

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

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

August 5, 2026

The Regular Board Meeting of the Avella Area School District Board of Education was held in the Avella Jr. Sr. High School Library on Wednesday, August 5, 2026. Mr. Emanuel Paris, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. An Executive Session was held prior to the meeting to discuss athletics, projects and personnel. Dana Davis, Board Secretary, held roll call and the following board members were present:

BOARD MEMBERS: Elmo Cecchetti, Susanne Colilla, Melissa Dryer, Beth Dunmore, James Gagich, Terry Jacobs, Kimberly Mace, and Emanuel Paris.
Absent: Tia Shore

ADMINISTRATION: Cyril Walther, Superintendent
John Galvin, Business Manager - Absent
Heather Zalar, JSHS Principal - Absent
Carrie Graff, Elementary Principal
Donald Snoke, Educational Consultant
Dana M. Davis, Board Secretary

OTHERS: Rachel Lozosky, District Solicitor

A. GENERAL PROCEDURES

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Presentations/Recognitions

Request to Speak at the Board Meeting

Visitor's Request to Speak on Agenda Items

GENERAL PROCEDURE ITEMS

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES **ATTACHMENT "A"**

Board Members were furnished copies of the Board Minutes for the June 2026 Regular Board Meeting and the June 2026 Special Meeting.

Moved by Mr. Gagich, seconded by Mr. Jacobs, to approve the June 2026 Regular Board Meeting and the June 2026 Special Meeting Minutes.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

2. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE **ATTACHMENT "B"**

Board Members were furnished copies of the Accounts Payable for the May and June, July, and August 2026 General Fund.

Moved by Mr. Gagich, seconded by Mr. Jacobs, to approve the Accounts Payable for the May and June, July, and August 2026 General Fund.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

3. FINANCIAL/BUDGET REPORTS **ATTACHMENT "C"**

4. SOLICITOR'S REPORT **ATTACHMENT "D"**

B. NEW BUSINESS

Independence Township Board Position

a. Terry Jacobs, Independence Township Board Member – Resignation

Moved by Ms. Dunmore, seconded by Mr. Gagich to accept the resignation of Terry Jacobs, Avella Area School District Independence Township Board Member, effective August 31, 2026.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Mr. Gagich said, "nay". Mr. Jacobs abstained. Motion carried 6-1-1.

1. ATHLETIC & ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

a. Open Position – Varsity Softball Coaching Staff

Moved by Ms. Colilla, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to open the position for the Varsity Softball Coaching Staff for the 2026-2027 school year, per recommendation of the Athletic & Activities Committee.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. ATHLETIC & ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE, continued

b. Posting – Coaching Positions

Moved by Ms. Colilla, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve the posting for the following Athletic Coaching Positions for the 2026-2027 school year, advertisement if necessary.

- Varsity Softball

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

c. Coaching Positions

Moved by Ms. Colilla, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve the following athletic coaches for the 2026-2027 school year:

- Kaili Ridgey – Varsity Volleyball Head Coach
- Kelly Miller – Varsity Volleyball Assistant Coach

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

d. Samantha Jacobs, Varsity Cheerleading Assistant Coach – Resignation

Moved by Ms. Dunmore, seconded by Ms. Colilla, to approve the resignation of Samantha Jacobs as Varsity Cheerleading Assistant Coach for the 2026-2027 school year, effective July 2, 2026.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Mr. Jacobs abstained. Motion carried 7-0-1.

e. Sydney Zelenko – Varsity Cheerleading Assistant Coach

Moved by Ms. Dunmore, seconded by Ms. Dryer, to approve Sydney Zelenko as the Varsity Cheerleading Assistant Coach for the 2026-2027 school year.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

f. Fall Sports Volunteer Coaches

Moved by Ms. Dunmore, seconded by Ms. Dryer, to approve the following as Volunteer Junior Varsity and Varsity Coaches for the Fall Sports Season for the 2026-2027 school year, pending receipt of clearances.

CHEERLEADING:

- Samantha Jacobs

VARSITY GOLF:

- Brian Jeffers

JUNIOR VARSITY/ JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL:

- Mike Downey
- Mike Tasz
- Chas Rush
- Robbie West

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. ATHLETIC & ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE, continued

f. Posting – Coaching Positions, continued

Varsity Football:

- Brandon Miller
- Santino Paris
- Luke Lloyd
- Mike Tasz
- Robbie West
- James Gatewood

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Mr. Jacobs abstained. Motion carried 7-0-1.

g. Cooperative Agreement – Varsity Girls Soccer

Moved by Ms. Dryer, seconded by Mr. Jacobs, to approve the Cooperative Agreement between Avella Area School District and McGuffey School District, for the purpose of enabling eligible students who are attending Avella Area School District to participate in the McGuffey High School's Varsity Girls Soccer Program, effective the 2026-20207 school year, per Attachment Athletic “A”.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

h. Athletic Event Ticket/Sport Passes

Moed by Ms. Dryer, seconded by Mr. Jacobs, to approve the following Athletic Event/Sport Pass Rates (*prices have not increased since 2023*)

Varsity Event Tickets:

	<u>Previous Pricing</u>		<u>Updated Pricing</u>	
	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Student</u>
Football	\$5	\$2	\$5	\$5 at gate / \$3 in advance
Volleyball	\$5	\$2	\$5	\$5 at gate / \$3 in advance
Boys Basketball	\$5	\$2	\$5	\$5 at gate / \$3 in advance
Girls Basketball	\$5	\$2	\$5	\$5 at gate / \$3 in advance
Wrestling	\$5	\$2	\$5	\$5 at gate / \$3 in advance

Varsity Event Passes:

	<u>Previous Pricing</u>		<u>Updated Pricing</u>		
	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u># of Games</u>
Football	\$20	\$10	\$20	\$10	5-6
Volleyball	\$20	\$10	\$30	\$20	12
Winter Sports (Boys/Girls Basketball & Wrestling)	\$20	\$10	\$30	\$20	28

Golden Eagle Passes:

Golden Eagle/Senior Citizen Event passes are available for district residents over 65 years of age for \$10 per season or \$20 for the year.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

B. NEW BUSINESS

2. COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

3. CURRICULUM & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

a. Western Area Career & Technology Center Update

Ms. Dryer reported that there is no update as Western Area Career & Technology Center did not meet in July.

b. Outside In Agreement

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve the Letter of Agreement between the Avella Area School District and Outside In for students requiring drug and alcohol treatment or rehabilitation services, per Attachment Curriculum & Technology "B".

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

c. Title I Program Schoolwide Plan

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve the Title I Program Schoolwide Plan, per Attachment Curriculum & Technology "D".

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

d. Inventory Control – JSHS Textbooks

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve the disposal of outdated JSHS history textbooks as listed on Attachment Curriculum & Technology "E".

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

4. FACILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

a. GG&C's Assigned Route Bus/Van Driver List

Moved by Ms. Dryer, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve GG&C's Bus/Van Driver List for the 2026-2027 school year, per Attachment Facilities & Transportation "A". (GG&C is responsible for updating bus/van driver documentation on list with CAO before driving).

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

b. GG&C Substitute Driver List

Moved by Ms. Dryer, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve the following to the GG&C Driver List:

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| • Raven Kolarik | • Vaughn Walters |
| • Richard Schmalz | • Douglas Williams |
| • Clarence Terry | • MacKenzie Barker |

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

B. NEW BUSINESS

4. FACILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE, continued

c. Jake Schneider's Van Driver List

Moved by Ms. Dryer, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve Jake Schneider's Van Driver list for the 2026-2027 school year, per Attachment Facilities & Transportation "B". (Jake Schneider is responsible for updating bus/van driver documentation on list with CAO before driving.)

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

d. Jake Schneider, Inc. Contract for School Pupils

Moved by Ms. Dryer. Seconded by Ms. Dunmore, to approve the Contract for School Pupils between the Avella Area School District and Jake Schneider, Inc. for additional student transportation for the 2026-2027 school year, subject to a mutually acceptable written agreement to be prepared and approved by the Solicitor".

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

e. Equipment – Municibid

Moved by Ms. Dunmore, seconded by Mr. Paris, to authorize the Administration to utilize the Municibid online auction platform to advertise and sell the District's Conex storage containers.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

5. FINANCE COMMITTEE

a. 7th Grade Student Activity Fund

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Ms. Dryer, to approve the Class of 2032 (7th Grade) to establish a Student Activity Account, per Attachment Finance "A".

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

6. NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

a. AEA Non-Resident/Tuition Free Students

Moved by Ms. Colilla, seconded by Mr. Jacobs, to approve the following students to be enrolled as non-resident/tuition-free students in the Avella Area School District for the 2026-2027 school year, per AEA contract.

- Brett Fogg – 1st Grade
- Ryan Fogg – Grade 5
- Ashlyn Ripley McDougan – Grade 10

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

B. NEW BUSINESS

7. PERSONNEL & POLICY COMMITTEE

a. Jay Allen – School Police Officer

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve Jay Allen as the District's School Police Officer for the 2026-2027 school year, in accordance with the terms of the attached employment agreement. This approval is contingent upon Officer Allen's satisfactory completion of the National School Resource Officer training and his approval by the Court of Common Pleas of Washington County to serve as the District's School Police Officer. Attachment Personnel & Policy "A".

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

b. Rebecca Birdsall – Human Resource Manager

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to retroactively approve hiring Rebecca Birdsall to the position of Full-Time Human Resource Manager, effective July 27, 2026, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Employment Agreement, at an annual salary of \$45,000, prorated for the period of July 27, 2026, through June 30, 2027, with all applicable salary and benefits for the 2026-2027 fiscal year to be prorated based upon the effective date of employment. Attachment Personnel & Policy "B".

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

c. Updated Teaching Assignments – Elementary

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve the following updates to the List of Teacher Assignments, as originally approved by the Board of School Directors at its June 17, 2026, Regular Meeting:

- Kristina Piskuric – Kindergarten
- Beth Rosenberg – Fourth Grade
- Jessica Crum – Sixth Grade
- Kevin Painter – Sixth Grade

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

d. Loretta Whyte – Title I Paraprofessional

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve Loretta Whyte as the Title I Paraprofessional for the 2026-2027 school year.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

e. Lynn Akins, High School English Teacher – Retirement

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to accept the retirement notice submitted by Lynn Akins, High School English Teacher, as outlined in her letter dated June 28, 2026, with an effective retirement date of June 30, 2028.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

B. NEW BUSINESS

7. PERSONNEL & POLICY COMMITTEE, continued

f. Daniel Davidson – Retirement

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to accept the retirement notice submitted by Daniel Davidson, Elementary Third Grade Teacher, as outlined in his letter dated August 4, 2026.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

g. Posting - Elementary Teacher

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to retroactively approve the posting and advertisement of an Elementary Third Grade Teacher position (due to the retirement of Dan Davidson for the 2026-2027 school year. (The Avella Area Education Association has waived the contractual internal posting requirement permitting external advertisement during the posting period to facilitate a timely hiring process.)

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

h. Marie Smitsky - Third Grade Teacher

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Ms. Colilla, to approve Marie Smitsky as a full-time Elementary Third Grade Teacher for the 2026-2027 school year (due to the retirement of Dan Davidson).

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Mr. Gagich abstained. Motion carried 7-0-1.

i. Posting – Anticipated Elementary Teacher

Moved by Mr. Cecchetti, seconded by Ms. Dunmore, to retroactively approve the posting for anticipated Elementary Teacher openings that may become available due to teacher reassignments, transfers, and bumping. (The Avella Area Education Association has waived the contractual internal posting requirement permitting external advertisement during the posting period to facilitate a timely hiring process.)

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

j. Posting – Anticipated JSHS Teacher

Moved by Mr. Cecchetti, seconded by Ms. Dunmore, to approve the posting for any anticipated JSHS Teacher openings that may become available as a result of a teacher exercising bumping into an available Elementary Teacher position. The specific certification area(s) and/or specialty field(s) will be identified and added to the posting as necessary. This posting is anticipatory in nature and does not guarantee that a vacancy or subsequent posting will occur. (The Avella Area Education Association has waived the contractual internal posting requirement permitting external advertisement during the posting period to facilitate a timely hiring process.)

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

B. NEW BUSINESS

3. PERSONNEL & POLICY COMMITTEE, continued

k. Raymond Ruffalo – Weekend Custodian

Moved by Mr. Cecchetti, seconded by Ms. Dunmore, to approve hiring Raymond Ruffalo to the position of Permanent Part-Time Weekend Custodian effective, August 29, 2026.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

l. SF – Family Medical Leave Act

Moved by Mr. Cecchetti, seconded by Ms. Dunmore, to accept SF, High School Teacher’s request for Family Medical Leave (maternity leave) effective September 13, 2026 until December 6, 2026.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

m. 2026-2027 Substitute Teacher List

Moved by Mr. Cecchetti, seconded by Ms. Dunmore, to approve the Substitute Teacher List for the 2026-2027 school year, per Attachment Personnel & Policy “C”.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

n. 2026-2027 Substitute Nurse List

Moved by Ms. Dryer, seconded by Mr. Paris, to approve the Substitute Nurse List for the 2026-2027 school year, per Attachment Personnel & Policy “D.”

ROLL CALL: Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Mr. Cecchetti abstained. Motion carried 7-0-1.

o. Substitute Support Personnel List

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve the Substitute Support Personnel List for the 2026-2027 school year, per Attachment Personnel & Policy “E”.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

p. School Volunteer List

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve the updated School Volunteer List for the 206-2027 school year, per Attachment Personnel & Policy “F”.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

q. Faculty Handbook

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve the Faculty Handbook for the 2026-2027 school year, per Attachment Personnel & Policy “G”.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said “aye”. Motion carried 8-0.

B. NEW BUSINESS

3. PERSONNEL & POLICY COMMITTEE, continued

r. Paraprofessional Handbooks

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve the following Paraprofessional Handbooks for the 2026-2027 school year, per Attachment Personnel & Policy "H".

- Learning Support Paraprofessional Support Handbook
- Life Skills Paraprofessional Support Handbook
- Title I Paraprofessional Support Handbook

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

s. Student Handbooks

Moved by Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Cecchetti, to approve the Elementary Center and JSHS Handbooks for the 2026-2027 school year, per Attachment Personnel and Policy "I".

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

8. SAFETY COMMITTEE

a. A Safety Committee Meeting is scheduled for August 13, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

b. RHS Safety Consulting, LLC – Service Agreement

Moved by Mr. Gagich, seconded by Mr. Paris, to approve the Service Agreements between the Avella Area School District and RHS Safety Consulting, LLC, for a term beginning August 5, 2026, and ending on the last day of school of the 2028-2029 school year, per Attachment Safety "A".

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

C. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Board, moved by Ms. Dryer, seconded by Mr. Jacobs, to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Cecchetti, Ms. Colilla, Ms. Dryer, Ms. Dunmore, Mr. Gagich, Mr. Jacobs, Ms. Mace, Mr. Paris, and said "aye". Motion carried 8-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana M. Davis
Board Secretary