow Best Together* campaign won a National School Public Relations Association Award of Merit.



# Organizational Milestones

In 1987:

- **COALITION BUILDING** began with regular meetings between MCSBA leaders and the two area Regents, the Gannett Editorial Board, NYSUT, NEA, and the Genesee Valley PTA were instituted.

In 1988:

- MCSBA members began **meeting locally with state legislators.**
- Mary Talbot hired as MCSBA Secretary.



In 1990:

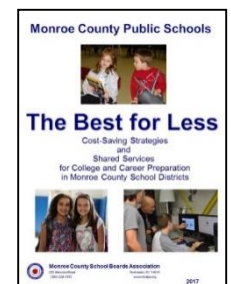
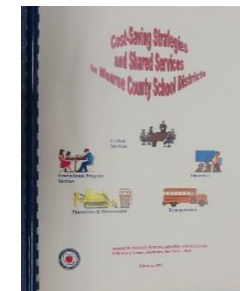
- **Unprecedented mid-year cuts in NYS aid** occurred as recession began. Declining levels of state aid forced an increase in local property taxes. **In the next two years over half the budgets in Monroe County were defeated on their first attempt.**

In 1994:

- First **CLERKS CONFERENCE** was held.

In 1996:

- **BEST FOR LESS** publication was developed to showcase collaborative and cost saving efforts of school districts to counter accusations of fiscal irresponsibility.



Then and now

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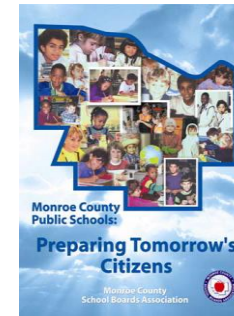
In 2001:

- Jody Siegle was named Executive Director, she would serve in this role until 2015.
- Greatly increased level of advocacy efforts due to a large number of state and federal political initiatives.
- **LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST** began.
- **MCSBA website was up-dated** and email became primary means of communication with members.



In 2002:

- MCSBA poster won honorable mention from National School Public Relations Association.
- **FALL ALBANY TRIP** began.



In 2003:

- Dues were restructured, based on size of a district's annual budget.



# Organizational Milestones

In 2005:

- Kendall CSD joined the association, was 1<sup>st</sup> new member in decades.
- **SED approved FISCAL OVERSIGHT TRAINING** introduced.
- **FALL MEETINGS** with state legislators began locally.



In 2006:

- **SPRING MEETINGS** with federal legislators began locally.

In 2008:

- **F.A.I.R PLAN** enacted to take 50% of sales tax revenue from public schools. **The association sued the county for its action.** The Appellate Court and NYS Court of Appeals both ruled against the county's action and monies were paid back in installments over 5 years.



# Organizational Milestones

In 2009:

- MCSBA became member of **COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS.**

In 2012:

- Judy Wadsworth retired after 24 years of service to MCSBA in various leadership roles.
- She continues to publish the News Scope and News Clips to the present day.



In 2013:

- Steering Committee developed and added **COMMUNICATIONS OUTREACH COMMITTEE (COAC)**

In 2014:

- **CLERKS 2-YEAR SUMMER SERIES** began.

# Organizational Milestones

In 2016:

- Holley CSD joined the association.



In 2017:

- ALUMNI AFFILIATE began.

In 2018:

- Victor CSD joined the Association.
- The Association amended its Constitution and By-laws to limit its membership to RCSD, & Monroe One BOCES and Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES, and their components districts and now Victor.



In 2019:

- **BOARD PRESIDENT/SUPERINTENDENT SYMPOSIUMS** on “*Leadership At Its Best*” began.



The Association is a cohesive group with an emphasis on what we can do together when united to deal with other levels of government who seek to influence public schools and their control by locally elected boards of education.

Along the way we have found that there is strength in numbers, that our group is respected by those developing new laws and regulations, and that persistence **eventually** results in positive outcomes.



Here is to another 50 years  
for quality **Public Education!**