



**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 MEETING** – Thursday, February 12, 2026 – 6 p.m.

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**Board of Education Goals  
2025-2026**

St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES is committed to work successfully with component districts across the region:

- To increase student performance and enhance opportunities to access advanced coursework essential for a successful preparation for college, career, and citizenship.
- To promote regional sharing and delivery models through inter-BOCES as well as intra-BOCES arrangements
- To continuously evaluate BOCES services for quality, efficiency, and potential improvement, including input from our component school district partners
- To provide financial and operational solutions to our component school districts to provide training and build school district preparedness for reductions in federal and state aid, decreases in enrollment, and staffing challenges.

St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES will:

- Support BOCES and SLL component districts as they raise awareness and build capacity toward the implementation of the New York State Education Department's Portrait of a Graduate.
- Work with our Regional Partners, including SUNY Potsdam, to build and refine regional pipelines that will produce teachers and future educational leaders for the region, including the Ed Leadership Program at SUNY Potsdam and the Advanced Certificate in Special Education Program, and the District Superintendents' Innovation Committee and BOCES of NYS Teacher Ambassador Program.
- Work with component districts to provide the necessary professional development for a multi-year implementation of The Science of Reading, Numeracy and Science of Learning to address significant learning gaps across the region, as well as comply with new legislation and NYSED through regulations.
- Continue to provide BOCES faculty and staff with the information, resources and training necessary to protect digital information, including Personally Identifiable Information (PII) of staff/students and to protect our technology platforms. We will collaborate with the component school districts to support them in this area.
- Develop an organizational position statement on artificial intelligence during the 2025-26 school year.
- Fully support and assist our 18 component school districts with the implementation of the NYSED initiatives on both graduation measures and regionalization.

### **Opening Activities**

(In accordance with [Board Policy #1510](#) – Regular Board Meetings and Rules)

- I. Call to Order by President
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Public Comment Guidelines
- IV. Roll Call and Quorum Check
- V. Public Comments

### **Action Items**

- VI. [Personnel – See Attachment “A”](#)  
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5150](#) – Recruitment, Selection, and Appointment of Personnel)

This motion will include the entire personnel section of the agenda.

**A motion is needed to approve the Personnel as presented in Attachment “A”.**

- VII. [Contract Agreements](#)  
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1310](#) – Power and Duties of the Board and Its Officers)

**A motion is needed to approve the Contract Agreements between the SLL BOCES Board of Education with the Deputy Superintendent, commencing August 4, 2025 and ending June 30, 2030 and revised agreements for the Director of Financial Affairs and General Counsel, commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2030.**

- VIII. [NYS Distant Learning Contract Consortium](#)  
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5410](#) – Purchasing: Competitive Bidding and Offering)

**A motion is needed to approve the participation in the NYS Distance Learning Contract Consortium for the 2026-2027 school year with the understanding that the BOCES pays one center to RFP and bid DL software applications. The cost associated is \$2,500.00.**

- IX. [NYS Instructional Contract Consortium](#)  
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5410](#) – Purchasing: Competitive Bidding and Offering)

**A motion is needed to approve the participation in the NYS Instructional Contract Consortium for 2026-2027 school year with the understanding that each BOCES pays one center to RFP and bid instructional software applications which are procured through Instructional Technology (6360) CoSers and supported by professional development and training through Model Schools (6368). The cost associated is \$6,200.00.**

- X. Local Bids – Educational Services Center – Conference Center Improvements – Phase 2  
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5410](#) – Purchasing: Competitive Bidding and Offering)

**A motion is needed to approve the bid award to the lowest bidder meeting the specifications for lobby and conference room improvements at the Educational Services Center to Whitton Construction, New York with the base bid of \$218,800.00 and for approval to use capital outlay funds for the project.**

- XI. Local Bids – Northwest Technical Center – Welding Lab Flooring  
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5410](#) – Purchasing: Competitive Bidding and Offering)

**A motion is needed to approve the bid award to the lowest bidder meeting the specifications for welding lab flooring installation at the Northwest Technical Center to Northern Tier Contracting, Inc., New York with the base bid of \$43,400.00 and for approval to use capital outlay funds for the project.**

- XII. Local Bids – Educational Services Center – Mechanical/Electrical Improvements - Phase 2 (Switchgear)  
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5410](#) – Purchasing: Competitive Bidding and Offering)

**A motion is needed to approve the bid award to the lowest bidder meeting the specifications for Phase 2 (switchgear) mechanical/electrical improvements at the Educational Services Center to Collins-Hammond Electrical Contractors, New York with the base bid of \$190,000.00 and for approval to use capital outlay funds for the project.**

- XIII. Consent Items for Approval:

- Treasurer’s Report for period ending January 31, 2026:  
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1510](#) – Regular Board Meetings and Rules)

A. Account Balances (January 31, 2026)

General Fund	\$9,111,124.44
Federal Fund	\$1,437,042.87
Trust & Agency Fund	\$4,236.30
Payroll Fund	\$0.00
Capital Equipment Reserve	\$207,839.57
Capital Renovation Project	\$329,777.84

B. Current Budget Allocation – January 31, 2026

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

General Fund Budget..... \$79,907,395.82

- Adoption of the St. Lawrence-Lewis Counties 2026-2027 Common Calendar  
(In accordance with [Board Policy #7320](#) – School Calendar / School Day)

Rationale: The common school calendar for the 2026-2027 school year has been adopted and approved by the majority of the component school districts in the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Sole Supervisory District. The calendar, as presented, is ready for approval and adoption by the BOCES BOE.

- Minutes of [January 8, 2026 Meeting](#) and [February 5, 2026](#)  
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1510](#) – Regular Board Meetings and Rules)
- Cooperative Bids  
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5410](#) – Purchasing: Competitive Bidding and Offering)
  - Produce for March / April 2026
- Donations  
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5230](#) – Acceptance of Gifts, Grants, Memorializations and Bequests to BOCES)
  - Donation of a commercial ice cream machine/ice cream maker, with an approximate value of \$700.00, from the Hoof & Horn Butcher & Eatery, Potsdam, New York to the Northwest Technical Center.

**A motion is needed to approve the above consent agenda items.**

XIV. Reports

- A. [Darin Saiff, District Superintendent](#)
- B. [James Nee, Deputy Superintendent](#)

XV. Discussion Items

XVI. Informational Items

- A. Update on Facilities – K. Perretta
- B. Legislative Session – Friday, February 27, 11:00 am at the ESC
- C. Regular Board of Education Meeting – Thursday, March 12, 6:00 pm at the ESC

XVII. Presentations

- A. Nicki O'Donnell, Principal, Seaway Tech Center

XVIII. Other

- A. [New York Inspires](#)

XIX. Adjournment