

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

December 3, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.

REORGANIZATION BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Suzanne Colilla	_____	Terry Jacobs	_____
Elmo Cecchetti	_____	Kimberly Mace	_____
Melissa Dryer	_____	Emanuel Paris	_____
Beth Dunmore	_____	Tia Shore	_____
James Gagich	_____		

ADMINISTRATION

Cyril Walther, Superintendent
John Galvin, Business Manager
Heather Zalar, JSHS Principal
Carrie Graff, Elementary Principal
Donald Snoke, Educational Consultant
Dana Davis, Board Secretary

A. GENERAL PROCEDURES

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS - None

REQUEST TO SPEAK AT THE BOARD MEETING – None

VISITORS REQUEST TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM – None

B. REORGANIZATION

1. NOMINATIONS FOR TEMPORARY PRESIDENT

Motion to nominate _____ as Temporary President for the purpose of the reorganization.

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____	
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore

Motion to close the nomination for Temporary President.

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

Temporary President takes the chair.

Melody Singer, Notary/HR Manager, will administer the Oath of Office to Elmo Cecchetti, Melissa Dryer, Beth Dunmore, and Kimberly Mace.

2. NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT

Motion to nominate _____ as Board President.

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

Motion to nominate _____ as Board President.

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

Motion to close the nominations for Board President.

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

Motion to appoint _____ as Board President.

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

_____ takes over the chair as Board President.

3. NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT

Motion to nominate _____ as Board Vice-President.

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

Motion to nominate _____ as Board Vice-President.

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

Motion to close the nominations for Board Vice-President.

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Ms. Shore	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____		

Motion to appoint _____ as Board Vice-President.

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Ms. Shore	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____		

4. **DISTRICT SOLICITOR**

Motion to approve Rachel Lozosky, Law Offices of Peacock Keller, LLP to continue as the District's Solicitor for the 2026 year. Per attached proposal letter dated November 25, 2025 (Attachment "A")

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Ms. Shore	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____		

5. **BOARD MEETINGS**

Motion to approve a tentative list of the 2026 meeting dates with meeting times beginning at 7:00 pm. All meetings are regular meetings, with the exception of the Reorganization meeting in December. The committee meetings will be non-voting and meet as needed and advertised. (Attachment "B")

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Ms. Shore	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____		

6. **FACSIMILE SIGNATURES**

Motion to approve permission for application to the Secretary of the Commonwealth to use facsimile signatures for the following bank accounts:

Cafeteria Fund Checks: President and Secretary
General Fund Checks: President, Treasurer and Secretary
Payroll Fund Checks: Treasurer and Secretary

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Ms. Shore	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____		

7. **AUTHORIZATION FOR PAYMENTS**

Motion to approve the Officers of the Board to be authorized to draw orders for payrolls and for future payments of bonds, interest, utilities and other pertinent bills as they come due.

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Ms. Shore	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____		

8. BOARD COMMITTEES

The Board President will ask the board members which committees they would like to serve on. Committees are to be evenly distributed. (Attachment "C")

Motion to approve the Board Committee List for the 2026 year.

Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____	ADJOURNMENT TIME:	_____
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Roll Call:	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

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**VISITORS'
REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

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Melissa Dryer	_____	Emanuel Paris	_____
Beth Dunmore	_____	Tia Shore	_____
James Gagich	_____		

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A. GENERAL PROCEDURES

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS - None

REQUEST TO SPEAK AT THE BOARD MEETING

Avella Athletics Board Members – Re: Athletics Football and Wrestling Use of Facilities.

- **Ryan Shore, President – 225 Stolze Road, Burgettstown PA 15021**
- **Joe Powell, Treasurer – 181 Rea Road Avella PA 15312**
- **John Caltumo, Financial Secretary – 54 Campground Road, Avella PA 15312**

VISITORS REQUEST TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM – None

GENERAL PROCEDURE ITEMS

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ATTACHMENT "A"

Board Members have been furnished copies of the Board Minutes for the November 2025 Regular Board Meeting.

	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

2. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

ATTACHMENT "B"

Board Members have been furnished copies of the Accounts Payable for the November and December 2025 General Fund.

	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

3. FINANCIAL/BUDGET REPORTS

ATTACHMENT "C"

4. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

ATTACHMENT "D"

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. ATHLETIC & ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

2. COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

3. CURRICULUM & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

a. Western Area Career & Technology Center Update

b. Homebound Instruction – R.F.

Motion to approve the application for Homebound Instruction for R.F., 12th grade student.

	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

c. Hickory Telephone Company IRU Agreement – Aerial Fiber Lease

Motion to approve the Indefeasible Right of Use (IRU) Agreement between Hickory Telephone Company and Avella Area School District for a term of ten (10) years, for Aerial Fiber Lines from School to ticket booth, concession stand, press box, and tennis courts, per Attachment Curriculum & Technology "A".

	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

- d. **Hickory Telephone Company IRU Agreement – Dark Fiber Lease, Buried**
Motion to approve the Indefeasible Right of Use (IRU) Agreement between Hickory Telephone Company and Avella Area School District for a term of ten (10) years, for Dark Fiber Buried Lines from feeder pole, to greenhouse to sewage building, per Attachment Curriculum & Technology “B”.

	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

4. FACILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

- a. **GG&C’s Bus/Van Driver List**
Motion to approve the following to GG&C’s Bus/Van Driver List for the 2025-2026 school year, (GG&C is responsible for updating bus/van driver documentation with CAO before driving).
- Cody Lynn Hennrich
 - Karrie McClellan

	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

5. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- a. **AMCA Systems, LLC**
Motion to approve the AMCA TaxTrack Software License Agreement between the Avella Area School District and AMCA Systems, LLC, per Attachment Finance “A”.

	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

6. NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

- a. **Schedule a Negotiations Committee Meeting with members of the Avella Area ESP prior to December break.**

7. PERSONNEL & POLICY COMMITTEE

- a. **Desiree Dayak, Part-Time Special Education Aide**
Motion to approve Desiree Dayak as a Part-Time Special Education Aide (4 hours per day/180 days per year), per Avella Area ESP contract, effective

	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

b. Homebound Instruction Posting

Motion to approve the posting for a Homebound Instructor (advertisement if necessary) for a 12th grade High School student, starting in January, 2026.

	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

c. School Volunteer List

Motion to approve the following to the School Volunteer List for the 2025-2026 school year.

- Julia Jastrzebski

	MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____		
Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____

8. SAFETY COMMITTEE

- a. A Safety Committee Meeting is scheduled December 4, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.**

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:	_____	SECOND:	_____	ADJOURNMENT TIME: _____
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Roll Call:	Ms. Colilla	_____	Mr. Cecchetti	_____	Ms. Dryer	_____
	Ms. Dunmore	_____	Mr. Gagich	_____	Mr. Jacobs	_____
	Ms. Mace	_____	Mr. Paris	_____	Ms. Shore	_____