

**AVILLA R-XIII SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OPEN SESSION MINUTES  
APRIL 18, 2022**

- I. The meeting of the Avilla R-XIII School Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Travis Gubser, President. School Board members present were: John Bowles, Travis Gubser, Sam Hegwer and Jason Boyd. Connie Rees arrived at 7:08 p.m. Collier Downing and Chance Lee were absent. Staff members present were: Russ Cruzan, Superintendent, Birgit Hylton, Chuck Wolfe and Gayla DeGraffenreid. Guest present: Kimber and Kiefer Lewis, Taleah Johnston and Bonnie Thompson.

The Board adjourned Sine Die.

Board president Travis Gubser stated that there was no election pursuant to RSMo 115.124. Birgit Hylton gave the oath of office to Travis Gubser and Jason Boyd.

- II. A motion to accept the board agenda as written was made by Travis Gubser. The motion was seconded by John Bowles.  
4 approve, 0 no.

- III. Board reorganization

Mr. Cruzan began the annual reorganization of the Board of Education by asking for nominations for Board president and vice-president.

John Bowles nominated Travis Gubser for Board president. Sam Hegwer seconded.  
3 approve, 1 abstained

Sam Hegwer nominated John Bowles for Board vice-president. Travis Gubser seconded.  
3 approve, 1 abstained

Travis Gubser asked for nominations for Board secretary and treasurer.

John Bowles nominated Connie Rees for Board treasurer. Sam Hegwer seconded.  
4 approve, 0 no

John Bowles nominated Birgit Hylton for Board secretary. Sam Hegwer seconded.  
4 approve, 0 no.

- IV. Approval of consent items:  
A. March 14, 2022 Board of Education meeting minutes

- B. Financial Summary and Report
- C. Approve Payments of Bills

John Bowles made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. The motion was seconded by Sam Hegwer.  
4 approve, 0 no.

V. Communications/ Commendations

PTO officers proposed to the Board placement of awnings and sidewalk for students safety and protection.

**\*\*Connie Rees arrived\*\***

VI. Superintendent's Report

- A. Attendance for March was 95.51%

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consider Cooperative athletic agreement for 2022-2023  
Connie Rees made a motion to approve the cooperative athletic agreement with Miller for the 2022-2023 school year. The motion was seconded by John Bowles.  
5 approve, 0 no.
- B. Consider MSBA 2022A Policy Update  
Connie Rees made a motion to approve MSBA 2022A policy updates as recommended. The motion was seconded by Sam Hegwer.  
5 approve, 0 no.
- C. Consider membership in the MSBA for FY 2022-23  
John Bowles made a motion to continue with MSBA for the FY 2022-23. The motion was seconded by Connie Rees.  
5 approve, 0 no.
- D. Consider bids for parking lot repair.  
John Bowles made a motion to accept the bid from Blevins Asphalt. The motion was seconded by Sam Hegwer.  
5 approve, 0 no.

- VIII. At 7:31 p.m. a motion was made by Connie Rees and seconded by John Bowles to enter into executive session according to the Revised Missouri State Statute 610.021 subsection 3. Roll call: approve, John Bowles, Travis Gubser, Jason Boyd, Sam Hegwer and Connie Rees.  
0 no

The Board returned to open session at 7:57 p.m.

- IX. A motion was made by Sam Hegwer and seconded by Jason Boyd to adjourn the meeting of Avilla R-13 School Board.  
5 approve, 0 no

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.