

ASTORIA COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
AGENDA

DATE: November 19, 2025
District Library
6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting is called to order at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

Truth in Taxation Hearing:

Tentative Levy Presented by Dr. Lindeman

ADJOURNMENT

II.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting is called to order at 6:45 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- Approve the minutes of the previous meetings held in October and November.
- Approve bills and payroll as presented.
- Approve destruction of all audio recordings and minutes of closed session meetings prior to 2.28.2024. (Board Policy 2:220)

5. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

5.1 High School Student of the Month: Gracie Welch, daughter of Jake and Lacey Welch

5.2 FFA and Ag project and trip updates

6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

- FOIA: CT Mills; Public Access LLC.
- FOIA: Justin Wenig

7.0 OLD BUSINESS

7.1 HS Gym Advertising: Bridges Family Farms has purchased the first billboard; 1 remains.

7.2 CD investment of \$500,000 with IPAVA State Bank for 24-month

8.0 NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Recommend approving the resolution to abate the 2025 bond payment using \$50,000 of facility tax funds.

8.2 Recommend increasing the reimbursement for personal cell phone use to \$30 per month for the identified employees (paid bi-annually)

8.3 Recommend the approval of Application for ISBE FY 2026 School Maintenance Grant

Action item: To approve applying for the Illinois State Board of Education FY 2026 School Maintenance Grant in the amount of up to \$50,000, matching funds, and authorize administration to execute all necessary documents.

8.4 Recommend approval and authorize submission of the required 10-Year Health Life Safety Survey, to ISBE via IWAS, for all district facilities in compliance with Illinois School Code and ISBE regulations conducted by Graham and Hyde Architects.

8.5 Recommend discontinuing the benchmarked years longevity stipend incentives for employees in lieu of annual percentage increases.

8.6 Recommend hiring Phillip Scrogum as a substitute bus driver.

8.7 Recommend hiring Jared Trone as a substitute bus driver.

8.8 First Reading of PRESS Issue 120: (exhibit 1)

8.9 Recommend hiring Casey Welscher as the 2026-27 Elementary Principal and Director of Special Education.

9.0 ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT

9.1 PRINCIPAL REPORT

9.2 Programs and Activities

9.3 Field Trips

9.4 Other

10.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

10.1 School Report Card designations and funding

10.2 Randy Stambaugh has donated two additional property lots to the school.

10.3 Ameren and Justin Woods completed the work in the back of the school on the 3-phase electrical systems.

10.4 The backpack program is providing 81 backpacks each weekend to students
Thanks to all the staff assisting with this project and a special thanks to Stephanie Carithers, Courtney Wherley and Carri Bridges for their hard work.

10.4 The RIF committee will meet at the end of the month per ISBE regulations

10.5 The Triple I Conference begins November 21, 2025: I will be attending with Board members Stevens and France.

10.5 Thanksgiving Holiday Break will be November 26-28.

11.0 CLOSED SESSION
None

12.0 OTHER ITEMS

13.0 AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

14.0 ADJOURNMENT

III.

A Board Committee Meeting will be held following the regular scheduled meeting:

Board members: Musson, Cameron and Easley

Location: School Library

Approximate start time is 8:30

Call to Order:

Topic: designation of school property in commemoration of service

Adjournment