

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

**VISITOR'S
REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

**November 15, 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
John Galvin, Business Manager
Heather Zalar, JSHS Principal
Carrie Graff, Elementary Principal
Debra Bentz, Board Secretary

A. GENERAL PROCEDURES

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

1. The following students are recognized as the November Students of the Month:
Laurel Bongiorno – Senior
Jocelyn Briggs - 6th Grade Student
2. The Circle of Excellence Award is presented to:
Susan Kubacka – Junior Senior High School
Dana Gatewood – Elementary School

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 October 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 October and November 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. STEM Club Sponsors

Motion to approve Joelle Cooper and Zachery Franks as the STEM Club Sponsors for the 2023-2024 school year (stipend will be split).

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Mr. Devenney:	_____	Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich: _____
Mr. McConn:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd: _____

2. COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

3. CURRICULUM & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

a. Western Area Career & Technology Center Update

b. Inventory Control

Motion to approve Jesse Saunders, Business Education teacher's request to discard outdated video equipment from 15 years ago.

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Mr. Devenney:	_____	Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich: _____
Mr. McConn:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd: _____

4. FACILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

a. GG&C Bus/Van Driver List

Motion to approve the following to the GG&C Bus/Van Driver List for the 2023-2024 school year, pending receipt of required documentation.
Kimberly Sanders – Van Driver

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

5. FINANCE COMMITTEE

6. NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

7. PERSONNEL & POLICY COMMITTEE

a. Status update of Newly Hired Teachers

- Alexander Light, Elem Music Teacher's last day is 11/22/23
- Madeline Vaill, Elem Music Teacher's first day is 12/4/23
- Emily Jezowicz, Elem Spec Ed Teacher's effective certification date is 9/1/23

b. School Volunteer List

Motion to approve the updated School Volunteer List for the 2023-2024 school year, per Attachment Personnel & Policy "C".

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

c. Cafeteria Staff

Motion to approve the following increased hours for the cafeteria staff, effective November 16, 2023:

Diana Dorsey	5 hours to 5.5 hours
Genia Mundorff	4.5 hours to 5.5 hours
Katie Doak	4 hours to 5.5 hours
Shari Dami	5 hours to 5.5 hours
Marianne Boris	4 hours to 5 hours

(Jennifer Markle, Amanda Conley, Lisa Mayer and Faythe Mazza will remain at 4 hours.)

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Mr. Devenney:	_____	Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich: _____
Mr. McConn:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd: _____

d. Cheryl Rush, Elementary Special Education Teacher

Motion to approve Cheryl Rush to the position of Elementary Special Education Teacher, professional employee, Step 1, per AEA Contract, effective date upon release from current district.

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Mr. Devenney:	_____	Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich: _____
Mr. McConn:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd: _____

e. PSBA Policies

Motion to approve the adoption/revisions to the following recommended PSBA policies, per Attachment Personnel & Policy Attachment "A".

006 – Meetings

216.1 Supplemental Discipline Records

251 – Students Experiencing Homelessness, Foster Care

815 – Acceptable Use of Internet, Computers & Network Resources

819 – Suicide Awareness, Prevention & Response

830 – Security of Computerized Personal Information/Breach Notification

830.1 Data Governance – Storage/Security

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Mr. Devenney:	_____	Ms. Dryer:	_____	Mr. Gagich: _____
Mr. McConn:	_____	Mr. Paris:	_____	Mr. Willyerd: _____

f. First Reading of Policy 217.1 Early Graduation - Attachment Personnel & Policy Attachment "B".

8. SAFETY COMMITTEE

a. Safety Committee meeting scheduled December 7, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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