



Niagara Orleans School Board Association Minutes December 1, 2025

Meeting Called to Order: 6:00 p.m.

Members Present

- Kathleen Stewart (Wilson)
- Danielle Mullen (ON BOCES)
- Beth Pyskaty (Starpoint)
- Allan Casey (Roy-Hart)
- Jason Myers (Niagara Wheatfield)
- James Lupini (Superintendent Liaison – Newfane)

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report reflected a balance of \$11,310.20.

- Motion: To accept the Treasurer's Report
- Moved by: Kathleen Stewart
- Seconded by: Danielle Mullen
- Vote: Motion carried unanimously

Old Business

Banking and Signatories

Discussion was held regarding closing the Five Star Bank account and changing signatories. The following actions were approved:

- Close the Five Star Bank account
- Open a new account at Cornerstone Community Federal Credit Union
- Update signatories as follows:
 - Remove Diane Stamp
 - Add Ashley Preisch
 - Retain Jack Waugaman II
 - Add Beth Pyskaty, President, NOSBA
- Motion: To close the Five Star Bank account, open an account at Cornerstone Community Federal Credit Union, and approve the signatories of Ashley Preisch, Jack Waugaman II, and Beth Pyskaty
- Moved by: Kathleen Stewart
- Seconded by: Danielle Mullen
- Vote: Motion carried unanimously

Nonprofit Status

The Board discussed the creation of a nonprofit entity for NOSBA. It was agreed to ask Leslie Tobin to schedule a meeting with legal counsel to discuss available options.

Legislative Breakfast Update

Plans were reviewed for the Legislative Breakfast:

Location: ON BOCES

Catering: Culinary students

Materials: Graphic arts students will create placemats and guest cards

Start time: 8:30 a.m.

Program begins: 9:00 a.m.

Superintendents will present legislative priorities to elected officials

Ashley Preisch created and distributed invitations to district clerks for dissemination and to all elected officials

Prospective Board of Education Training

The Prospective BOE Training will be held at Starpoint on March 21, 2026.

Dr. Sean Croft will present on Board–Superintendent relationships

Melissa Kester will present the legal section

A panel will be developed for the board section

Superintendent Outreach

Beth Pyskaty provided a presentation on NOSBA to superintendents on November 20, 2025. The presentation was well received and included discussion of future plans and the upcoming Legislative Breakfast.

New Business

Insurance for NOSBA

The Board discussed exploring insurance coverage for NOSBA. Leslie Tobin will be asked to research pricing and feasibility.

May and August Mixers

May Mixer: Location and program are under consideration; survey results will guide program topics

August Mixer: The Wilson House is being considered; Beth Pyskaty will research pricing and availability

NOSBA Directory

Ashley Preisch is updating the NOSBA Directory, including adding brief descriptions of each district.

Superintendents will be asked to submit a paragraph describing their district and send it to Beth Pyskaty.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Motion: To adjourn

Moved by: Kathleen Stewart

Seconded by: Allan Casey

Vote: Motion carried unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Pyskaty