

MINUTES

MIDWESTERN INTERMEDIATE UNIT IV BOARD

December 17, 2014

453 Maple Street, Grove City, PA 16127

Members Present: Debra Allebach, Joseph Boltz, Cedric Butchy, J. Dayle Ferguson, Lynn Foltz, Merle Glass, William Halle, Robert Hill, Karen Houk, Richard Roberts, Richard Rossi, John Tucker, and Dr. Wayde Killmeyer, Executive Director.

Others Present: Laura Urbach, Kim Eaton, Brenda Marino, Toby Woodward, Jill Manczka, John Suchonic, Scott Powner, Michael Brungo (Solicitor), Chuck Davies and Kevin Phillips (First Energy).

- I. The meeting was called to order by the President.
- II. Roll call by the Secretary showed twelve members present.
- III. Kevin Phillips, Senior Real Estate Representative from First Energy addressed the Board regarding the easement request from First Energy.
- IV. The President called for an Executive Session beginning at 7:13 p.m. and ending at 8:38 p.m. for the discussion of the following: 1. sale of easement and to receive legal advice, 2. personnel matters (collective bargaining negotiations with professional and support staff), 3. labor arbitration matter, and 4. sale/purchase of real estate.
- V. Minutes of the November 19, 2014 meeting, held at Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV, 453 Maple Street, Grove City, PA 16127 were approved on a motion by Mr. Tucker, seconded by Mr. Glass, with all members present voting in favor.
- VI. On a motion by Mrs. Houk, seconded by Mr. Glass, with all members present voting in favor, the Agenda was approved with the following additions:
 1. ADDITION: Leave Request – Lana Mardis
 2. ADDITION: Leave Request – Joel Black
 3. ADDITION: Employment – Tammy Rudzik
 4. ADDITION: Employment – Sean Emrick
 5. ADDITION: Employment – Rebecca Davis
 6. ADDITION: 2014-15 Substitute – Catherine Hogue
 7. ADDITION: Policy Revision - #335 Family and Medical Leaves

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VII. OLD BUSINESS

On a motion by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Hill, with all members present voting in favor, a motion from November 19, 2014, regarding an easement request from First Energy was removed from the Table.

On a motion by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Roberts, with all members present voting in favor, the attached easement request from First Energy for improvement of lines of transmission and distribution of electric current, including communication facilities, upon, over, under, and across a small portion of property at 453 Maple Street, Grove City, PA 16127 was approved.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Financial Statements and Bills

On a motion by Mrs. Houk, seconded by Ms. Foltz, with all members present voting in favor, the following financial statements and bills for the various IU Budgets were accepted:

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1.	IU General Fund (White)	\$ 4,334,053.00
2.	Nonpublic Schools (Blue)	\$ 1,668,661.00
3.	Special Education (Yellow)	\$ 19,310,700.00
4.	Federal Programs/Projects (Pink)	\$ 73,114,982.00
5.	Frew Mill School (Green)	\$ 0.00
	TOTAL	\$ 98,428,396.00

BILLS

1.	IU General Fund (White)	\$ 1,741,053.21
2.	Nonpublic Schools (Blue)	\$ 5,041.27
3.	Special Education (Yellow)	\$ 86,735.60
4.	Federal Programs/Projects (Pink)	\$ 1,420,064.01
5.	Frew Mill School (Green)	\$ 0.00
	TOTAL	\$ 3,252,894.09

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VIII. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

B. Resignations

On a motion by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Glass, with all members present voting in favor except for Mr. Hill who abstained, the following resignations were approved:

ABE / GED

1. Nathan Burtner, P.O. Box 564, Prospect, PA 16052, as a part-time Instructor in the ABE/GED Program effective at the close of work on December 8, 2014.

Special Education Core Services

2. Patricia Cartwright, 109 Boston Avenue, New Castle, PA 16101, Paraprofessional, effective at the end of the 2014-15 school year due to retirement.
3. Douglas Tomczyk, 2001 South Beaver Street, New Castle, PA 16102, Paraprofessional, effective at the close of work on December 3, 2014.
4. Maria Galus, 56 Kinsman Road, Greenville, PA 16125, Paraprofessional, effective at the close of work on December 9, 2014 due to retirement.

C. Leave Requests

On a motion by Ms. Allebach, seconded by Mr. Tucker, with all members present voting in favor, the following leave requests were approved:

Special Education Core Services

1. Cecelia Manning, 429 Moore Avenue, Baden, PA 15005, Teacher, an unpaid leave from January 15, 2015 through March 2, 2015 with MIU IV coverage of all health benefits as provided by MIU IV Policy 435, Family and Medical Leaves.
2. Beth Axe, 2504 Muzzy Drive, New Castle, PA 16101, Teacher, an extension of unpaid leave from January 2, 2015 through the end of the 2014-15 school year with MIU IV coverage of all health benefits as provided by MIU IV Policy 435, Family and Medical Leaves.

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VIII. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

C. Leave Requests (continued)

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3. Lana Mardis, 469 Lakewood Neshannock Falls, New Castle, PA 16105, Paraprofessional, an extension of unpaid leave from January 2, 2015 through the end of the 2014-15 school year with coverage of all health benefits as provided by MIU IV Policy 535, Family and Medical Leaves.
4. Joel Black, 1811 Mercer-Wilmington Road, Mercer, PA 16137, LPN/Teaching Assistant, an extension of unpaid leave from January 2, 2015 through the end of the 2014-15 school year with MIU IV coverage of all health benefits as provided by MIU IV Policy 535, Family and Medical Leaves.

D. Employment

On a motion by Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Roberts, with all members present voting in favor, the following persons were employed in the positions as indicated below:

ABE / GED

1. Samuel Duane Rauch, 1390 Highland Road, Sharon, PA 16146, as a part-time Instructor in the ABE/GED Program effective December 2, 2014 to June 30, 2015.

Special Education Core Services

2. Kimberley Walker, P.O. Box 442, Lyndora, PA 16045, extension of Long Term Substitute Teacher position from January 5, 2015 through the end of the 2014-15 school year to fill the vacancy created by Beth Axe's leave. Her salary will be set at 92% of Step 1, Master's level on the 2014-15 PSEA salary schedule.
3. Tammy Rudzik, 584 Cherriwood Road, Pulaski, PA 16143, Long-Term Substitute Paraprofessional, an extension of employment effective January 5, 2015 through the end of the 2014-15 school year to fill the vacancy created by Lana Mardis's leave. Her salary will be based on Level A, Teaching Assistant, on the 2014-15 ESPA salary schedule.

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VIII. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

D. Employment (continued)

Special Education Core Services (continued)

4. Sean Emrick, 50 South Keel Ridge Road, Hermitage, PA 16148, Long-Term Substitute LPN/Paraprofessional, effective January 5, 2015 through the end of the 2014-15 school year to fill the vacancy created by Joel Black's leave. His salary will be based on Level A, LPN/Teaching Assistant on the 2014-15 ESPA salary schedule.
5. Rebecca Davis, 22 South Maysville Road, Greenville, PA 16125, Speech Therapist, effective January 5, 2015 to fill the vacancy created by Steven Sheirer's transfer. Her salary will be set at Step 2, Master's in accordance with the 2014-15 PSEA salary schedule. She will be issued a Temporary Professional Contract.

E. 2014-15 Substitutes

On a motion by Mr. Glass, seconded by Ms. Allebach, with all members present voting in favor, the attached list of substitutes for the 2014-15 school year was approved.

F. Request for Contract Authorization

In order to comply with PA Public School Code Section 508, on a motion by Mrs. Houk, seconded by Mr. Hill, with all members present voting in favor, approval was granted for Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV to enter into contracts in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100) with service providers as indicated on the attached listing.

G. MIU IV Smart Contract: Computer Bid Awards

Bids were tabulated and reviewed following the bid deadline for MIU IV Smart Contract on November 25, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. for the purchase of Personal Computers, Communication Equipment, Network Wiring and related Hardware and Software from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. On a motion by Mrs. Ferguson, seconded by Ms. Foltz, with all members present voting in favor, the attached bid awards were approved.

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VIII. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

H. Resolution for Procurement Cards

On a motion by Mr. Hill, seconded by Ms. Foltz, with all members present voting in favor, the attached resolution authorizing Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV to purchase goods and services by use of Procurement Cards was approved.

I. Policy Revision - #335 Family and Medical Leaves

On a motion by Mrs. Houk, seconded by Ms. Allebach, with all members present voting in favor, the attached revised Policy #335 – Family and Medical Leaves was given first reading and tentative approval.

J. MIU IV Comprehensive Plan for 2014 - 2017

On a motion by Mr. Tucker, seconded by Mr. Roberts, with all members present voting in favor, the attached MIU IV Comprehensive Plan proposed for 2014-2017, as required by the PA Department of Education under 22 Pa. Code § 4.13(a) and (b), was approved.

K. 2014-15 Bus Drivers

On a motion by Mr. Glass, seconded by Mrs. Ferguson, with all members present voting in favor, the following bus drivers for the 2014-15 school year were approved:

<p><u>Watson's</u> Rudolph Bauer Sandra Gwin</p>
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IX. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Glass, with all members present voting in favor, the meeting was adjourned.

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