

**AVELLA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
1000 AVELLA ROAD
AVELLA, PA 15312**

**VISITOR'S
Regular Board Meeting Agenda**

June 22, 2022 @ 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER.....Corey McConn, Board President
ROLL CALL.....Debra Bentz, Board Secretary

Suzanne Colilla	_____	Corey McConn	_____
Leslie Cunningham	_____	Janet Miller	_____
Jeffrey Devenney	_____	Emanuel Paris	_____
Melissa Dryer	_____	Scott Willyerd	_____
James Gagich	_____		

ADMINISTRATION

Cyril Walther, Superintendent
Laura Shola, Business Manager
Sheryl Wright-Brown, JSHS Principal
Carrie Graff, Elementary Principal
Debra L. Bentz, Board Secretary

A. GENERAL PROCEDURES

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

- 1. Congratulations to Paige Fino for placing 3rd in the National Competition of Triumphs in Entrepreneurship Competition. Congratulations to Katelyn Frank, Melanie Dubich, Marissa Latynski and Leanza Craig for earning Honorable Mention in the State Competition.**

REQUEST TO SPEAK AT THE BOARD MEETING - None

VISITORS REQUEST TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM

GENERAL PROCEDURE ITEMS

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ATTACHMENT "A"

Board Members have been furnished copies of the Board Minutes for the May 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

2. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

ATTACHMENT "B"

Board Members have been furnished copies of the Accounts Payable for the May and June 2022 General Fund.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

3. FINANCIAL/BUDGET REPORTS

ATTACHMENT "C"

4. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

ATTACHMENT "D"

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. ATHLETIC COMMITTEE & EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

a. Cheerleading Program

Motion to approve the cheerleading program to include grades 7-12, effective the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

b. Volunteer Cheerleading Coach

Motion to approve Leslie Decker Yevins as a volunteer to the cheerleading program for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

c. Gilbert Cutruzzula, Head 7th/8th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach

Motion to accept the resignation of Gilbert Cutruzzula, Head 7th/8th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach, effective end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

d. Head 7th/8th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach - Posting

Motion to ratify a posting (advertisement if necessary) for a Head 7th/8th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

2. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

a. Building & Grounds Walkthrough of Buildings Report

3. COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE – No Report

4. CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

a. Western Area Career & Technology Center Report

b. Washington Communities Human Services, Inc.

Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for the Student Assistance Program (SAP) Services between the Avella Area School District and Washington Communities Human Services, Inc., for the 2022-2023 school year, per Attachment Curriculum "A".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

c. Teaching Assignments

Motion to approve the tentative teaching assignments for the JSHS and Elementary School for the 2022-2023 school year, per Attachment Curriculum "B".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

d. River School Therapies

Motion to approve the Provision of Special Education Therapy Services (Social Workers) between the Avella Area School District and River School Therapies for the 2022-2024 school years, per Attachment Curriculum "C".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

e. PA Pre-K Counts

Motion to approve the Lease Agreement and Meal Service Agreement between the Avella Area School District and Blueprints Early Learning Head Start and Pre-K Counts, effective 2022-2023 school year, per Attachment Curriculum "D".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

f. Curriculum – Inventory Control

Motion to approve the Elementary School and JSHS's request to discard the outdated textbooks listed on Attachment Curriculum "E".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

g. Western Area Career & Technology Center Students

Motion to approve the Western Area Career & Technology Center list of students for the 2022-2023 school year, per Attachment Curriculum "F".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

h. Student Discipline

Motion to readmit Student BR to the regular education program of the Avella Area School District, pending receipt of all required documents.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

5. FINANCE COMMITTEE

a. Western Area Career & Technology Center

Motion to approve the 2022-2023 Western Area Career & Technology Center's proposed budget totaling \$5,822,873.00, per letter dated May 25, 2022 from Dennis McCarthy, Ph.D., Director of Vocational Education, per Attachment Finance "A".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

b. 2022-2023 General Fund Budget

Motion to approve the Participation General Fund Budget totaling \$_____, be finally adopted for the fiscal year 2022-2023, beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023, with millage set at _____ mills (____ mill increase) on real estate, \$5.00 per capita tax under Section 679; \$5.00 per capita tax, and one-half of one percent (1/2%) on all earned income, under Act 511. Attachment Finance "B" to Revised Agenda.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd:	_____

c. Homestead and Farmstead Resolution

Motion to adopt the Resolution authorizing the Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Real Estate Tax Assessment Reductions for the 2022-2023 school year, per Attachment Finance "C".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____	
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney: _____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn: _____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd _____

d. Real Estate Tax Assessment Appeals for 2022

Motion to approve the proposal by Peacock Keller, LLP and the criteria set therein for the District initiated real estate tax assessment appeals for 2022, per Attachment Finance "D".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____	
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney: _____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn: _____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd _____

e. Allegheny County Schools Health Insurance Consortium

Motion to approve the Participation Agreement and associated appendices with the Allegheny County Schools Health Insurance Consortium, per Attachment Finance "E".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____	
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney: _____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn: _____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd _____

f. Resolution for the 2022 General Obligations Fed Taxable Bond Issue

Motion to approve the not to exceed Resolution for the 2022 General Obligation Federally Taxable Bond Issue, as prepared by bond counsel, per Attachment Finance "F".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____	
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney: _____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn: _____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd _____

g. Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services

Motion to approve the insurance proposal between Avella Area School District and Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, effective July 1, 2022.

- Commercial Package and Umbrella in the amount of \$35,274
- Worker's Compensation in the amount of \$25,326
- Cyber Liability in the amount of \$6,722
- Educators & EPL in the amount of \$5,105
- Business Auto in the amount of \$2,218

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____	
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney: _____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn: _____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd _____

6. NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

a. Act 93 Agreement

Motion to renew the Administrator's Compensation and Supervision Plan (In Compliance with Act 93), effective July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025, per Attachment Negotiations "A".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____	
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney: _____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn: _____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd _____

7. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

a. Alex Nikolopoulos, JSHS Guidance Counselor

Motion to accept the resignation of Alex Nikolopoulos, JSHS Guidance Counselor, effective the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____	
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney: _____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn: _____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd _____

b. JSHS Guidance Counselor - Posting/Advertisement

Motion to ratify a posting (advertisement if necessary) for a JSHS Guidance Counselor.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____	
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney: _____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn: _____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd _____

c. _____, JSHS Guidance Counselor

Motion to approve hiring _____ to the position of JSHS Guidance Counselor, full time temporary professional employee, per AEA Contract, effective the first day of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____	
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney: _____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn: _____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd _____

d. Spanish Teacher - Posting/Advertisement

Motion to ratify a posting (advertisement if necessary) for a Spanish Teacher.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____	
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney: _____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn: _____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd _____

e. Christina Musser, Spanish Teacher

Motion to approve hiring Christina Musser to the position of Spanish Teacher, full time temporary professional employee, per AEA Contract, effective the first day of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____	
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney: _____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn: _____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd _____

f. Part-Time Elementary Art Teacher - Posting/Advertisement

Motion to ratify a posting (advertisement if necessary) for a part-time Elementary Art Teacher.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla: _____	Ms. Cunningham: _____	Mr. Devenney: _____		
	Ms. Dryer: _____	Mr. Gagich: _____	Mr. McConn: _____		
	Ms. Miller: _____	Mr. Paris: _____	Mr. Willyerd: _____		

g. MacKenzie Garry, Part-Time Elementary Art Teacher

Motion to approve hiring MacKenzie Garry to the position of part-time Elementary Art Teacher, part-time temporary professional employee, per AEA Contract, effective the first day of the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla: _____	Ms. Cunningham: _____	Mr. Devenney: _____		
	Ms. Dryer: _____	Mr. Gagich: _____	Mr. McConn: _____		
	Ms. Miller: _____	Mr. Paris: _____	Mr. Willyerd: _____		

h. Part-Time Custodian - Posting/Advertisement

Motion to ratify a posting (advertisement if necessary) for a part-time Custodian, 5 hours per day/12 month employee.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla: _____	Ms. Cunningham: _____	Mr. Devenney: _____		
	Ms. Dryer: _____	Mr. Gagich: _____	Mr. McConn: _____		
	Ms. Miller: _____	Mr. Paris: _____	Mr. Willyerd: _____		

i. Sherry Adams, Part-Time Custodian

Motion to approve Sherry Adams as a part-time Custodian, 5 hours per day/12 month employee, per PSEA/NEA Contract. (Replacement for Alice Carroll)

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla: _____	Ms. Cunningham: _____	Mr. Devenney: _____		
	Ms. Dryer: _____	Mr. Gagich: _____	Mr. McConn: _____		
	Ms. Miller: _____	Mr. Paris: _____	Mr. Willyerd: _____		

j. Full Time Custodian Position

Motion to approve eliminating one (1) full time custodian position. (Regina Perkins' position)

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla: _____	Ms. Cunningham: _____	Mr. Devenney: _____		
	Ms. Dryer: _____	Mr. Gagich: _____	Mr. McConn: _____		
	Ms. Miller: _____	Mr. Paris: _____	Mr. Willyerd: _____		

k. Karen Coyne, Substitute School Nurse

Motion to ratify Karen Coyne as a Substitute School Nurse, effective May 20, 2022.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla: _____	Ms. Cunningham: _____	Mr. Devenney: _____		
	Ms. Dryer: _____	Mr. Gagich: _____	Mr. McConn: _____		
	Ms. Miller: _____	Mr. Paris: _____	Mr. Willyerd: _____		

l. Intermediate Unit 1 – Emergency Substitute Program

Motion to approve the Commitment Form for the Emergency Substitute Program coordinated by the Intermediate Unit 1 for the 2022-2023 school year, per Attachment Personnel "A".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Mr. Willyerd	_____

m. Contracted Medical/Dental Personnel List

Motion to approve the Contracted Medical/Dental Personnel List for the 2022-2023 school year, per Attachment Personnel "B".

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Mr. Willyerd	_____

n. Administration Raises

Motion to approve the Administrative personnel raises as per contracts, effective July 1, 2022, listed on Attachment Personnel "C". Amounts have been budgeted and Performance Evaluations completed.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Mr. Willyerd	_____

o. Non-Union Staff Raises

Motion to approve the non-union personnel raises, effective July 1, 2022, as per Attachment Personnel "D". Amounts have been budgeted and Performance Evaluations completed.

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Mr. Willyerd	_____

8. POLICIES

9. SAFETY COMMITTEE

a. Safety Committee meeting is scheduled July 7, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.

10. TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

11. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

ADJOURNMENT

Motion:	_____	Second:	_____	ADJOURNMENT TIME:	_____
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Motion:	_____	Second:	_____		
Roll Call: Ms. Colilla:	_____	Ms. Cunningham:	_____	Mr. Devenney:	_____
Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich:	_____	Mr. McConn:	_____
Ms. Miller:	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Mr. Willyerd	_____