

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

**VISITOR'S
REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

May 17, 2023 @ 7:00 P.M.

Phoebe Armstrong _____ Suzanne Colilla _____ Leslie Cunningham _____ Jeffrey Devenney _____ Melissa Dryer _____	James Gagich _____ Corey McConn _____ Emanuel Paris _____ Scott Willyerd _____
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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. The following students are recognized as the May Students of the Month:
Troy Cooke – Senior
Jaelyn Papa – 6th Grade
2. Scott Grant, Case|Sabatini, District Auditors, will present the Auditor's Report for the 2021-2022 year.

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 April 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

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

2. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

ATTACHMENT "B"

Board Members have been furnished copies of the Accounts Payable for the April and May 2023 General Fund.

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

3. FINANCIAL/BUDGET REPORTS

ATTACHMENT "C"

4. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

ATTACHMENT "D"

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. ATHLETIC & ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

a. 2023-2024 Athletic Coaches

Motion to approve the following athletic coaches for the 2023-2024 school year:

FALL SPORTS

Cross Country

Laura Lazzarotti, Head Coach
Zachery Franks, Assistant Coach

Football - 7th/8th Grade

James Gatewood, Head Coach
Brad Rankin, Assistant Coach

Football - Varsity

Ryan Cecchini, Head Coach
Clinton Varner, Assistant Coach
JT Mylan, Assistant Coach

Softball – 7th/8th Grade Junior Varsity

Jamie Scears – Head Coach
Kasey Scears – Assistant Coach

Tennis

Kevin Painter - Head Coach
Dan Davidson - Assistant Coach

Volleyball

Vacant - Head Coach
Vacant - Assistant Coach

WINTER SPORTS

Basketball – Boys' Varsity

Michael Macik – Head Coach

Kevin Painter – Assistant Coach

Basketball – Girls' Varsity

Mike Drazich – Head Coach

Kathleen Margaria – Assistant Coach

Basketball – 7th/8th Grade Boys

Kevin Painter – Head Coach

Michael Macik – Assistant Coach

Rifle

Nikki Knopp – Head Rifle Coach

Branden Kosey – Assistant Coach

Volleyball – 7th/8th Grade Girls

Dana Gatewood – Head Coach

McKena Cowden – Assistant Coach

Wrestling – Varsity

Travis Ware – Head Coach

Vacant – Assistant Coach

SPRING SPORTS

Baseball

Jason Fogg, Head Coach

Terry Jacobs, Assistant Coach

Baseball – Junior Varsity

Zachery Franks, Head Coach

Basketball – 7th/8th Grade Girls

Kevin Painter, Head Coach

Kathleen Margaria, Assistant Coach

Softball

Laura Lazzarotti, Head Coach

Amber Ripley, Assistant Coach

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

b. Lynn Clarchick, Musical Producer/Play Producer - Resignation

Motion to accept the resignation of Lynn Clarchick as Musical Producer/Play Producer, effective immediately.

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

- c. Debora Descutner, Musical Producer/Play Producer - Resignation**
Motion to accept the resignation of Debora Descutner as Musical Producer/Play Producer, effective immediately.

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

- d. Musical Producers/Play Producers - Postings**
Motion to approve a posting (advertisement if necessary) for two (2) Musical Producers/Play Producers.

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

2. COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

- a. Schedule Communications Committee Meeting**

3. CURRICULUM & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

- a. Western Area Career & Technology Center Update**

- b. Calendar Dates:**

5/18 @ 6:00 p.m. WACTC Certificate Ceremony
Chartiers-Houston Auditorium

5/21 @ 7:00 p.m. Baccalaureate, Grove Presbyterian Church
6/2 @ 7:00 p.m. Commencement
6/5 Last Day of School for Underclassmen

- c. 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 2023-2024 school year, per Attachment Curriculum & Technology "A".

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

- d. Center for Community Resources**

Motion to approve the SAP Agreement between the Avella Area School District and the Center for Community Resources for the 2023-2024 school year, per Attachment Curriculum & Technology "B".

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

- e. Schedule Technology Committee Meeting**

4. FACILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

a. Schedule Building & Grounds Walkthrough of Buildings

5. FINANCE COMMITTEE

**a. Finance Committee Meetings:
June 21, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.**

b. Business Manager – Bond

Motion to approve the bond of John Galvin, Business Manager, setting bond at \$100,000, to begin July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, according to PA School Code Section 404.

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

c. Board Treasurer

Motion to appoint Jeffrey Devenney as Board Treasurer for one year beginning July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, according to PA School Code Section 404, setting bond at \$50,000.

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

d. Board Secretary – Renewal Bond

Motion to approve the renewal bond of Debra Bentz, Board Secretary, setting bond at \$50,000, to begin July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 according to PA School Code Section 404.

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

e. IU 1 Educational Service Agreement

Motion to approve the IU 1 Educational Service Agreement between the Avella Area School District and Intermediate Unit 1, effective July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024, per Attachment Finance "A".

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

f. Fencing Unlimited

Motion to approve the proposal from Fencing Unlimited for the purchase and installation of security bollards at the building entrances, to be paid for with Act 55 Safety Grant funds (lowest proposal received).

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

g. A-Plus Window Tint

Motion to approve the proposal of \$13,380.00 from A-Plus Window Tint for window security film, to be paid for with Act 55 Safety Grant funds (lowest proposal received).

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

h. 2023-2024 Proposed Budget

Motion to approve the proposed budget in the amount of \$_____, for the fiscal year 2023-2024 and set the millage at 13.0742 mills, a 1.014 mill increase. Attachment Finance "B" to Revised Agenda.

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

6. NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

a. Memorandum of Understanding – Golf Coaches

Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Avella Area School District and the Avella Area Education Association, PSEA/NEA, regarding golf coaches, per Attachment Negotiations "A".

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

7. PERSONNEL & POLICY COMMITTEE

a. School Volunteer List

Motion to approve the following to the School Volunteer List for the 2022-2023 school year, pending receipt of required clearances:

Renee Bailey
Seth Bostic
Hanna Groom
Leann Mintch
Katelyn Paulina

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

b. PSBA Policy Maintenance Program Participation Agreement

Motion to approve the PSBA Policy Maintenance Program Participation Agreement between the Pennsylvania School Boards Association and the Avella Area School District, effective July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024, per Attachment Personnel & Policy "A".

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

c. Rescind Motion – Jamie O'Donnell, Business Manager Position

Motion to approve rescinding the following motion board approved April 19, 2023

Moved by Ms. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Willyerd, to appoint Jamie O'Donnell as the Business Manager of the Avella Area School District, effective date to be determined, at an annual salary of \$100,000.00. This appointment shall be contingent upon the parties' execution of a mutually acceptable agreement.

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

d. John Galvin, Business Manager Position

Motion to appoint John Galvin as the Business Manager of the Avella Area School District, effective date to be determined, at an annual salary of \$90,000. This appointment shall be contingent upon the parties' execution of a mutually acceptable agreement.

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

e. Substitute Teacher List

Motion to approve Cinnamon Kramer to the Substitute Teacher List for the 2022-2023 school year.

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

f. Emergency Substitute Program – IU I

Motion to approve the Commitment Form for the Emergency Substitute Program coordinated by the Intermediate Unit I for the 2023-2024 school year, per Attachment Personnel & Policy "B".

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

8. SAFETY COMMITTEE

a. Safety Committee meeting scheduled June 1, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

b. Safety Drill – May 22, 2023

c. Safe & Drug Free School – Memorandum of Understanding

Motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Pennsylvania State Police Department and the Avella Area School District, pursuant to Act 26 of 1995, Safe & Drug Free School, Section 1317-2. (Due every two years) Attachment Safety "A"

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

ADJOURNMENT

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