For Kettering Board Of Education

Bock

Dear Voter,

Mike

Kettering's total tax base is declining. In order to raise the same total revenue for schools, individual property owners must pay more tax. For example, in 2002 Kettering borrowed \$102 million to make school building improvements. Last year, the effective rate for this bond was **3.6 mills.** This year it is **4.5 mills.**

Last May, I was appalled by the advertisements for the 6.9 mill renewal levy that promised "ZERO Increase In Taxes," and **"Not a Penny More."** But the truth is, because of the declining tax base, the effective rate for this levy is increasing. *(Continued on other side.)* Community Meeting Wed, October 21

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church At Stroop and Ackerman 7:00 PM

Candidate Forum --Sponsored by League of Women Voters.

Meet the Candidates For Kettering School Board



• 35 Year Kettering Resident

- Retired from 30 Years of teaching, West Carrollton High School
- BA, History and Mathematics, Asbury College, 1969
- MA, Educational Leadership, University of Dayton, 1988

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By renewing the levy last May, voters gave approval to increase the effective rate for this levy by as much as 12% (from the current effective rate of **6.16 mills** to the maximum approved effective rate of **6.9 mills**.)

Current board members approved the misleading levy ads that promised **"ZERO Increase In Taxes."** Kettering voters need to assert local control. The push to transform the system must come from the community via board elections.

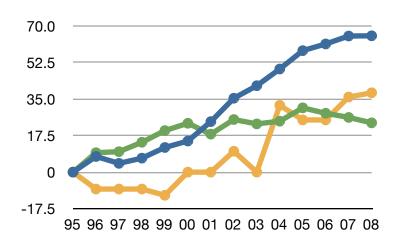
As a board member, I would:

 Practice transparency -- post all info on the web,
Create a public group to study in detail Kettering Schools and to make recommendations for the future.

Sincerely,

Míke Bock

- **Kettering Should Be The Leader**
- Strengthen local control via an active board
- Show Transparency
- Redefine school purpose
- Create a new design for 21st Century Education
- Spend money more effectively
- Make a long term plan



Total Percent Growth 1995-2008

- Kettering's per pupil expense (blue line) is increasing. This year Kettering will spend over \$11,200 on each student.
- Because Kettering's tax base (green line) is decreasing, the effective rate (gold line) must increase.

The 6.9 mill levy, voters approved to renew, last year had an effective rate of **6.13 mills**. This year the rate is **6.16 mills**. Because Kettering's tax base is decreasing, this effective rate will continue to rise.

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