



**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 – Wednesday, September 10, 2025 – 6 p.m.

**Board of Education Goals
2024-2025**

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.
- To support BOCES and SLL component districts as they raise awareness and build capacity toward the implementation of the New York State Education Department's Culturally Responsive Sustaining Education Framework.

St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES will:

- 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 to address significant literacy 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 2024-25 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. Professional Development Plan (PDP for 2025-2026)
(In accordance with Commissioner’s Regulations as mandated by Part 100.2)

A motion is needed to approve the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Professional Development Plan (PDP) as mandated by Part 100.2 of the Commissioner’s Regulations.

- VIII. Approval Application for CTE Program: Part 1

A motion is needed to approve the application to be submitted to the New Yorks State Education Department, CTE Program Approval, for the Health, Emergency and Rescue Occupations (HERO) program at the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Southwest Technical Center, Fowler, NY for the 2026-2027 school year.

- IX. Declaration of Emergency Project
(In accordance with General Municipal Law; Laws of NY, Consolidated Laws, PBB, Article 2; Section 9 – construction emergencies)

A motion is needed to approve the following emergency project:

- **Seaway Technical Center – Heating/Cooling System – the condition required immediate corrective action and could not await execution of proper bidding procedures due to the health and safety concerns.**

The public emergency is defined by the General Municipal Law as an accident or other unforeseen occurrence or condition affecting public buildings, public property, or life, health, safety, or property.

- X. Consent Items for Approval:

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

A. Account Balances (August 31, 2025)

General Fund	\$1,494,199.64
Federal Fund	\$225,106.37
Trust & Agency Fund	\$618.46
Payroll Fund	\$0.00
Capital Renovation Project	\$488,637.09
Capital Equipment Reserve	\$207,491.43

B. Current Budget Allocation – August 31, 2025

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

General Fund Budget..... \$80,602,676.60

- [Minutes of August 21, 2025 Meeting](#)
(In accordance with [Board Policy #1510](#) – Regular Board Meetings and Rules)
- [Donation](#)
(In accordance with [Board Policy #5230](#) – Acceptance of Gifts, Grants, Memorializations and Requests to BOCES)

In memory of J.P. Sochia, a donation of \$200.00 to assist Seaway Technical Center students in need with the start of the school year from Patricia and Wayne Brabaw, Parishville, NY.

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

XI. Reports

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

XII. Discussion Items

- A. [Policy 7316 – Student Use of Personal Technology](#) – The first read of this policy was at the August 21, 2025 Board meeting. This is the second read.
- B. [Policy 6161 – Conference/Travel Expense Reimbursement](#) – The first read of this policy was at the August 21, 2025 Board meeting. This is the second read.
- C. 2025-2026 Board of Education Goals

XIII. Informational Items

- A. Update on Facilities – K. Perretta
- B. Fall Open Houses:
 - September 23 – Seaway Tech Center
 - October 2 – Southwest Tech
 - October 15 – Northwest Tech
 - October 20 – Ag Academy

- C. Next Board of Education Meeting – Thursday, October 10, 6:00 pm at ESC
- D. Regent Catania Dinner – Wednesday, October 29, 5:30 pm at Northwest Tech

XIV. Presentation

XV. Pass-Around Information

XVI. Adjournment