



**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, January 8, 2026 – 6 p.m.

**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. Resolution

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES does hereby approve and direct the District Superintendent to execute the agreement to resolve the 3020a charges that were brought forward against a tenured teacher at the June 5, 2025 Board of Education meeting.

- VIII. Consent Items for Approval:

- Treasurer’s Report for period ending December 31, 2025:
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1510](#) – Regular Board Meetings and Rules)

A. Account Balances (December 31, 2025)

General Fund	\$7,001,829.23
Federal Fund	\$889,095.94
Trust & Agency Fund	\$3,453.16
Payroll Fund	\$0.00
Capital Equipment Reserve	\$207,768.99
Capital Renovation Project	\$338,888.58

B. Current Budget Allocation – December 31, 2025

[Budget Report](#)

[District Billing](#)

General Fund Budget..... \$79,540,268.62

- [Minutes of December 11, 2025 Meeting](#)
(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 January / February 2026
 - Cafeteria Foods for February – August 2026
- [Donations](#)
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5230](#) – Acceptance of Gifts, Grants, Memorializations and Bequests to BOCES)
 - Donation of a 2013 Dodge Charger with an approximate value of \$5,000.00 from the Gouverneur Police Department, Gouverneur, NY to the Criminal Justice program at Southwest Technical Center.
 - Donation of approximately \$300.00 in scrap aluminum from Viking Cives, Harrisville, NY to the Metalworking program at Southwest Technical Center.

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

IX. [Reports](#)

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

X. [Discussion Items](#)

XI. [Informational Items](#)

- A. Update on Facilities – K. Perretta
- B. Special Board of Education Meeting - Thursday, February 5, 3:00 pm at the ESC
- C. Regular Board of Education Meeting – Thursday, February 12, 6:00 pm at the ESC

XII. [Presentations](#)

XIII. [Other](#)

- A. [Internal Claims Auditor Report: October 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025](#)

XIV. [Adjournment](#)