ASTORIA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

These minutes are unofficial until approved by the board.

Wednesday, May 20th, 2026

The regular board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the District library.

Members present:	Cameron, France, Musson, Prather, Skiles, Stevens, Easley
Members absent:	None
Administrators present:	Interim Supt/HS Principal Vicki Phillips Assistant Principal Casey Welscher
Community members present:	Monica Stutsman, Mandy Kreps, Kate Mallory, Scott Sullivan, Madison Gale, Tessa Egleton, Janee Seitz,

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance

No additions or deletions

Motion by Prather, seconded by Skiles, to approve the consent agenda items (minutes of the previous meeting held in March, bills and payroll as presented. France, Musson, Prather, Skiles, Cameron, Stevens and Easley voted aye. Motion Passed

No audience to visitors.

Old Business:
Updates on Solar Power Project—no updates available

New Business:
First Reading of Press Plus Issue 121

The Principal/Superintendent report from Vicki Phillips included:

- Established New Student Success Committee for PK-12
- Work has begun by Lavidere Construction to replace Ag Shop doors and plumbing through various areas of the school.
- Shot clocks have been delivered and will be installed this summer.
- Mrs. Wherley has been administering a survey to all teachers to find out what is needed in the classrooms in preparation for next year.
- There will be a budget amendment hearing at 6:45pm to explain amendments that are necessary to the approved budget for FY 26.

The Assistant Principal report from Mrs. Welscher included:

Mrs. Welscher shared the professional development plan highlights for the 2026*2027 School year for teachers and staff which will include additional trauma informed training plus a focus on math instruction and training for all staff on school safety procedures.

The Motion by Musson seconded by Cameron, to go into closed session at 7:53 p.m. for the following purposes: Appointments, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees. France, Easley, Prather, Skiles, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed

Motion by Musson, seconded by Stevens, to adjourn the closed session at 8:23 p.m. France, Musson, Prather, Skiles, Easley and Cameron voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Musson, seconded by Stevens to approve the minutes of the closed session. Skiles, Cameron, France, Prather, Stevens, and Easley voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Musson, seconded by Stevens to approve the approve employment for the following: Tom Kollmann for grounds mowing and maintenance, A painting crew of current employees, Madison Orlowski as a 5th grade teacher, Jaron Bollinger as summer custodian, Easley, Prather, Skiles, Cameron, and France voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Skiles, seconded by Musson, to accept the resignation of Phillip Scrogum as bus driver and grounds mowing and maintenance. Prather, Cameron, France, Easley, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by France seconded by Musson for approval of the LEAP Grant Agreement with Regional Office of Education. Skiles, Cameron, Easley, Musson, Prather and Stevens voted aye.

Motion by Cameron, seconded by Easley to approve the advertisement of and Assistant Special Education Director to be paid 2% of the base teacher salary for $795/year. Musson, Prather, Skiles, France, and Stevens voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Musson, seconded by Prather to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:23 p.m.
France, Easley, Skiles, Stevens, and Cameron voted aye. Motion passed.

The next Board Meeting will be Wednesday, June 17th, at 7 p.m.