

**BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES OF THE  
SOLE SUPERVISORY DISTRICT OF THE COUNTIES OF  
ST. LAWRENCE-LEWIS**

**BALLOT FOR ELECTION TO BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

There are **three (3) vacancies** on the board of cooperative educational services to be filled at the annual election to be held on Monday, April 22, 2024 or at the next regularly scheduled meeting. The trustees or board of education of each component school district, by resolution, may cast one vote for each vacancy to be filled, provided that no more than one vote may be cast for any candidate. No more than one person residing in a particular component school district may be elected to serve on the board of cooperative educational services at one time, except as provided in Education Law 1950(2a). The district clerk or other officer authorized to certify that a board resolution has been adopted, shall complete the ballot by placing an "X" next to the name of each candidate for whom a vote has been cast, and by completing the certification below.

**Candidates are listed in alphabetical order with their address and school district of residence.**

1. **Candidate Name** James Lattimer  
**Address** 15 Union Street, PO Box 15  
Brasher Falls, New York 13613   
  
(School District) Brasher Falls Central School District

2. **Candidate Name** Ward Remington  
**Address** Old Potsdam-Parishville Road  
Potsdam, New York 13676   
  
(School District) Parishville-Hopkinton Central School District

3. **Candidate Name** Dr. John "Jack" Zeh  
**Address** 220 Hill Road  
Hermon, New York 13652   
  
(School District) Edwards-Knox Central School District

**CERTIFICATION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, District Clerk of the \_\_\_\_\_ School District do hereby certify that at a public meeting held Monday, April 22, 2024, or at the next regularly scheduled meeting, the Board of Education of the \_\_\_\_\_ School District adopted a resolution casting its vote or votes in the annual election of members of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services for the person or persons indicated on the above ballot.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature - District Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## BOCES NOMINATION FORM

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education of the Brasher Falls Central School District hereby nominates James K. Lattimer of Brasher Falls, New York, to fill a vacant seat on the St. Lawrence-Lewis Counties BOCES Board.

### BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF NOMINEE

Name: James K. Lattimer

Address: 15 Union Street, P.O. Box 15, Brasher Falls, New York 13613

Education: Goshen High School 1965, SUNY Orange 1980 with AAS in applied science.

Educational Experience (Board Service, etc): Member of the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Board of Education from July 2015 to present; Member of the Brasher Falls Central School District Board of Education, April 2006 to June 2018 (President, 4 years; Vice-President 2 years; Legislative Liaison 5 years); and Vice-President of the St. Lawrence-Lewis Counties School Boards Association for 2 years. I was presented with the Developmental Achievement Citation by New York State School Boards Association in 2008.

Work Experience: Food Service Supervisor at Orange County Health Related Facility 1966 through 1988. Public Health Technician at Orange County Department of Health 1988 through 2004. Retired in 2004 with 38 years of service.

Miscellaneous Information: Military Service (Army) 1966 – 1968 and a Vietnam Veteran. I also worked as a self-employed nutritional consultant for seven AARC facilities and one nursing home. After retirement, I worked as a consultant for a local dairy plant operation to rewrite and update preventative maintenance procedures; then worked for a local cheese production plant to write an implement lockout/tagout procedures for all of their processing equipment to meet OSHA standards.

**Please return nomination form to:**

Maureen Bouchey, District Clerk  
BOCES Sole Supervisory District  
St. Lawrence-Lewis Counties  
P.O. Box 231, 40 West Main Street  
Canton, New York 13617

**by Friday, March 22, 2024 (close of business)**

Email: [jennie.colburn@sllboces.org](mailto:jennie.colburn@sllboces.org)

**Please email form or provide a hard copy via van mail.**

**Brasher Falls Central School District**  
**St. Lawrence Central School**

P.O. Box 307  
Brasher Falls, New York 13613  
(315) 389-5131  
(315) 389-5245 Fax

February 13, 2024

Attn: Jennie Colburn, District Clerk  
St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES  
P.O. Box 231  
Canton, New York 13617

Dear District Clerk Colburn:

The Brasher Falls Central School Board of Education unanimously supports the nomination of James K. Lattimer as a candidate for the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Board of Education.

We continue to feel Jim has been an effective member of the St. Lawrence-Lewis Counties BOCES Board since July 2015. He was a very actively involved member of the Brasher Falls Central School Board of Education from April 2006 through June 2018. On our Board, he served as legislative liaison 5 of his 12 years; Vice-President for 2 years and President for 3 years. He was recognized by the NYS School Board's Association and presented with the Developmental Achievement Citation in 2008.

Jim previously served as Vice-President of the St. Lawrence County School Boards Association for two years. The SLLCSBA is involved with several activities including new school board member training, senior recognition dinner and a legislative breakfast which is channeling efforts to assist all school districts.

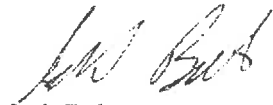
Jim is one of eight children who grew up on a dairy farm in the Hudson Valley. He graduated from high school in 1965 and served our country (Army) from 1966 – 1968 and is a Vietnam Veteran. He graduated from SUNY Orange with an AAS in applied science. He worked as a Food Service Supervisor for Orange County Health Related Facility from 1966 – 1988. He then went on to be a Public Health Technician for Orange County Department of Health from 1988 until his retirement in 2004. After which, Jim and his family relocated to Brasher Falls where he continued to work as a consultant for a local dairy operation rewriting and updating their preventative maintenance procedures. Later, he worked for local cheese production plant writing and implementing their lockout/tagout procedures for their processing equipment to meet OSHA standards.

Jim has also been very involved with the Brasher Falls Community. He and his wife, Cheryl, have been members of the Quad-Town Seniors Citizens Club since 2006, where he also served as

president for a year. He is also a member of the Brasher Falls United Methodist Church where he has served as a Trustee.

On a personal note, we feel Jim would continue to make an excellent BOCES Board Member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Seth Belt".

Seth Belt

President of the Board of Education

## BOCES NOMINATION FORM

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education of the Parishville-Hopkinton Central School District hereby nominates Ward Remington of Potsdam, New York, to fill a vacant seat on the St. Lawrence-Lewis Counties BOCES Board.

### BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF NOMINEE

Name: Ward Remington

Address: Old-Potsdam Parishville Road  
Potsdam, NY 13676

Education:

Parishville-Hopkinton Central School District (1975)

SUNY Potsdam – B.A. in Biology, Minor in Mathematics (1979)

Educational Experience (Board Service, etc)

PHCS Board of Education [2000-2017; 2018-2023]

SLL BOCES Board of Education [2021-Present]

Work Experience:

NYS Parks and Recreation [1982-1984]

NYS Department of Health [1984-2017]

Miscellaneous Information:

Mr. Remington has been married to his wife Julie for over 40 years. The two share six children and thirteen grandchildren. Ward continues to enjoy retired life, and is actively involved in the region's public education as a St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Board Member.

**Please return nomination form to:**

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St. Lawrence-Lewis Counties  
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## PARISHVILLE-HOPKINTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**  
Steven G. Coffin

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Katie J. Thomas

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**  
Kathleen M. Cruikshank

**ATHLETIC COORDINATOR**  
Elizabeth M. White

**BUSINESS MANAGER**  
Colleen E. B. Ayers

**CPSE/CSE CHAIRPERSON**  
Michelle C. Murray

**SUPERINTENDENT OF  
BUILDINGS & GROUNDS AND  
TRANSPORTATION**  
Nathan A. Derushia

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
Cassie Hayes  
Heather Liebfred  
Joseph McGill  
Thomas Morrison  
Jared Remington  
Christina Snell  
Janine Sullivan  
Jeffrey Yette  
Timothy Zellweger

Dear Mr. Burns,

I am writing to recommend Mr. Ward Remington as a candidate for the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Board of Education. I offer Ward my highest recommendation without reservation. His many years of experience in serving the North Country school community have showcased his unwavering support for our students.

Ward served over 20 years on the Parishville-Hopkinton Central School Board of Education, and throughout that time did not waver in his support for students nor did he shy away from difficult decisions that needed to be made. Ward was always a unifying member of the BoE and understood, more than most, what the essential function of being a Board of Education member is, which is driving the priorities of the District by empowering the instructional leaders.

There was never any doubt that Ward's number-one priority was providing the best academic programming possible for all students. This meant varying pathways and outcomes for different students and ensuring that the academic leaders were also focused on those opportunities and outcomes. I cannot say enough good things about collaborating with Mr. Remington and very much appreciated his perspective and professionalism when serving on our Board of Education. You won't find a better candidate for the BOCES Board. If I may be of further assistance in supporting Mr. Remington's nomination, please do hesitate to contact me.

Best Regards,

Steven G Coffin  
Superintendent of Schools

P. O. Box 187  
12 COUNTY ROUTE 47  
PARISHVILLE, NEW YORK 13672  
PHONE: (315) 265 - 4642  
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## **BOCES NOMINATION FORM**

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education of the Edwards-Knox Central School District hereby nominates Dr. John "Jack" Zeh of Hermon, New York, to fill a vacant seat on the St. Lawrence-Lewis Counties BOCES Board.

### **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF NOMINEE**

Name: Dr. John "Jack" Zeh

Address: 220 Hill Road, Hermon, NY 13652

Education: BA at Cornell University and DVM at Cornell University

Educational Experience (Board Service, etc): Served on Heuvelton Central School Board of Education from 1981-2013. Board President for over 20 years at Heuvelton Central School. St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Board from 2012-2024. Edwards-Knox Central School Board of Education from 2023 until current.

Work Experience: Retired owner and operator of Town & Country Veterinary Clinics in Ogdensburg, Potsdam and Massena, New York.

Miscellaneous Information: Passionate and well-informed about public education in Northern New York.

**Please return nomination form to:**

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## EDWARDS-KNOX CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Roger Tresidder  
John Zeh  
Brandi Graham, Clerk

February 1, 2024

Mr. Thomas Burns  
District Superintendent  
St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES  
PO Box 231  
40 West Main Street  
Canton, NY 13617

Subject: Endorsement for Dr. John "Jack" Zeh's Re-election to the SLL BOCES Board of Education

Dear Mr. Burns:

I am writing to inform you that the Edwards-Knox Central School Board of Education wholeheartedly nominate Dr. John "Jack" Zeh as a candidate for reelection to the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Board of Education at their regular Board of Education meeting held on February 13, 2024. His unwavering dedication to education, coupled with his extensive experience, makes him an invaluable asset to the board and the broader educational community.

Dr. Zeh's impressive track record in education governance is evident through his service on the Edwards-Knox Central School Board since July 2023 and his extended tenure on the Heuvelton Board of Education from 1981 to 2013, where he served as the Board President for over two decades. This long-standing commitment reflects his deep passion for ensuring the highest standards of education for our students.

Furthermore, Dr. Zeh has been an active and engaged member of the SLL BOCES Board of Education since 2012. His contributions to regional educational policies and initiatives have consistently demonstrated his dedication to fostering collaboration and excellence across school districts.



Beyond his role in education, Dr. Zeh's successful ventures as the founder of the Town and Country Veterinary clinics in Ogdensburg, Potsdam, and Massena showcase his acumen as a keen businessman. His experience in managing finances and understanding the importance of education in shaping a community's future aligns perfectly with the goals and responsibilities of the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Board of Education.

Moreover, Dr. Zeh's entrepreneurial spirit is evident in his establishment of the White Silo, a distillery, sugaring business, and venue for special events. This diverse experience not only reflects his commitment to community development but also highlights his innovative approach to enriching the educational experience for students in our region.

In conclusion, I believe that Dr. John "Jack" Zeh's re-election to the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Board of Education will contribute significantly to the continued success and growth of our educational institutions. His leadership, experience, and business acumen make him an exemplary candidate, and I encourage the board to support his candidacy at the upcoming meeting on April 22, 2024. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Erin E. Woods". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Erin E. Woods  
Superintendent of Edwards-Knox CSD

Notice of BOCES Annual Meeting  
St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES

Please take notice that the BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES OF THE SOLE SUPERVISORY DISTRICT OF THE ST. LAWRENCE-LEWIS COUNTIES BOCES will hold the annual meeting of the trustees and members of the boards of education of its component school districts on Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. at the Northwest Technical Center, Multi-Media Room, 1000 Park Street, Ogdensburg, New York. The Board of Cooperative Educational Services will present its tentative administrative, capital and program budgets for 2024-2025 to the trustees and members of the boards of education of component school districts in attendance at such annual meeting, for their review. The following are summaries of the tentative administrative, capital, and program budgets. The amounts stated are based on current estimates and may be subject to change. Copies of the complete tentative administrative, capital, and program budgets will be available for inspection by the public between the hours of 9 A.M. and 4 P.M. at each component school district in the St. Lawrence-Lewis Counties BOCES Sole Supervisory District, St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Central Office, 40 West Main Street, Canton; Seaway Career & Technical Center, 7225 ST HWY 56, Norwood; Northwest Career & Technical Center, 1000 Park Street, Ogdensburg; and Southwest Career & Technical Center, 3606 ST HWY 58, Gouverneur, commencing on March 28, 2024.

**Summary of Tentative Administrative Budget**

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Total Personnel Services (Salaries of all Central Administrative and Supervisory Personnel) | \$975,697   |
| Total Employee Benefits (Benefits of all Central Administrative and Supervisory Personnel)  | \$7,857,942 |
| (Compensation of District Superintendent of Schools):                                       |             |
| State Salary  | \$43,499    |
| BOCES Salary  | \$164,751   |
| Annualized Benefits   | \$44,160    |
| Other Remuneration  | \$4,869     |
| Total Compensation (Including Benefits)   | \$257,279   |

|                                    |                    |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Equipment                          | \$7,500            |
| Supplies and Materials             | \$10,700           |
| Revenue Note Interest              | \$205,000          |
| Total Contract Expense             | \$208,399          |
| Net Transfers (other than capital) | \$267,789          |
| <b>Total Administrative Budget</b> | <b>\$9,533,027</b> |

#### **SUMMARY OF TENTATIVE CAPITAL BUDGET**

|                                  |                    |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Rental of Facilities             | \$450,000          |
| Energy Debt Service              | \$112,721          |
| Debt Service-Dormitory Authority | \$3,803,913        |
| <b>Total Capital Budget</b>      | <b>\$4,366,634</b> |

#### **SUMMARY OF TENTATIVE PROGRAM BUDGET**

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Occupational Instruction                  | \$12,562,988        |
| Instruction of Students with Disabilities | \$27,345,875        |
| Itinerant Services                        | \$3,175,919         |
| General Instruction                       | \$1,072,421         |
| Instructional Support                     | \$9,649,341         |
| Other Services                            | \$5,513,141         |
| <b>Total Program Budget:</b>              | <b>\$59,319,685</b> |

**TOTAL 2024-2025 TENTATIVE BUDGET    \$73,219,346**