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**The Editor
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Dear Sir;

Please print this in your Letters to the Editor section. Should you have any questions, you may call me at 523-1994

I am writing this in response to the article written by Ryan Gauthier's article of June 12th. There were several errors and omissions.

Mr. Gauthier was informed on May 18th of the Talawanda School Board's contesting property values and the Board's asking the City of Oxford to pay for the water, sewer, street widening and the traffic signal at the new high school., a request that could deplete the entire year's capital improvements budget for the City. I asked him to report these, but he failed to do so for the three weeks prior to our meeting. Mr. Gauthier also failed to report that the reason for forming a PAC (political action committee) is to insulate some of our backers, and their children, from retaliation by those who support the actions of the school board. Mr. Gauthier also failed to report that petitions for the repeal were available at Monday's meeting, and people lined up to sign them at the conclusion of the meeting.

While Dr. Cagwin says the Board wants "fair" assessments, increases up to 182% are not fair, they are ridiculous. I encourage readers to review some more of the fantastic assessments being viewed as fair by Dr. Cagwin on the Butler County Auditors web site, <http://www.butlercountyauditor.org/> If any readers have residential or agricultural property assessment that is being contested by the School Board, please email me at stoptsd@earthlink.net and include a copy of the letter you received from the Auditor's office.

Mr. Gauthier, I implore you to do a better job reporting this contentious issue.

For those who are interested in supporting our cause, our next meeting will be Monday, June 22nd at 7:30 p.m. at the Reily Community Center. The PAC will be registered and ready for operation. Petitions will be distributed at the meeting, and instructions regarding those petitions will be given. Our website, www.stoptsd.com, and YouTube accounts may be operational by that time. Our Twitter account is Stop TSD.

To all those that attended our meeting on June 8th, thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. L. Schnipper". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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