



**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 AGENDA

Thursday, May 14, 2026 – 6:00 pm

**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.

AGENDA

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 – 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. Approval of Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5410](#) – Purchasing: Competitive Bidding and Offering)

A motion is needed to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, various educational and municipal corporations located within the State of New York desire to bid jointly for generally needed services and standardized supply and equipment items; and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES, an educational/municipal corporation (hereinafter the “Participant”) is desirous of selectively participating with other educational and/or municipal corporations in the State of New York in joint bidding in the areas mentioned above pursuant to General Municipal Law § 119-o and Education Law Section 1950; and

WHEREAS, the Participant is a municipality within the meaning of General Municipal Law § 119-n and is eligible to participate in the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, First Supervisory District of Suffolk County (hereinafter Eastern Suffolk BOCES) Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program (hereinafter the “Program”) in the areas mentioned above; and

WHEREAS, the Participant acknowledges receipt of the Program description inclusive of Eastern Suffolk BOCES’ standard bid packet and the general conditions relating to said Program; and

WHEREAS, with respect to all activities conducted by the Program, the Participant wishes to delegate to Eastern Suffolk BOCES the responsibility for drafting of bid specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, evaluating bids, awarding via Eastern Suffolk BOCES Board approval, and reporting the results to the Participant.

WHEREAS, the Participant acknowledges that “additional insured” status shall be secured by signing a risk transfer/Indemnification Agreement when engaging services through the Cooperative Bidding Program with each awarded vendor when Services are requested. Said agreement must be signed by both parties and will remain in effect for the current term of the Bid. In the event the Bid is extended, and a Participant requires Service, a new risk transfer/Indemnification Agreement must be executed.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Participant hereby appoints Eastern Suffolk BOCES to represent it and to act as the lead agent in all matters related to the Program as described above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Participant hereby authorizes Eastern Suffolk BOCES to place all legal advertisements for any required cooperative bidding in Newsday, which is designated as the official newspaper for the Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Participant Meeting shall be held annually consisting of a representative from each Program Participant. Notice of the meeting shall be given to each representative at least five (5) days prior to such meeting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an Advisory Committee will be formed consisting of five to ten representatives of Program Participants for a term of three (3) years as authorized by General Municipal Law §119-o.2.j.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Agreement with the Participant shall be for a term of one (1) year as authorized by General Municipal Law §119-o.2.j.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Participant agrees to pay Eastern Suffolk BOCES an annual fee as determined annually by Eastern Suffolk BOCES to act as the lead agent for the Program.

- **Networked Copiers bid #2025-044-0402**

VIII. [2026-2027 BOCES Administrative, Program and Capital Budget](#)
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1310](#) – Power and Duties of the Board; with [Board Policy #5110](#) – Budget Planning and Preparation; and [Board Policy #5220](#) – BOCES Investments)

Rationale: Component Boards of Education met on Monday, April 20, 2026, the date designated by BOCES Board President to vote on the BOCES Administrative Budget and three BOCES board terms. The Administrative budget was approved by all 18 component school boards voting in favor. Todd Bates, Michael Miller and Kevin Wells were elected to the three, three-year board terms – July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2029.

A motion is needed to adopt the 2026-2027 BOCES Administrative, Program, and Capital Budget as presented and approved by the component schools’ boards of education.

IX. [BOCES Annual Meeting Date](#)
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1310](#) – Powers and Duties of the Board)

Rationale: The date must meet the requirements of the Laws of 1993 – BOCES Reform Act, which states a meeting of the members of the board of education and school trustees of the component school districts shall be held during the month of April on or before

the fifteenth day of April, on a date and place and hour designated by the present of the board of cooperative educational services. (Ed. Law §1950)

A motion is needed to set the 2027 Annual Meeting date for the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES. The date will be Thursday, April 8, 2027.

- X. Set Date for Component Districts Vote on BOCES Administrative Budget and Board Vacancies for 2027
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1210](#) – Board Members: Nomination and Election)

Rationale: Pursuant to §1950, subdivision 2-a(b) of the Education Law of the State of New York (in compliance with the BOCES Reform Legislation, 1993), the president of the BOCES shall designate a single date on or after the 16th date and on or before the 30th date of April on which each component board shall conduct a public meeting, which may be a regular or special meeting, for the purpose of electing members of the BOCES and adopting a public resolution concerning the approval or disapproval of the tentative administrative budget.

A motion is needed to set the date of Monday, April 26, 2027, on which each component school district shall conduct a public meeting for the purpose of electing members of the BOCES and adopting a resolution concerning the approval or disapproval of the tentative administrative budget.

- XI. Internal Auditor
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5570](#) – Financial Accountability)

A motion is needed to approve Questar III as the internal auditor for the 2026-2027 school year.

- XII. External Auditor
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5570](#) – Financial Accountability)

A motion is needed to approve the RFP award for the External Auditor for the fiscal years 2025-2026 to 2029-2030 to Bowers and Company, 1120 Commerce Park Drive, Watertown, New York 13601.

- XIII. Local Bid
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5410](#) – Purchasing: Competitive Bidding and Offering)

A motion is needed to approve the bid award for the highest bidder meeting specifications (minimum bid of \$110,000.00) for:

- **Modular Home located at Seaway CTE Center, Norwood, NY**
Sale of Modular Home located at Seaway CTE Center for a base bid amount of \$110,000.00, sales tax \$8,800.00 - total of \$118,800.00 to Jennifer Clark, Norwood, New York.

- XIV. Installment Purchases
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5410](#) – Purchasing: Competitive Bidding and Offering)

Rationale: The Board of Education finds and determines that it is in St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES' best financial interest to acquire the equipment for the benefit of the District because:

- It provides an opportunity to use the equipment without committing to the full costs of purchase; and

- After seeking competitive quotes, Lessor provides the most financially advantageous lease terms.

A motion is needed to approve the installment purchases for:

- **Harrisville Central School District for two (2) network printers with Symquest in the amount of \$14,430.00 for the 2025-2026 school year. The monthly cost of equipment is \$240.50 per month for a term of 60 months.**
- **Madrid-Waddington Central School District for the 2025-2026 school year with Advanced Business Systems for three (3) network printers in the amount of \$59,580.00. The monthly cost of equipment is \$933.00 per month for a term of 60 months.**

The equipment is being purchased through CoSer 506, Instructional Technology. In accordance with NYS Education Law, installment purchases require approval by board resolution and approval by the State Education Department.

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

A motion is needed to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, It is the plan of a number of BOCES districts in New York, to consent to jointly enter into an agreement for the 2026-2027 fiscal year for BookNook Inc., Connections Education LLC dba Pearson Virtual Schools, D2L Ltd., Edmentum, eDoctrina, Educere, Florida Virtual School (FlexPoint Education), Fullmind (Formerly iTutor), Imagine Learning LLC, Instructure, Inc., Kaltura, MGRM Pinnacle, MyVRSpot (dba MyVideoSpot), Panapto, Inc., PowerSchool, Right Reason Technologies, Spider Learning, Inc., Tutor Me Education, Varsity Tutors for Schools LLC

WHEREAS, The St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES is desirous of participating with other BOCES Districts in New York State in joint agreements for the distance learning student courses 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 1 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 courses, 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.

- XVI. NYSITCC Contract
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5410](#) – Purchasing: Competitive Bidding and Offering)

A motion is needed to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, It is the plan of a number of BOCES districts in New York, to consent to jointly enter into an agreement for the 2026 – 2027 fiscal year, for 3P Learning, 7 Mindsets Academy, A+ Educators dba Woz ED, Accelerate Learning, Age of Learning, Inc, Aha Moments, Inc., Airia Holdings LLC dba Brain Freeze LLC, American Reading, Amplify Education, Inc., Apple, Ativion (formerly Impero Software), B.E. Publishing, Beable Education, Benchmark Education Company LLC, Blocks, Boddle Learning Inc., Boom Learning, Brain Pop, Branching Minds LLC, Breakout EDU, Bright Village Ventures LLC, Brisk Labs Corp., Carahsoft, Carnegie Learning, CDW Lightspeed Soutions LLC dba Lightspeed Systems, CEED, Inc., Cengage Learning, Inc. (formerly Gale), CentralReach, LLC, CharmTech Labs, LLC, Classwork.com dba Work on Learning, Inc., CMS Neptune, Code.org, CodeCombat, CodeHS, Inc., Code Monkey, Coder Kids, Inc. DBA Ellipsis Education, Committee for Children, Concourse Tech Inc., Cordance Operations LLC dba Hapara, Creative Empire dba Mango Languages, Curipod Inc., Curriculum Associates, Deeloh Technologies, Inc. (DBA Extempore), Defined Learning, Delta Math Solutions, Digital Respons-Ability, Discovery Education, Drone Sports Inc., DroneBlocks LLC, EBSCO, EdforTech Alliance, EdforTech Corp., Edia Learning, EdTechLive dba LessonLoop, Edmentum, EdPuzzle, Education Advanced, Education Training and Research Associates (ETR), Educational Vistas, EduPlanet21, eDynamic Holdings, LP, Electronic Gaming Federation, Elemetari LLC, EliteGamingLive, Encyclopedia Britannica, Inc., Ereflect Inc, eSpark Learning Inc., EverFi, Family Zone dba Linewize, Faria (Rubicon West, Inc.), Find Your Grind Inc., Flint, Forward Education, Frontline Technologies Group, Genially, Grammar Flip, LLC, Great Minds PBC, Harris Education Solutions (eDoctrina), Hello World CS, Hiperware Labs, Hive Class, Inc., HMH Education Company (formerly Houghton Mifflin Harcourt), imagiLabs AB, Imagine Learning LLC, Immersed Games, Infobase Holdings, Instructional Empowerment Inc. dba Marzano Evaluation Center, Instructure, Intelitek Inc. (Coder Z), iSafe, iStation (Imagination Station), IXL Learning, Just Right Reader, Kahoot! ASA, Khan Academy, Kialo GmbH, Kiddom, Kinems, Kira Learning, Knowt Inc., Koalluh, Inc. dba LitLab.ai, Kognity, US, Inc., Lazel, Inc., a Cambium Learning Group company (Formerly ExploreLearning and Learning A-Z), Learn By Doing, Learnics, Learning Ally, Learning Explorer Inc. , Learning Without Tears, Learning.com, Legends of Learning, LEGO Brand Retail, Inc. dba Lego Education, Lexia Learning Systems LLC, Liminex Inc. dba GoGuardian and Pear Deck Learning, Linkit, Local Impact, Logisoft Computer Products, LLC, MagicSchool Inc., Maia Learning, Makers Empire, Mathspace Inc., MantisEDU Inc., McGraw Hill, Merlyn Mind Inc., Mind Education, Moby Max Education, Mosa Mack Science, Inc., Mr. Elmer LLC, MusicFirst, Newsela, NextWave Stem, No RedInk, Noiz Ivy, Inc. dba OYOclass.com, Notable dba Kami, Panorama Education, Pearson, Performance Learning Systems dba PLS 3rd Learning, Platform Athletics, LLC, Play Vs Inc. (acquitted by High School eSports League), PowerSchool Holdings, LLC dba PowerSchool Group LLC, Prometric, Prisms of Reality Inc., ProSolve, LLC, Quaver, Radish Education dba Magma Math, Reading Horizons, Renaissance Learning, Rethink Autims dba Rethink ED, Right Reason Technologies, Ripple Effects, Riverside Assessments LLC dba Riverside Insights (formerly Aperture Education LLC), RocketLit Inc., Robo Wunderkind, Rocket Drones, Inc., SAM Labs, SAY IT Labs Inc, SchoolAI, SchoolBeat (formerly MooZoom), SchoolLinks, SchoolStatus LLC (formerly SchoolBinder dba TechBoost), Scoir, Securly Inc., SeeSaw Learning, SkillStruck Inc., Smart Science Education (acquired by Pitsco Education, Inc.), Springbay Studio Ltd., STEM SIMS, Study.com LLC, Suntex, Superluminal Technology, Inc. dba Passport for Good, Tech4Learning, TechRow, Tequipment, The Language Express dba Brighten Learning, Thimble.io, Think Group Holdings, Inc. dba Frenalytics, Think Tech Solutions, Thriving Students Collective Inc., TinkRworks, Inc., Tools For Schools, TouchMath Acquitision LLC dba TouchMath LLC, TrueMark Systems Corporation, Unruly Studios Inc., Varsity Tutors for Schools (Nerdy), Vernier Science Education, Vivi, LLC, Wakelet, Wallwisher, Inc. dba Padlet, Waterford, Wayground (formerly Quizizz, WeVideo, WhyMaker, William H. Sadlier, Inc, World Book, Inc., World Wide Scholastic eSports Foundation (NASEF), XAP Corporation, Xello, YourWay Learning (LINC, Learning Innovation Catalyst), YouScience, LLC, zSpace Inc.

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 1 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.

XVII. DREAM Consortium

(In accordance with [Board Policy #5410](#) – Purchasing: Competitive Bidding and Offering)

A motion is needed to approve the following resolution for the 2026-2027 school year:

WHEREAS, A number of Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) and School Library Systems (SLS) require software and database access

WHEREAS, The BOCES or SLS named below is desirous of participating with other BOCES and SLS in New York State in cooperatively procuring the software and database access, as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-o, and

WHEREAS, The BOCES named below wishes to appoint the Albany-Schoharie-Schenectady-Saratoga BOCES (Capital Region BOCES) to advertise for, receive competitive proposals, and award contracts on their behalf; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That the BOCES listed below hereby appoints the Capital Region BOCES to represent it in all matters relating above, and designates the Daily Gazette Newspaper as the legal publication for all related legal notifications, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the BOCES listed below authorizes Capital Region BOCES to represent it in all matters leading up to and including the entering into contracts for the purchase of the above mentioned software and database access, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the BOCES listed below agrees to (1) abide by majority decisions of the participating districts; (2) abide by the award of the Capital Region BOCES Board; (3) and that after the award of contracts it will conduct all negotiations directly with the awarded contractors.

XVIII. Consent Agenda Items for Action

- Minutes of Regular Board Meeting – [April 1, 2026](#)
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1510](#) – Regular Board Meetings and Rules)
- Treasurer's Report for period ending March 31, 2026:
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1510](#) – Regular Board Meetings and Rules)

A. Account Balances (March 31, 2026)

General Fund	\$13,402,532.42
Federal Fund	\$913,145.26
Trust & Agency Fund	\$5,779.98
Payroll Fund	\$0.00
Capital Equipment Reserve	\$207,973.98
Capital Renovation Project	\$248,498.43

B. Current Budget Allocation – March 31, 2026

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

General Fund Budget..... \$81,508,315.58

- Treasurer’s Report for period ending April 30, 2026:
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1510](#) – Regular Board Meetings and Rules)

C. Account Balances (April 30, 2026)

General Fund	\$5,758,518.21
Federal Fund	\$678,233.17
Trust & Agency Fund	\$6,496.37
Payroll Fund	\$0.00
Capital Equipment Reserve	\$208,042.35
Capital Renovation Project	\$248,518.85

D. Current Budget Allocation – April 30, 2026

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

General Fund Budget..... \$82,820,129.76

- Donations
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5230](#) – Acceptance of Gifts, Grants, Memorializations and Requests to BOCES)
 - Donation of 20 dump truck loads of fill from the Town of Fowler, New York to the Heavy Equipment Operations program at Southwest Technical Center. The fill has an approximate value of \$6,000.00
 - Donation of approximately \$200.00 in medical supplies from the Waddington Rescue Squad, Waddington, New York to the HERO’s EMT program at Southwest Technical Center.
- Cooperative Bids
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5410](#) – Purchasing: Competitive Bidding and Offering)
 - Copy Paper for 1st Half 2026-2027
 - Institutional Paper for 1st Half 2026-2027
 - General Office Supplies for 2026-2027
 - Art Supplies for 2026-2027
 - Computer Supplies for 2026-2027

- Printed Envelopes for 2026-2027
 - Athletic Equipment & Supplies for 2026-2027
 - Transportation Supplies for 2026-2027
 - Milk for 2026-2027
 - Bread for 2026-2027
 - Health Supplies for 2026-2027
 - Teaching Aids for 2026-2027
 - Cosmetology Supplies & Kits for 2026-2027
 - Construction Paper for 2026-2027
 - Ice Cream for 2026-2027
- Date and Time for the July 2026 Organizational Meeting
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1620](#) – Annual Organizational Meeting)

The date, time and location of the Organizational Meeting in July will be Thursday, July 2, 2026 at 4:00 pm at the BOCES Educational Services Center, 40 West Main Street, Canton, New York 13617.

- Certification Re-Approval of four (4) CTE Programs and Approval of one (1) New Program
(In accordance with [Board Policy #7170](#) – Instructional Technology)

<u>Re-approval:</u>	Cosmetology Heavy Equipment Operation Natural Resource Management Professions in Education
<u>Approval:</u>	Animal Science

A motion is needed to approve the above consent.

XIX. Reports

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

XX. Informational Items

- A. Update on Facilities – K. Perretta
- B. There will be a “retirement reception” from 4-5 pm prior to the 5pm BOE meeting on Thursday, June 4th at the Educational Services Center.
- C. Save the Date – NYSSBA Area 6 Dinner – October 8, 2026

XXI. Discussion Items

XXII. Presentations

- A. Holly Durham, Principal, Southwest Technical Center

XXIII. Adjournment