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MINUTES of February 25, 2026, MIDWESTERN INTERMEDIATE UNIT IV BOARD OF DIRECTORS

453 Maple Street, Grove City, PA 16127

Members Present: Rodney Bobby, Joseph Bolz, Eric DiTullio, Brian Foltz, Merle Glass, Michael Panza, Richard Rossi, (v), Deborah Roberson, Gary Shingleton, Brenda Marino

Others Present: Donna Volpe, Melissa Wyllie, Maureen Werwie, Jason Williams, Shawn Algoe, Chuck Sapienza, Julie McElroy, Dawn Blair, David Zupsic, Meredith Elkin, Jordan Strausbaugh, Amy Miller, Erin Bowser, Kim Paglia, Kate DeHart, Lia Noel

- I. The meeting was called to order by the President.
- II. Roll call by the Secretary showed nine members present.
- III. The President called for an Executive Session and was informed that there was no need.
- IV. Minutes of the January 28, 2026, meeting, held at Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV, 453 Maple Street, Grove City, PA 16127, were approved on motion by Mr. Bobby seconded by Mr. DiTullio with all members present voting in favor.
- V. On a motion by Mr. DiTullio, seconded by Mr. Bobby, with all members present voting in favor, the agenda was approved with the following:

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The President asked if there were any questions or comments from the public.

VII. TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

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VIII. OLD BUSINESS

On a motion by Dr. Panza, seconded by Mr. Bobby, with all members present voting in favor, the following was approved.

Policy Review

It is recommended that the following MIU Policies, *Community, 901, 902, 904, 906, 907, 908, 911, 912, 916, 918, and Employees, 311, 338, 338.1* be given a second read and adoption.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Financial Statements and Bills

On a motion by Mr. DiTullio, seconded by Dr. Panza, with all members present voting in favor, the following financial statements and bills for the various IU Budgets were approved.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS January 1, 2026, through January 30, 2026

1.	State and Federal Programs (Fund 10)	\$ 37,785,717.00
2.	Special Education (Fund 20)	\$ 16,013,921.00
3.	Capital Projects (Fund 30)	\$ 265,000.00
4.	Nonpublic Schools (Fund 10)	\$ 2,404,912.00
5.	IU General Fund (Fund 10)	\$ 4,442,184.00
6.	Internal Service Fund – UC/WC (Fund 70)	\$ 131,000.00
7.	Internal Service Fund – Dental & Vision (72)	\$ 162,700.00
8.	OPEB Trust (Fund 73)	\$ 190,000.00
TOTAL		\$ 61,395,434.00

BILLS January 1, 2026, through January 30, 2026

1.	General Fund (Fund 10)	\$ 2,334,776.54
	• State and Federal Programs	
	• Nonpublic School Services	
	• General Fund	
2.	Special Education (Fund 20)	\$ 980,883.97
TOTAL		\$ 3,315,660.51

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IX. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

B. Updated Listing of Credit Card Corporations and Authorized Employees

On a motion by Mr. DiTullio, seconded by Mr. Boltz, with all members present voting in favor. The attached updated listing of credit cards and authorized employees as shown in compliance with MIU IV Policy #610.1 – Credit Cards. Each authorized employee will sign the credit card employee usage agreement, and it will be made part of the employee's personnel file maintained in Human Resources.

C. Request for Contract Authorization

On a motion by Mr. DiTullio, seconded by Mr. Bobby, with all members present voting in favor, the following was approved. In order to comply with PA Public School Code Section 508, approval is requested 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.

D. Resignation

On a motion by Mr. DiTullio, seconded by Mr. Bobby, with all members present voting in favor, the following was approved.

Special Education

Donna Osborne, Paraprofessional, the close of work on June 30, 2026, due to retirement.

Strike from motion

~~Amy Darney, Licensed Practical Nurse/Paraprofessional, the close of work on March 27, 2026, due to resignation.~~

E. Employment

On a motion by Mr. DiTullio, seconded by Mr. Bobby, with all members present voting in favor, the following was approved.

Special Education

Aliah Espinosa, Paraprofessional, effective March 30, 2026 due to the vacancy created by the resignation of Amanda King. Her salary will be based on Associate Level, 2025-2026 ESPA, Paraprofessional level. Continued employment is contingent upon successful completion of the personnel file documentation and probationary period.

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IX. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

F. Leaves

On a motion by Mr. DiTullio, seconded by Mr. Foltz, with all members present voting in favor, the following was approved.

Special Education

Employee #3 of 2025-2026 school year, extension of unpaid leave beginning on February 12, 2026 and ending on March 27, 2026 with MIU IV coverage of all health benefits as provided by MIU IV Policy 335, Family and Medical Leave.

Employee #4 of 2025-2026 school year, unpaid leave beginning April 30, 2026 through June 30, 2026 with MIU IV coverage of all health benefits as provided by MIU IV Policy 335, Family and Medical Leave

G. eGrant Sign-Off Change

On a motion by Mr. DiTullio, seconded by Mr. Bobby, with all members present voting in favor, the following was approved.

It is recommended that Brenda Marino, Interim Executive Director, replace Wayde Killmeyer as the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV's eGrant sign-off Administrator.

H. Appointment of MIU IV Board Members

Nominations

Nominations are requested for **two (2) district board members** to fill the seats left vacant by the following people, who resigned from an unexpired term seat on the MIU IV Board of Directors:

- Karen Houk, (Neshannock S.D. / Lawrence County)

Nomination received from:

- Kelli Mayer, (Jamestown S.D. / Mercer County)

Dr. Panza *nominated* Kelli Mayer, motion to close nominations was made by Mr. DiTullio, seconded by Dr. Panza

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- Kevin Boariu, (Ellwood City S.D. / Lawrence County)

Nomination received from:

- Jean Biehls, (Ellwood City S.D. / Lawrence County)

Mr. DiTillio nominated Jean Biehls, motion to close nominations was made by Mr. DiTullio, seconded by Dr. Panza.

Appointment

As determined by the nomination made above (or counted ballot results if more than one nomination was made above).

- Board Member Name: Jean Biehls
- Board Member Name: Kelli Mayer

It is recommended that the persons named above be appointed to the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV Board of Directors effective February 25, 2026, through June 30, 2026 (at which time the annual election will occur).

On a motion by Mr. DiTullio, seconded by Mr. Bobby, with all members present voting in favor, the above persons were appointed to the Board of Directors.

ROLL CALL Vote: Voting Results 9-Yes

IX. Adjournment

On a motion by Dr. Panza, seconded by Mr. Foltz, with all members present voting in favor, the meeting was adjourned.

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