

Audit Committee Member List

2022-2023

Dr. Susan A. Agruso - Chair

Superintendent of Kings Park Central School District in Kings Park, N.Y., from July 2008 to July 2014. She also served as Assistant Superintendent for Assessment, Planning and Technical Support (2004-2006) and Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Accountability (1999-2004) in Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools in Charlotte, N.C. She describes herself as a "passionate educator who operationalizes the belief that all children can learn at high levels by establishing high expectations, clearly set goals, focused instruction and accountability for all."

Mr. Joseph A. Blitzko, CPA - Vice-Chair

Retired Partner of Deloitte & Touche, LLP, where he worked for 35 years in Pittsburgh, Los Angeles and Louisville. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Since his retirement, he has remained active professionally with various part-time Chief Financial Officer and consulting engagements. Additional community activities have included Junior Achievement, Grant Panelist for the Sarasota County Tourist Development Cultural Arts Program and Member of the Arts and Cultural Alliance of Sarasota County Grants Policy Committee.

Ms. Virginia Mentzer, CPA

Ms. Mentzer has more than 25 years of experience in accounting and finance primarily in an executive leadership capacity. She is a Florida-licensed CPA, with a Bachelor of Business Administration, Specializing in Accounting, and a Master of Business Administration. She worked in internal and external auditing roles early in her career and then transitioned to a corporate Chief Financial Officer (CFO). She held CFO roles for almost twenty years, initially for an insurance and membership company, thereafter for three different financial institutions. In 2016, she joined the Florida CFO Group and started her own business providing CFO Services on a fractional and project basis via Mentzer Consulting, LLC. Ms. Mentzer and her husband live in Manatee County with their two children who both attend Manatee County public schools.

Bernard A. Wagner, CPA

Mr. Wagner is a Florida-licensed CPA and has worked for over 40 years in various accounting and finance roles, with 30 of those years as the CFO in public and private companies. He recently retired and now works as a financial consultant through his public accounting practice. Mr. Wagner is a Navy veteran. He is active in the Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Wagner and his wife live in Manatee County with their two children, who both attend high school in Manatee County.

Jim Daniel. CPA

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