



**Board of Cooperative Educational Services
Sole Supervisory District
St. Lawrence-Lewis Counties
P.O. Box 231, 40 W. Main Street
Canton, New York 13617**

**Board of Education Meeting Date: December 12, 2024
BOE APPROVED: January 9, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of the Sole Supervisory District of St. Lawrence-Lewis Counties was held on Thursday, December 12, 2024 at the Seaway Technical Center, Norwood, New York beginning at 4:00 pm.

Roll Call:

Present: Roger Bennett, Jack Zeh, Todd Bates, Cindy McLean, Michael Davis, James Lattimer, Kevin Wells (arrived at 4:08 pm), Ward Remington and Michael Miller

Others Present: Thomas Burns and Johnathan Hirschey (arrived at 4:01 pm) Darin Saiff, Nicole Ashley, Jennie Colburn, Marshall Fiese, Kevin Perretta, Julie Austin-Kormanyos, Lori Remington, Lori Sheffield and Abram Adams

Nicki O'Donnell, Ami Larson, Jobie McCarthy, Eva Donahue, Carson Colbert (left at 4:19 pm)

All members stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments None

No. 2025 – 062 Motion made by Remington, seconded by Wells.

**ALL PERSONNEL
BOARD ACTION AS
FOLLOWS:**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES, upon the recommendation of District Superintendent Burns, does hereby approve the attached Personnel action: All of the following appointments are conditional, pending clearance from the State Education Department, pursuant to Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000 of the State of New York.

(In accordance with [Board Policy #5150](#) – Recruitment, Selection, & Appt. of Personnel)

Yeas: All members present

Nays: None

No. 025 – 063 Motion made by Davis, seconded by Bates.

**ADOPTION OF
BOARD POLICIES**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES, upon the recommendation of District Superintendent Burns, does hereby authorize the adoption of the final draft of the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Policy Manual as approved by Erie I BOCES Policy Services.

(In accordance with [Board Policy #1438](#) – Annual Organizational Meeting)

Yeas: All members present

Nays: None

**No. 2025 – 064
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CONTRACT**

Motion made by Wells, seconded by Miller.

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES, upon the recommendation of District Superintendent Burns, does hereby approve the following:

WHEREAS, It is the plan of a number of BOCES districts in New York, to consent to jointly enter into an agreement for the 2024 – 2025 fiscal year, for Kialo GmbH, 3P Learning, Carnegie Learning, Deeloh Technologies (dba Extempore), EdforTech Alliance, Khan Academy, Inc, Learning Explorer, Inc., MakeMusic, Inc., McGraw-Hill, Merlyn Mind, Inc.(CDWG), Mosa Mack Science, Inc., Study.com, Tequipment, Working on Learning (dba Teachermade), Brisk Labs Corp, Age of Learning, Inc, Benchmark Education Company, LLC, CharmTech Labs, Edmentum Harris Computer Corp, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, Imagination Station (dba Istation), Just Right Reader, Learning A-Z, Lexia Learning Systems, MobyMax Education, Nearpod, LLC, Newsela, Reading Horizons, Renaissance Learning, William H. Sadlier, Inc. and,

WHEREAS, The St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES is desirous of participating with other BOCES Districts in New York State in joint agreements for the software/learning packages and licensing mentioned above as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-0, and,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Board of Education authorizes Erie BOCES to represent it in all matters leading up to and entering into a contract for the purchase of and licensing of the above mentioned software/learning packages, and record training sessions in Zoom and post those recorded sessions to the consortium, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Board of Education agrees to assume its equitable share of the costs associated with Erie 1 BOCES negotiating the Agreements, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Board of Education agrees (1) to abide by majority decisions of the participating BOCES on quality standards; (2) Erie 1 BOCES will negotiate contracts according to the majority recommendations; (3) that after contract agreement, it will conduct all purchasing arrangements directly with the vendor.

(In accordance with [Board Policy #4310](#)– Purchasing Policy)

Yeas: All members present

Nays: None

**No. 2025 – 065
CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion made by Remington, seconded by Davis.

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES, upon the recommendation of District Superintendent Burns, does hereby approve the consent agenda:

- [Minutes of November 14, 2024 Meeting](#)
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1432](#) – Order of Business at Regular Board Meetings)
- Treasurer’s Report for period ending November 30, 2024:
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1432](#) – Order of Business at Regular Board Meetings)

A. Account Balances (November 30, 2024)

General Fund	\$6,296,953.94
Federal Fund	\$714,332.08
Trust & Agency Fund	\$894.61
Payroll Fund	\$0.00
Capital Equipment Reserve	\$206,869.62
Capital Renovation Project	\$157,457.24

B. Current Budget Allocation – November 30, 2024

[Budget Report](#) [District Billing](#)

General Fund Budget..... \$76,011,582.09

- Cooperative Bids
(In accordance with [Board Policy #4310](#)– Purchasing Policy)
 1. Institutional Paper – 2nd Half – 2024-2025
 2. Computer Supplies – 2nd Half – 2024-2025
- Donation
(In accordance with [Board Policy #4230](#) – Acceptance of Gifts, Grants, and Bequests to BOCES)
 - Donation of a dust collector to the Clifton-Fine Central School District from Southwest Technical Center.

Yeas: All members present

Nays: None

Reports [Thomas R. Burns, District Superintendent](#)

[Darin Saiff, Deputy Superintendent](#)

Discussion Items District Superintendent Evaluation

Informational Items Update of Facilities – K. Perretta

January 9th Board of Education meeting, 6:00pm at the Educational Services Center

Presentation Nicki O'Donnell, Principal and Ami Larson, Assistant Principal – Seaway Technical Center

Other None

No. 2025 – 066 Motion made by Zeh, seconded by Bates.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES, upon the recommendation of District Superintendent Burns, does hereby enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular employee at 4:48 pm.

Yeas: All members present

Nays: None

Board returned to regular session at 4:55 pm.

No. 2025 – 067 Motion made by Bates, seconded by McLean to adjourn the meeting at 4:56
ADJOURNMENT pm.

Yeas: All members present

Nays: None

Jennie L. Colburn, District Clerk