

INTERMEDIATE UNIT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
MAY 21, 2025

President calls the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silence.

ROLL CALL:

John Adonizio, President – Pittston Area

Peter Lanza, Vice - President – Northwest Area

Joseph Caffrey, Secretary – Wilkes Barre Area

Denise Thomas, Treasurer – Wilkes Barre Area

Rick Stevens – Hanover Area

T. Scott Walsh – Lake Lehman

Erika Jacobs– Greater Nanticoke Area

Paula Eckert -Tunkhannock Area

Ellen McBride – Hazleton Area

Marla Campbell – Crestwood

Philip Campenni– Wyoming Area

Larry Schuler – Dallas

Timothy McGinley – Wyoming Valley West

ADMINISTRATION

Executive Director, Dr. Anthony Grieco

Assistant to the Executive Director for Student Services, Libby Krokos

Assistant to the Executive Director for District Services, Ty Yost

Solicitor to the Board, Michael Butera

Business Manager, Tara Pisano

Director of Administrative Services, Joseph DeLucca

Director of Personalized Academy of Learning, Ron Musto

Director of Provider 50, Jennifer Runquist

Director of Human Resources and Policy, Nicholas Audi

Public Comments:

SECRETARY'S REPORT – MR. CAFFREY

M_____ moves and M_____ seconds the motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of **April 23, 2025.**

TREASURER'S REPORT – MS. THOMAS

M_____ moves and M_____ seconds the following motions:

April 1, 2025 through April 30, 2025.

	BEGINNING BALANCES	TOTAL REVENUES	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	BALANCE FORWARD
Luzerne Intermediate Unit – General Fund Nonpublic School Services Program	5,986,276.12	1,424,858.88	1,576,906.54	5,834,228.46
Fund 11 – Act 89 Special Education Department	1,776,429.13	8,073.81	65,031.63	1,719,471.31
Fund 23 – Special Education	3,277,945.68	901,907.32	1,792,193.11	2,387,659.89
Fund 24 – Transportation	2,101,160.16	6,797.20	634,849.32	1,473,108.04
School Lunch Program	7.86	-	-	7.86
Behavioral Health Program	5,625,182.10	1,311,501.88	827,090.27	6,109,593.71
Payroll Account	185,442.01	2,004,255.17	2,134,476.87	55,220.31
Accounts Payable	5,848.37	-	-	5,848.37
Federal and State Programs:				
IDEA -- 2, 3, 4	3,540,971.97	735,791.13	653,326.36	3,623,436.74
MOSES TAYLOR NURSING GRANT -- 5	-	-	5,000.00	(5,000.00)
PCCD SECURITY GRANT -- 9 LUZ COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH GRANT -- 12	(25,472.00)	-	10,926.00	(36,398.00)
	-	-	375.15	(375.15)
UNITED WAY -- 17	(1,889.87)	5,872.00	5,231.92	(1,249.79)
STEM -- 27	105,531.29	16,000.00	20,349.44	101,181.85
PREK COUNTS -- 28	(120,331.44)	76,666.66	1,458.91	(45,123.69)

ELECT--37	(9,895.15)	-	22,734.70	(32,629.85)
STATEWIDE SYSTEM OF SUPPORT	136,185.00	69,597.50	3,600.00	202,182.50
HOMELESS--51	37,373.99	13,243.83	17,510.38	33,107.44
TITLE I PART D DELINQUENT CHILDREN -- 53	15,103.73	17,243.00	56.21	32,290.52
ACCESS--63	3,955,569.63	-	9,241.20	3,946,328.43
CSI -- 64	(3,298.82)	-	2,610.00	(5,908.82)

THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS HAD NO EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH
OF APRIL 2025:

PCCD NONPUBLIC SAFETY GRANT - 6	(148,619.16)	30,574.30	-	(118,044.86)
PCCD MENTAL HEALTH & SAFETY GRANT - 14	(7,500.00)	-	-	(7,500.00)
OBERKOTTER -- 20	25,138.33	-	-	25,138.33
ARP I ESSER HOMELESS - 50	(330,024.25)	-	-	(330,024.25)
ARPII ESSER HOMELESS -- 52	(33,928.60)	-	-	(33,928.60)
TITLE III---73	(14,112.17)	7,332.00	-	(6,780.17)
TITLE I FOSTER CARE-- 80	-	-	-	-

APRIL FEDERAL AND STATE REVENUES

TITLE III LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION	7,332.00
IDEA-B	735,791.13
DELINQUENT CHILDREN	17,243.00
SAFETY INITIATIVES	26,897.50
HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTH	13,243.83
STANDARD BASED INSTRUCTION	42,700.00
PREK COUNTS	76,666.66
TOTAL SUBSIDY	919,874.12

APRIL 2025 REVENUES

ALLEGHENY IU	15,000.00	REMAKE LEARNING
ALLEGHENY IU	1,000.00	REMAKE LEARNING
ALLEGHENY IU	2,000.00	REMAKE LEARNING
AMERICAN FIDELITY	90.70	REFUND
BEAR CREEK CHARTER SCHOOL	3,123.50	2024/2025 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PATIENT SVCS	24.91	2024/2025 OUTPATIENT REVENUE
COMMONWEALTH OF PA	36.64	2024/2025 SBBH PROGRAMS
COMMUNITY CARE WIRE TRANSFER	251,424.00	2024/2025 SBBH PROGRAMS
CRESTWOOD AREA	29,874.00	2024/2025 ESL SERVICES
CRESTWOOD AREA	37,857.65	2024/2025 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
CRESTWOOD AREA	9,916.67	2024/2025 DUAL DIAGNOSIS
CURRICULUM SERVICES	110.00	SPECIAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
DALLAS SD	73,738.99	2024/2025 ESL SERVICES
DALLAS SD	61.20	2024/2025 TRANSPERFECT
DIOCESE OF SCRANTON	14,755.00	2024/2025 DISCOVERY EDUCATION
HANOVER AREA	44,907.84	2024/2025 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
HANOVER AREA	4,770.00	2024/2025 PAL PROGRAM
HANOVER AREA	15,617.50	2024/2025 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
HANOVER AREA	8,134.00	2024/2025 THERAPEUTIC AUTISTIC SUPPORT
IDEMIA	2,312.00	FINGERPRINTING REIMBURSEMENT
LAKE LEHMAN	38,349.03	2024/2025 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
LAKE LEHMAN	8,460.00	2024/2025 PAL PROGRAM
LAKE LEHMAN	3,123.50	2024/2025 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
LAKE LEHMAN	3,123.50	2024/2025 MEHOOPANY LIGHTHOUSE
LAKE LEHMAN	8,134.00	2024/2025 THERAPEUTIC AUTISTIC SUPPORT
LAKE LEHMAN	5,900.12	2024/2025 ESL SERVICES
LIGHTHOUSE REIMBURSEMENT	145.07	REIMBURSEMENT
LIU EMPLOYEE	12.74	JURY DUTY REFUND
LIU EMPLOYEE	32.00	HEALTHCARE REIMBURSEMENT
LIU RETIREE	2,990.24	RETIREE HEALTHCARE
LUZERNE/WYOMING PSAR	96.00	ROOM RENTAL
MCIU	6,450.00	2024/2025 CSO
MECADON LAW	500.00	DOCUMENT DESTRUCTION DEPOT
NANTICOKE AREA	37,748.86	2024/2025 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
NANTICOKE AREA	17,700.00	2024/2025 PAL PROGRAM
NANTICOKE AREA	2,896.08	2024/2025 PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION
NANTICOKE AREA	37,482.00	2024/2025 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
NBHCC WIRE TRANSFER	214,424.88	2024/2025 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS
NORTHWEST	20,742.30	2024/2025 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
NORTHWEST	2,896.08	2024/2025 PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION
NORTHWEST	15,617.50	2024/2025 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY

NORTHWEST	10,182.06	2024/2025 ESL SERVICES
PA PAPER SUPPLY	1,342.16	REFUND
PITTSTON AREA SD	998.82	GRAPHIC ARTS
PITTSTON AREA SD	114,162.50	2024/2025 CYBER REVENUE
PITTSTON AREA SD	700.00	GRAPHIC ARTS
PITTSTON AREA SD	69,919.88	2024/2025 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
PITTSTON AREA SD	6,360.00	2024/2025 PAL PROGRAM
PITTSTON AREA SD	5,792.16	2024/2025 PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION
PITTSTON AREA SD	24,988.00	2024/2025 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
PITTSTON AREA SD	8,134.00	2024/2025 THERAPEUTIC AUTISTIC SUPPORT
REVERSE INCLUSION SERVICES	387.50	2024/2025 TUITION
SUNLIFE FINANCIAL	84.36	COMMON SHARE DIVIDEND
THIRD PARTY INSURANCE	19,675.09	2024/2025 OUTPATIENT SERVICES
TUNKHANNOCK	21,863.60	2024/2025 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
TUNKHANNOCK	6,247.00	2024/2025 MEHOOPANY PARTIAL
TUNKHANNOCK	15,617.50	2024/2025 MEHOOPANY LIGHTHOUSE
TUNKHANNOCK	16,268.00	2024/2025 THERAPEUTIC AUTISTIC SUPPORT
WEST SIDE CTC	30,122.95	2024/2025 ESL SERVICES
WILKES BARRE AREA	143,936.25	2024/2025 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
WILKES BARRE AREA	69,390.00	2024/2025 PAL PROGRAM
WILKES BARRE AREA	8,688.25	2024/2025 PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION
WILKES BARRE AREA	68,717.00	2024/2025 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
WILKES BARRE AREA	40,670.00	2024/2025 THERAPEUTIC AUTISTIC SUPPORT
WILKES BARRE AREA	14,875.00	2024/2025 DUAL DIAGNOSIS
WILKES BARRE AREA	6,833.34	2024/2025 MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL
WYOMING AREA	72,106.06	2024/2025 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
WYOMING AREA	4,380.00	2024/2025 PAL PROGRAM
WYOMING AREA	6,247.00	2024/2025 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
WYOMING AREA	4,958.33	2024/2025 DUAL DIAGNOSIS
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	143,055.15	2024/2025 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	6,120.00	2024/2025 PAL PROGRAM
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	2,896.08	2024/2025 PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	34,358.50	2024/2025 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	4,067.00	2024/2025 THERAPEUTIC AUTISTIC SUPPORT

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – DR. ANTHONY GRIECO

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Board:

M_____ moves and M_____ seconds the report of the Executive Director and that it be made part of the minutes.

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE BUILDING AND
GROUNDS COMMITTEE- JOHN ADONIZIO, CHAIRPERSON; RICK STEVENS AND
LARRY SCHULER.**

No report.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE – RICK STEVENS, CHAIRPERSON; PAULA ECKERT AND TIM MCGINLEY

M. _____ moves and M _____ seconds the following motions:

1. SPECIAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATION PROGRAM COURSE INSTRUCTORS

That the Board of Directors approves the following to serve as Instructors for the Special Education Certification Program for the 2025-2026 school year.

GEORGE BUTWIN
ANGELO DEPRIMO
CARA DEVINE
CHRISTINA GELSO
JAMES GEIGER
RONALD GREVERA
ANTHONY GRIECO
JESSICA JACOBS
BRITTANY KALINAY
SUSAN KUHL
ELIZABETH KROKOS
SUZANNE MCCABE
DEANNA MENNIG
STEPHANIE PAOLUCCI
JOANN PEPSIN
STACY RAIJSKI
ANDREW RIVERA
TY YOST
LYNN ZILLER

2. SPECIAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATION PROGRAM TUITION RATE

That the Board of Directors approves the increase of the Post-Baccalaureate Special Education Certification Program Tuition from \$175 per credit to \$195 per credit: effective January 1, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE FINANCE COMMITTEE-DENISE THOMAS, CHAIRPERSON; MARLA CAMPBELL AND TIM MCGINLEY

M_____moves and M_____seconds the following motions:

1. AGREEMENTS

A. That the board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the following to host “Paraprofessional Conference” for rental and hospitality on August 11, 2025.

MOHEGAN PENNSYLVANIA

B. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the following for school improvement and data analysis services at the rate of \$45.00 an hour not to exceed 80 hours per month, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

B3 CONSULTING

C. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the following for effective practices support services at the rate of \$45.00 an hour not to exceed 80 hours per month, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

FOSTER EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING LLC

D. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the following to provide support with the STEM statement of work deliverables at a rate of \$45.00 an hour, not to exceed an annual total of 200 hours, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

MICHAEL CORCORAN

E. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the following to provide Access billing consulting services at a rate of \$50.00 per hour, dependent on Access funding: not to exceed 80 hours per month, effective for the 2025/26 school year

JOHN GORDON

F. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the following entity to accept Environmental Education Grant funding provided to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit with program delivery to conclude June 30, 2026 and not to exceed an awarded amount of \$30,000.

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

G. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the following entity to accept PAsmart Advancing K-12 Computer Science & STEM Education Grant funding provided to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit with program delivery to conclude June 30, 2026 and not to exceed an awarded amount of \$75,000.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

H. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the following for effective practices support services at the rate of \$45.00 an hour not to exceed 80 hours per month: effective July 1, 2025– June 30, 2026.

KUHL EDUCATION AND CONSULTING SERVICES, LLC

I. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the Autism Transition Center beginning for the 2025-2026 school year pending solicitor review and approval.

MERICLE COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE SERVICES**2. AFFILIATION AGREEMENTS**

That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an affiliation agreement with the following university to provide fieldwork experience for one year: effective for 1 year from date of signature.

MISERICORDIA UNIVERSITY**3. AGREEMENT RENEWAL**

That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to renew the agreement for online learning services and online courses for grades K-12 through the Capital Area Online Learning Association (CAOLA). CAOLA serves as one of our vendors for the Lighthouse Cyber Services Program.

CAPITAL AREA INTERMEDIATE UNIT**4. CONTRACTS**

A. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into a service contract with the following for the 2025-2026 (November 1, 2025 – March 31, 2026) heating season at the REAL Academy, Pittston, for \$224.95:

MECADON OIL CO

B. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into a contract with the following to strip and wax the floors at Lighthouse Mehoopany, for \$6,308.40. to be paid upon completion of the project.

SOVEREIGN COMMERCIAL SERVICE

5. REMAKE LEARNING EVENT HOST AWARDS

That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to permit the Luzerne Intermediate Unit to operate as the fiscal agent to provide the following entities monetary awards as per the Remake Learning Days agreement with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit. The Luzerne Intermediate Unit will pay the following event hosts awards for facilitating a Remake Learning Days Mega Event. The total funding awarded shall not exceed \$4,500.

CARBON LEHIGH INTERMEDIATE UNIT 21 **SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER** **SCRANTON/WILKES-BARRE RAILRIDERS** **NORTHEASTERN EDUCATIONAL INTERMEDIATE UNIT 19**

6. PAYMENT FOR CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION CREDIT COURSES

That the Board of Directors authorizes payment for the following 3 credit, 90-hour Continuing Professional Education Credit Courses:

“Achieving Excellence, 14 Things that Matter Most,” an online course taught by Colleen Anzio from 4/3 to 5/2/2025. Payment in the amount of \$200 for 2 students.

7. INSURANCE BROKER OF RECORD

That the Board of Directors approves the appointment of Joyce, Jackman & Bell, as Insurance Broker of Record for the 2025/2026 fiscal year.

8. CONTRACTED SERVICES

That the Board of Directors approves the contracted Special Education Programs and school year services for the 2025/2026 school year with the following school districts in the listed amounts,

subject to revision:

CRESTWOOD	\$ 955,604.74
DALLAS	\$ 361,327.49
GREATER NANTICOKE	\$ 625,325.99
HANOVER	\$ 501,001.39
HAZLETON	\$ 29,642.74
HAZLETON - PreSchool	\$ 411,807.33
LAKE LEHMAN	\$ 593,003.00

NORTHWEST	\$ 194,024.24
PITTSTON	\$ 405,967.50
TUNKHANNOCK	\$ 270,846.24
WILKES-BARRE	\$ 3,081,466.25
WYOMING AREA	\$ 610,331.25
WVW	\$ 1,340,091.39

WESTERN WAYNE SD	\$ 900.00
RIVERSIDE	\$ 39,579.50
CARBONDALE SD	\$ 1,968.00
COMMONWEALTH CHARTER SCHOOL	\$ 8,124.25
BEAR CREEK	\$ 6,885.00
ELK LAKE SD	\$ 1,968.00

9. NAMING OF DEPOSITORIES

That the Board of Directors approves the following depositories for the Program Funds as indicated, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026:

Program	Presently	Proposed
Act 89 Non Public	PNC Bank	PNC Bank
Federal Projects	PNC Bank	PNC Bank
LIU General Fund	PNC Bank	PNC Bank
LIU Payroll	PNC Bank	PNC Bank
Special Education	PNC Bank	PNC Bank
Transportation	PNC Bank	PNC Bank
LIU Accounts Payable	PNC Bank	PNC Bank
Access Program	PNC Bank	PNC Bank
Behavioral Health Program	PNC Bank	PNC Bank

10. TUITION REIMBURSEMENTS

A. That the Board of Directors authorizes the reimbursement of tuition in accordance with the Professional Staff Collective Bargaining Agreement, in the total amount of **\$900.**

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

CHARLES HAMPTON

Wilkes University

6 Graduate Credits at 40% credit cost of \$375 per credit.

\$900.00 reimbursable

B. That the Board of Directors authorizes the reimbursements of tuition in accordance with the Act 93 Agreement, in the total amount of **\$699.20**

ACT 93

THERESA KINGETER

Wilkes University

6 Graduate credits at 80% credit cost of \$571 per credit (\$699.20 remaining in the 2024-25 Act 93 Tuition Reimbursement Fund)

\$699.20 reimbursable

11. CONTRACT – LIU EDUCATION ASSOCIATION FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

That the Board of Directors ratifies the Agreement between the Luzerne Intermediate Unit #18 and Luzerne Intermediate Unit 18 Education Association for Behavioral Health: effective July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028.

12. LEASE AGREEMENT

That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into a lease agreement with the following for space at \$7,000.00 per classroom for the 2025-2026 school year at the Mehoopany Elementary Center.

TUNKHANNOCK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE; ELLEN MCBRIDE, CHAIRPERSON; MARLA
CAMPBELL AND ERIKA JACOBS**

M_____moves and M_____seconds the following motions:

TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTS ADJUSTMENTS

That the following negotiated transportation routes for the 2024-2025 Luzerne Intermediate Unit Transportation Program be approved as reviewed and recommended by the Executive Director and Administrative Services Director. The Luzerne Intermediate Unit reserves the right to renegotiate the award in the event that any students are to be added, dropped, addresses changed, or locations changed. The Pennsylvania State Transportation Formula determines the amounts and the Transportation Department has checked mileage. A payment of \$32.00 per day is included in the contracted amount for all aides, and \$40.00 per day is included in the contract amount for routes requiring vans with lifts.

SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION 2024-2025

MARCH 2025

JARE SERVICES, LLC – 2137 STATE ROUTE 940, FRFEELAND, PA 18224

JS-ROUTE-1–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$501.09** effective **March 21, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**KEYSTONE VALLEY TRANSPORT, LLC-839 WEST 8TH STREET, WEST
WYOMING, PA 18644**

KV-ROUTE-1–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$500.67** effective **March 24, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KV-ROUTE-3–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$413.58** effective **March 3, 2025**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$399.98** effective **March 24, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KV-ROUTE-8–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$407.38** effective **March 3, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KV-ROUTE-9–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$135.69** effective **March 11, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KV-ROUTE-11–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$216.84** effective **March 11, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased; then adjusted to **\$455.59** effective **March 17, 2025**; student added,

mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area and Wyoming Area School Districts.

KV-ROUTE-13—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$360.27** effective **March 11, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KV-ROUTE-14—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$437.30** effective **March 3, 2025**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$469.94** effective **March 27, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KV-ROUTE-15—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$304.71** effective **March 11, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KV-ROUTE-16—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$212.59** effective **March 12, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KV-ROUTE-17—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$378.46** effective **March 17, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KV-ROUTE-18—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$431.72** effective **March 3, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KV-ROUTE-20—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$606.93** effective **March 3, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area, Pittston Area and Dallas School Districts.

KV-ROUTE-23—Awarded at the daily rate of **\$462.12** effective **March 12, 2025**. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KV-ROUTE-24—Awarded at the daily rate of **\$112.40** effective **March 3, 2025**; then adjusted to **\$185.13** effective **March 12, 2025**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$267.63** effective **March 13, 2025**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$160.66** effective **March 14, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area and Dallas School Districts.

RELIABLE INC. 45 TEDRICK STREET, PITTSTON, PA 18640

RT-ROUTE-3—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$245.34** effective **March 25, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area and Wyoming Area School Districts.

RT-ROUTE-4—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$242.41** effective **March 25, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area, Dallas and Wyoming Area School Districts.

RT-ROUTE-5—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$140.00** effective **March 10, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area and Wyoming Area School Districts.

RT-ROUTE-9—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$179.18** effective **March 5, 2025**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$188.13** effective **March 21, 2025**; students added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

RT-ROUTE-11—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$165.98** effective **March 3, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

RT-ROUTE-12—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$160.86** effective **March 20, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

RT-ROUTE-14—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$127.74** effective **March 14, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

RT-ROUTE-17—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$172.53** effective **March 3, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

RT-ROUTE-22—Awarded at the daily rate of **\$121.48** effective **March 14, 2025**. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

STI HAZLETON TRANSPORTATION LLC-P.O. BOX 2438-HAZLETON, PA 18201

STI-ROUTE-3—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$107.08** effective **March 1, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

STI-ROUTE-7—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$196.71** effective **March 1 2025**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$121.87** effective **March 21, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

STI-ROUTE-9—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$56.21** effective **March 1, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

STI-ROUTE-10—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$102.39** effective **March 1, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

STI-ROUTE-13–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$98.92** effective **March 1, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

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AGZ TRANSPORTATION, LLC – 1099 HANOVER COURT, HAZLE TWP, PA 18202

AGZ-ROUTE-1–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$364.42** effective **April 14, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

AGZ-ROUTE-2–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$340.52** effective **April 4, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

AGZ-ROUTE-5–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$244.41** effective **April 3, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

D&J BROS LOGISTICS – 328 EAST WALNUT ST-HAZLETON, PA 18201

DJ-ROUTE-1–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$312.52** effective **April 7, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

DJ-ROUTE-2–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$162.03** effective **April 1, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KEYSTONE VALLEY TRANSPORT, LLC-839 WEST 8TH STREET, WEST WYOMING, PA 18644

KV-ROUTE-7–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$505.78** effective **April 28, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area and Pittston Area School Districts.

KV-ROUTE-9–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$79.99** effective **April 17, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KV-ROUTE-13–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$310.96** effective **April 9, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

KV-ROUTE-24–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$397.79** effective **April 14, 2025**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$403.26** effective **April 24, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area and Dallas School Districts.

MICHAEL SHUSTA-462 SECOND ST-PLYMOUTH, PA 18651

MS-ROUTE-2–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$341.27** effective **April 15, 2025**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$285.53** effective **April 28, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

PATRICIA KAMOR-702 SUSQUEHANNA AVE-EXETER, PA 18643

PK-ROUTE-1–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$81.44** effective **April 1, 2025**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$126.91** effective **April 14, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

RE TRANSPORTATION – 483 BLACKMAN ST-WILKES BARRE, PA 18702

RE-ROUTE-1 –Adjusted to the daily rate at **\$289.95** effective **April 30, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

RELIABLE INC. 45 TEDRICK STREET, PITTSTON, PA 18640

RT-ROUTE-9–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$170.41** effective **April 1, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

RT-ROUTE-16–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$181.79** effective **April 7, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area, Dallas and Wyoming Area School Districts.

THE WRIGHT TRANSPORTATION – 62 WILLOW ST, PLYMOUTH, PA 18651

TW-ROUTE-1–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$163.96** effective **April 4, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased; then adjusted to **\$216.84** effective **April 11, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

TW-ROUTE-2–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$179.82** effective **April 4, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

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KEYSTONE VALLEY TRANSPORT, LLC-839 WEST 8TH STREET, WEST WYOMING, PA 18644

KV-PDE-ROUTE-3–Awarded at the daily rate of **\$41.49** effective **March 4, 2025**. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

RELIABLE INC. 45 TEDRICK STREET, PITTSTON, PA 18640

RT-PDE-ROUTE-2—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$54.88** effective **March 12, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

RT-PDE-ROUTE-5—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$54.01** effective **March 13, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

RT-PDE-ROUTE-8—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$51.31** effective **March 4, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

STI HAZLETON TRANSPORTATION LLC-P.O. BOX 2438-HAZLETON, PA 18201

STI-PDE-ROUTE-1—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$42.72** effective **March 1, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

STI-PDE-ROUTE-7—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$68.30** effective **March 1, 2025**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$50.27** effective **March 12, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

STI-PDE-ROUTE-8—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$102.75** effective **March 12, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

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RELIABLE INC. 45 TEDRICK STREET, PITTSTON, PA 18640

RT-PDE-ROUTE-1—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$116.37** effective **April 1, 2025**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wyoming Area School District.

RT-PDE-ROUTE-5—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$36.13** effective **April 15, 2025**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE-PETER LANZA, CHAIRPERSON; PHILIP CAMPENNI AND DENISE THOMAS.

M_____moves and M_____seconds the following motions:

1. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

A. That the Board of Directors approves the following part-time Mental Health Professional (MHP) to serve as an Outpatient therapist; at a starting hourly rate of \$31.16: effective May 22, 2025. All appointments are made pending receipt of all state mandated clearances and human resource paperwork:

AMY DITOTO

B. That the Board of Directors approves the following full-time appointment in the Behavioral Health Department for a Behavioral Health Technician (BHT) for the Dual Diagnosed program, under the agreement between Luzerne Intermediate Unit and the Intermediate Unit Education Association for Behavioral Health, at a yearly rate to be determined by the contract: effective date to be determined. All appointments are made pending receipt of all state mandated clearances and human resource paperwork:

EMILY SMITH

C. That the Board of Directors accepts, with regrets, the position refusals of the following Behavioral Health employees:

SARA CASTÍLLO – Mental Health Worker (MHW)

BRITTANY NEDDERMAN - Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA)

LISA YOZWIAK – Mental Health Professional (MHP)

D. That the Board of Directors accepts, with regrets, the resignations of the following Behavioral Health employees:

MEAGAN MANZELLA – Part-time BHT, effective May 9, 2025

CHERI SHAVER – Part-time MHP, effective June 7, 2025

E. That the Board of Directors approves the following intern from Misericordia University for the Behavioral Health program, effective August 18, 2025 – December 19, 2025: All appointments are made pending receipt of all state mandated clearance.

NATALIA YUNEZ

2. FEDERAL AND STATE PROGRAMS

That the Board of Directors approves the summer hours for **PA's Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness Program's Regional Coordinator**, at the approved contractual rate, without benefits, not to exceed 20 hours per week, effective June 2, 2025 through August 29, 2025, subject to available funding:

JEFF ZIMMERMAN

3. OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

A. That the Board of Directors approves the following Training and Consulting (TaC) employee to work a maximum of 18 hours at the hourly rate of \$35.84 to attend PATTaN Trainings and to facilitate District Professional Development: June 9, 2025, for ECRI Vocabulary for Pittston 2nd Grade and June 17 & 18, 2025, for MTSS Math Conference.

LORIANN HOFFMAN

B. That the Board of Directors approves the following Training and Consulting (TaC) employee to work a maximum of 16 hours at the hourly rate of \$35.84 to facilitate District Professional Development: Dallas Middle School PBIS training for June 17, 18, 19, & 20, 2025.

LYNN ZILLER

C. That the Board of Directors approves the following Professional Development employee to work up to 40 hours for the summer of 2025 to support Career Readiness and Credit Recovery at the hourly professional rate of \$35.84, beginning June 11, 2025.

SUE KUHL

D. That the Board of Directors approves the following TAC staff, Training and Consultation Department, to work up to 40 hours each for the summer of 2025 at the hourly professional rate of \$35.84, beginning July 1, 2025.

CARA DEVINE

TINA GELSO

STACEY RAIJSKI

LORIANN HOFFMAN

GEORGE BUTWIN

LYNN ZILLER

E. That the Board of Directors approves the following appointment to the Guest Teacher Program for 2024/2025 school year with a daily rate applicable to the district in which they are assigned, and that all placements and locations are provisional pending receipt of all required paperwork and state mandated clearances:

JUSTIN MALARKEY**4. SPECIAL EDUCATION****A. APPOINTMENTS – EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR 2025**

That the Board of Directors approves the following professional appointments to the **2025 Extended School Year Program**, not to exceed 80 hours, at the hourly rate of \$38.40, and that all placements and locations are provisional pending student population and receipt of all state mandated clearances and human resources paperwork.

ADAPTED PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER

BILL MONAGHAN**

CLASSROOM TEACHERS

MEGAN BALARA

JAYLIN FULKERSIN**

LINDSEY GRUVER**

JACQUALYN KASA

BREANNA PAULSON**

ASHLEY TEMARANTZ

JAMIE BEGGS

JULIA EVANS**

KATIE FINNEGAN**

GAIL HONEYWELL

JENNIFER HUNTER**

SAMANTHA IDE

STACY MCCARTER

MICHAEL NOVROCKI**

JORDAN POWERS**

AMY RAU**

KATRINA ROSATO

SARAH SOLANO**

BETHANY TAYLOR

BETHANY WEISS**

CARA SERINO

PHYSICAL THERAPIST

KARA CLEMSON**

SCHOOL NURSE

MELISSA BRADY-HUMMEL**

MARIA COONS

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST

KAITLIN FAUERBACH

KATHLEEN KLATT
SAMANTHA PERRY-CZAPLA
JENNIFER WADAS

TEACHER OF THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED
EMILY RAMSEUR

****WORKED ESY 2024****

B. PARAPROFESSIONALS

That the Board of Directors approves the following support staff appointments to the **2025 Extended School Year Program**, not to exceed 80 hours, at the hourly rate of \$13.00, and that all placements and locations are provisional pending student population and receipt of all state mandated clearances and human resources paperwork.

KASEY CONAHAN**
ELIZABETH DOMARASKY**
SAMANTHA LANZA
JENNIFER MITKOWSKI
SHAMAR MOSS
SANDRA NAMEY
JEANNIE NARDONE
DREENA SCHULZE
KRISTEN SWETZ**
JILLIAN VITO
JENNIFER MITKOWSKI
AMBER ZYSKOWSKI
KATHLEEN KORNISH

****WORKED ESY 2024****

C. ESY CLASSROOM TEACHERS

That the Board of Directors approves the following professional appointments to the **2025 Extended School Year Program**, not to exceed 80 hours, at the hourly rate of \$31.16, and that all placements and locations are provisional pending student population and receipt of all state mandated clearances and human resources paperwork.

CLASSROOM TEACHERS
JACOB NOVROCKI
RACHEL SHOOK
MIA SNYDER**

****WORKED ESY 2024****

D. That the Board of Directors accepts, with regret, the following position refusal for the **2025 Extended School Year Program**:

PATRICIA NORRIS – Paraprofessional

E. That the Board of Directors appoints the following **Special Education Para-Educator**, as per the LIU Educational Support Professionals Association Agreement: effective date 2025-2026 school year. All appointments are made pending receipt of all state mandated clearances and human resource paperwork.

SAMANTHA LANZA

F. That the Board of Directors approves the following appointments to **School Social Worker** position, under the Professional Contract; effective date the beginning of the 2025-2026 School Year. All appointments are made pending receipt of all state mandated clearances and human resource paperwork.

SARAH KREIDLER
LARA ZLUCHOWSKI

5. **REQUESTS FOR UNPAID LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

That the Board of Directors approves the request for unpaid leave of absences for the following employees:

EMPLOYEE #1993 – 3.5 Days

EMPLOYEE #2974 – 1 Day

EMPLOYEE #2409 – 1 Days

EMPLOYEE #2261 – 2 Days

EMPLOYEE #2973 – 2.5 Days

EMPLOYEE #3001 – 1.5 Days

EMPLOYEE #2903 - .75 Days

EMPLOYEE #1143 – 1 Day

EMPLOYEE #2410 – 1 Day

EMPLOYEE #1829 – 29 Days

6. **REQUEST FOR FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

That the Board of Directors approves the request for Intermittent Family and Medical Leave, not to exceed 12 weeks, for the following employee:

EMPLOYEE #2850

7. **REQUEST FOR ASSOCIATION DAYS**

That the Board of Directors approves the Association Days for the following members of the LIU Professional Employee Association:

MARIA MORREALE- May 14 and 29, 2025-Full Days, May 27, 2025-Half Day

KERRIE BASARA – May 23, 2025 Full Day, May 27, 2025-Half Day

NICOLE DANIELS – May 27, 2025- Half Day

8. REQUESTS FOR JURY DUTY LEAVE

That the Board of Directors approves the following request for jury duty and that they be paid their daily rate less the amount received for jury duty.

PAUL RICHARDS

9. BOARD POLICY REVISIONS

That the Board of Directors approves the **first reading** of the following board policy revisions.

POLICY 417 - CONDUCT/DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

POLICY 417.1 - EDUCATOR MISCONDUCT

POLICY 320 - FREEDOM OF SPEECH BY EMPLOYEES

POLICY 420 – FREEDOM OF SPEECH BY EMPLOYEES

RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE- PAULA ECKERT, CHAIRPERSON; ELLEN MCBRIDE AND JOSEPH CAFFREY.

A. The following recipients have been recommended for the **Elizabeth Cadwalader Stoddart Scholarships:**

1. **Karlie Rae Marshallick** is graduating from Greater Nanticoke Area and plans to attend Wilkes University.
2. **Hannah Alizabeth McAfee** is graduating from Wilkes Barre Area STEM Academy and plans to attend the University of Scranton.
3. **Kayla Lee Ann Murray** is graduating from Tunkhannock Area and plans to attend Johnson College.
4. **Yokaira Reyes-Moquea** is graduating from Hazleton Area and plans to attend Luzerne County Community College.

B. The following recipients have been recommended for the **LIU Post-Secondary Golf Scholarships:**

1. **Tafarie Ashraf** is graduating from West Side CTC and plans to attend Luzerne County Community College.
2. **Michelle Pastuizaca** is graduating from Greater Nanticoke Area and plans to attend Lackawanna College.
3. **Erin Redmond** is graduating from Lake Lehman and plans to attend Misericordia University.
4. **Zaria Streich** is graduating from Tunkhannock Area and plans to attend Temple University.
5. **Nethaniel Totten** is graduating from Wilkes Barre CTC and plans to attend Luzerne County Community College.
6. **Marissa Valdez** is graduating from Northwest Area and plans to attend Kings College.

C. The following recipient has been recommended for the **James M. Gambini Memorial Scholarship:**

1. **Olivia Capitano** is graduating from Pittston Area and plans to attend Saint Joseph's University.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

M_____ moves and M_____ seconds the motion that the next meeting of the Luzerne Intermediate Unit Board of Directors be held on **JUNE 18, 2025 at 6:30 P.M.** in the Auditorium of the Luzerne Intermediate Unit 18, 368 Tioga Avenue, Kingston, PA.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

M_____ moves and M_____ seconds the motion to adjourn.

Joseph Caffrey, Secretary