

AVILLA R-XIII SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
OPEN SESSION MINUTES
April 15, 2026

I. The meeting of the Avilla R-XIII School Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Collier Downing, President. School Board members present were: Tracy Artym, Savannah Charleston, Collier Downing, Sam Hegwer, and Adam Thompson. Chance Lee was absent. Staff members present were: Russ Cruzan, Chuck Wolfe, Connie Rees, Sarah Calvin.

II. A motion to accept the board agenda as written was made by Savannah Charleston. The motion was seconded by Tracy Artym.
5 yes, 0 no

III. Board Reorganization
Board President, Collier Downing stated that there was no election pursuant to RSMo.115.124. Board Secretary, Connie Rees gave the oath of office to Collier Downing and Adam Thompson.

Mr. Cruzan began the annual reorganization of the Board of Education by asking for nominations for Board President and Vice President.

Adam Thompson nominated Collier Downing for Board President. Tracy Artym seconded.

4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstained

Adam Thompson nominated Sam Hegwer for Vice President. Tracy Artym seconded.

4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstained

Tracy Artym nominated Connie Rees for Secretary. Adam Thompson seconded.

5 yes, 0 no

Tracy Artym nominated Adam Thompson for Treasure. Savannah Charleston seconded.

4 yes, 0 no, 1 abstained.

7:04 Austin Harshaw arrived

IV. Adjourn Sine Die

V. A motion was made by Savannah Charleston to approve the consent agenda items. The motion was seconded by Tracy Artym.

6 yes, 0 no

- A. Approve Minutes of March 11, 2026
- B. Financial Summary and Report
- C. Approve Payment of Bills

VI. Communication

- Report on March Attendance

VII. New Business

- A. A Technology report was given by Mrs. Sarah Calvin.
- B. Adam Thompson made a motion to continue the Career Ladder Plan for the 2026-2027 school year as recommended. The motion was seconded by Savannah Charleston.
6 yes, 0 no
- C. A motion was made by Tracy Artym to continue with the Missouri School Board Association for the 2026-2027 school year as recommended. The motion was seconded by Adam Thompson.
6 yes, 0 no
- D. A motion was made by Tracy Artym to accept the MSBA Policy update 2026A as recommended. The motion was seconded by Sam Hegwer.
6 yes, 0 no

- VIII. At 7:34 pm a motion was made by Adam Thompson and seconded by Tracy Artym to enter into executive session according to Missouri State Statute 610.021 (3). Roll call: Approve – Tracy Artym, Savannah Charleston, Collier Downing, Austin Harshaw, Sam Hegwer, and Adam Thompson. 0 no

The Board returned to open session.

- IX. At 7:37 pm a motion was made by Adam Thompson and seconded by Tracy Artym to adjourn the meeting of the Avilla R-VIII School Board.
6 approve, 0 no

Secretary, Board of Education

Date _____