

**INTERMEDIATE UNIT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**  
**APRIL 22, 2026**

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

Larry Schuler, Secretary – Dallas

Denise Thomas, Treasurer – Wilkes Barre Area

Rick Stevens – Hanover Area

T. Scott Walsh – Lake Lehman

Erika Jacobs– Greater Nanticoke Area

Paula Eckert - Tunkhannock Area

Edward Shemansky – Hazleton Area

Michael Namey – Crestwood

Peter Butera– Wyoming Area

Mark Atherton– Wilkes Barre Area

Charles Kamus – 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 Provider 50, Jennifer Runquist

Director of Human Resources and Policy, Nicholas Audi

Director of Federal, State and Non-Public Programs, Angelo DePrimo

**Public Comments:**

**SECRETARY'S REPORT – MR. SCHULER**

M\_\_\_\_\_ moves and M\_\_\_\_\_ seconds the motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of **March 25, 2026.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT – MS. THOMAS**

M\_\_\_\_\_ moves and M\_\_\_\_\_ seconds the following motions:

**March 1, 2026 through March 31, 2026.**

	BEGINNING BALANCES	TOTAL REVENUES	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	BALANCE FORWARD
Luzerne Intermediate Unit – General Fund Nonpublic School Services Program	6,489,197.23	4,330,238.32	4,224,795.59	6,594,639.96
Fund 11 – Act 89 Special Education Department	2,128,884.54	4,154.70	171,774.68	1,961,264.56
Fund 23 – Special Education	3,146,601.49	1,668,689.59	1,905,476.27	2,909,814.81
Fund 24 – Transportation	2,295,709.40	4,015.24	550,898.23	1,748,826.41
School Lunch Program	7.86	-	-	7.86
Behavioral Health Program	8,928,345.99	1,151,085.32	1,292,977.26	8,786,454.05
Payroll Account	206,718.68	3,480,465.89	3,490,475.11	196,709.46
Federal and State Programs:				
IDEA -- 2, 3, 4	917,649.27	2,966,507.72	1,088,518.08	2,795,638.91
UNITED WAY -- 17	(41,804.29)	-	5,551.80	(47,356.09)
STEM -- 27	98,401.97	-	20,237.14	78,164.83
ELECT--37	62,973.43	-	27,202.34	35,771.09
STATEWIDE SYSTEM OF SUPPORT	42,450.00	-	3,600.00	38,850.00
HOMELESS--51	143,150.46	23,561.58	16,593.34	150,118.70
TITLE I PART D DELINQUENT CHILDREN -- 53	94,450.86	9,047.00	2,406.20	101,091.66
PA SMART GRANT -- 62	41,770.00	3,750.00	6,975.05	38,544.95
ACCESS--63	3,062,703.12	-	8,063.09	3,054,640.03

CSI -- 64	23,260.00	40,000.00	2,250.00	61,010.00
TITLE III--73	2,714.77	8,953.62	2,562.70	9,105.69

The following programs had no expenditures for the month of March 2026:

MOSES TAYLOR NURSING GRANT -- 5	(1,150.38)	-	-	(1,150.38)
PCCD NONPUBLIC SAFETY GRANT - 6	(17,718.76)	-	-	(17,718.76)
PCCD SECURITY GRANT -- 9	-	-	-	-
LUZ COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH GRANT -- 12	(17,966.09)	-	-	(17,966.09)
PCCD MENTAL HEALTH & SAFETY GRANT - 14	8,960.89	-	-	8,960.89
PARAEDUCATOR GRANT- 16	(3,252.00)	-	-	(3,252.00)
OBERKOTTER -- 20	24,611.95	-	-	24,611.95
PREK COUNTS -- 28	248,988.62	70,000.00	-	318,988.62
TITLE I FOSTER CARE-- 80	0.00	-	-	0.00

### **MARCH FEDERAL AND STATE REVENUES**

HOMELESS CHILDREN & YOUTH	23,561.58
TITLE III LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION	8,953.62
IDEA-B	2,966,507.72
DELINQUENT CHILDREN	9,047.00
PRE-K COUNTS	70,000.00
FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS	921.70
PASMART	3,750.00
TOTAL SUBSIDY	3,082,741.62

### **MARCH 2026 REVENUES**

AETNA	80.10	2025/2026 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM
ALLEGHENY IU	40,000.00	2025/2026 CSI
ALLEGHENY IU	12,150.00	REMAKE LEARNING
AMERICAN FIDELITY	56.00	REFUND
BEAR CREEK CHARTER SCHOOL	63.00	2024/2025 SAFETY CARE TRAINING

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PATIENT SVCS	35.00	2025/2026 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PATIENT SVCS	20.00	2025/2026 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM
CIGNA	45.60	2025/2026 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM
CIGNA	32.00	2025/2026 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM
CIGNA	80.00	2025/2026 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM
CIGNA	38.42	2025/2026 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM
COMMUNITY CARE WIRE TRANSFER	197,125.20	2025/2026 SBBH APA
CRESTWOOD	23,168.68	2025/2026 PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION
CRESTWOOD	12,494.00	2025/2026 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
CRESTWOOD	19,833.32	2025/2026 DUAL DIAGNOSIS PROGRAM
CRESTWOOD	318,534.92	2025/2026 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
CURRICULUM SERVICES	240.00	GUEST TEACHER
CURRICULUM SERVICES	5,005.00	SPECIAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
DALLAS SD	3.40	TRANSPERFECT
DELAWARE VALLEY UNIVERSITY	2,470.24	ROOM RENTAL
ECHO	91.50	2025/2026 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM
HANOVER AREA	41,750.12	2025/2026 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
HANOVER AREA	9,150.00	2025/2026 PAL PROGRAM
HANOVER AREA	12,494.00	2025/2026 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
HANOVER AREA	4,067.00	2025/2026 THERAPETIC AUTISTIC SUPPORT
HANOVER AREA	4,067.00	2025/2026 TAS CENTER
HAZLETON AREA	141.10	TRANSPERFECT
HEADSTART	52.70	TRANSPERFECT
HEADSTART	73.10	TRANSPERFECT
IDEMIA	986.00	FINGERPRINTING REIMBURSEMENT
JIGSAW LEARNING	179.92	PAIU - TEACHTOWN
LAKE LEHMAN	49,416.92	2025/2026 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
LIU EMPLOYEE	200.00	REPAYMENT
LIU EMPLOYEE	10.36	JURY DUTY
LIU RETIREE	10,230.33	RETIREE HEALTHCARE
NBHCC WIRE TRANSFER	177,178.77	2025/2026 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
NORTHWEST	16,168.69	2025/2026 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
NORTHWEST	3,780.00	2025/2026 PAL PROGRAM
NORTHWEST	12,494.00	2025/2026 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
NORTHWEST	6,247.00	2025/2026 MEHOOPANY LIGHTHOUSE
NORTHWEST	1,666.66	2025/2026 PSYCHOLOGIST SERVICES
PITTSTON AREA SD	224.40	TRANSPERFECT
PITTSTON AREA SD	27.00	GRAPHIC ARTS
PITTSTON AREA SD	69.70	TRANSPERFECT
PITTSTON AREA SD	98.00	2024/2025 SAFETY CARE TRAINING
REVERSE INCLUSION SERVICES	6,655.62	2025/2026 PRE-K TUITION
RIVERSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT	31,643.00	2024/2025 SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES
RIVERSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT	89,191.33	2024/2025 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

THIRD PARTY INSURANCE	22,831.54	2025/2026 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM
TUNKHANNOCK	45,141.04	2025/2026 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
TUNKHANNOCK	3,180.00	2025/2026 PAL PROGRAM
TUNKHANNOCK	37,482.00	2025/2026 MEHOOPANY LIGHTHOUSE
TUNKHANNOCK	40,670.00	2025/2026 THERAPETIC AUTISTIC SUPPORT
TUNKHANNOCK	525.00	SPECIAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
TUNKHANNOCK	8.50	TRANSPERFECT
TUNKHANNOCK	1,170.00	SPECIAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
UPMC INSURANCE SERVICES	674.64	2025/2026 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM
UPMC INSURANCE SERVICES	1,236.76	2025/2026 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM
WILKES BARRE AREA	160,513.69	2025/2026 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
WILKES BARRE AREA	46,920.00	2025/2026 PAL PROGRAM
WILKES BARRE AREA	2,896.08	2025/2026 PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION
WILKES BARRE AREA	109,322.50	2025/2026 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
WILKES BARRE AREA	3,123.50	2025/2026 MEHOOPANY LIGHTHOUSE
WILKES BARRE AREA	12,201.00	2025/2026 THERAPETIC AUTISTIC SUPPORT
WILKES BARRE AREA	24,791.67	2025/2026 DUAL DIAGNOSIS PROGRAM
WILKES BARRE AREA	44,737.00	2025/2026 TAS CENTER
WILKES BARRE AREA	1,557.20	TRANSPERFECT
WIRE TRANSFER	896,677.62	2025/2026 RETIREMENT
WYOMING AREA	45,061.94	2025/2026 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
WYOMING AREA	2,190.00	2025/2026 PAL PROGRAM
WYOMING AREA	2,896.08	2025/2026 PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION
WYOMING AREA	15,617.50	2025/2026 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
WYOMING AREA	4,958.33	2025/2026 DUAL DIAGNOSIS PROGRAM
WYOMING AREA	5,000.00	2025/2026 PSYCHOLOGIST SERVICES
WYOMING AREA	14,000.00	2025/2026 BCBA SERVICES
WYOMING AREA	442.70	TRANSPERFECT
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	219,482.56	2025/2026 SPECIAL ED SERVICES
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	25,080.00	2025/2026 PAL PROGRAM
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	5,792.16	2025/2026 PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	118,693.00	2025/2026 LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	6,247.00	2025/2026 MEHOOPANY LIGHTHOUSE
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	8,134.00	2025/2026 THERAPETIC AUTISTIC SUPPORT
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	49,583.34	2025/2026 DUAL DIAGNOSIS PROGRAM
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	105,742.00	2025/2026 TAS CENTER
WYOMING VALLEY WEST	30,598.37	2025/2026 TITLE I SERVICES
ZELIS	78.40	2025/2026 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – DR. ANTHONY GRIECO**

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Board:

The **Crestwood School District**, informed me that the **Crestwood School Board** met on February 19, 2026 and approved our General Operating Budget by a vote of **9 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSTAINING AND 0 ABSENT**.

The **Wilkes Barre Area School District**, informed me that the **Wilkes Barre Area School Board** met on March 30, 2026 and approved our General Operating Budget by a vote of **9 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSTAINING AND 0 ABSENT**.

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 GROUND 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 CHARLES KAMUS**

M. \_\_\_\_\_ moves and M \_\_\_\_\_ seconds the following motions:

1. **PERMISSION TO OFFER SPECIAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATION PROGRAM COURSES**

That the Board of Directors approves the following 3 credit, 90-hour course for the Paraeducator to Special Education Certification Program.

**“Classroom Management and Positive Behavior Support”** taught by Stacey Rajjski from May 5, 2026 to June 16, 2026

2. **PERMISSION TO OFFER CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION CREDIT COURSES**

That the Board of Directors approves the following **3 credit, 90 hour Continuing Professional Education Credit Courses:**

**“Project-Based & Challenge-Based Learning,”** an online course taught by Jill Brooks from July 13, to August 8, 2026

3. **SPECIAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATION PROGRAM COURSE INSTRUCTOR**

The Board of Directors approves the following Special Education Certification Program Instructor to teach additional course sections of current offerings as dictated by increasing enrollment for the remainder of the 2025-2026 academic year:

**KRISTEN SZEWCZYK**

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE FINANCE COMMITTEE-DENISE THOMAS, CHAIRPERSON; MICHAEL NAMEY AND CHARLES KAMUS**

M\_\_\_\_\_ moves and M\_\_\_\_\_ seconds the following motions:

**1. AGREEMENTS**

A. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to renew an agreement to receive technology-related legal services, consultation, and professional development during the 2026- 2027 school year at a cost of \$9,000.00.

**SWEET, STEVENS, KATZ & WILLIAMS LLP**

B. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the following to provide legal services consultation for the Intermediate Unit and its constituent school districts during the 2026-2027 school year and that the Intermediate Unit will pay a sum of \$13,125.00.

**SWEET, STEVENS, KATZ & WILLIAMS LLP**

C. That the board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the following for the 2026-2027 school year.

**PROABA PEDIATRIC SERVICES**

D. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the **PA Department of Human Services** for the School Based Access Program (SBAP) for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

E. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement for a Certification Program Integration Consultant at the rate of \$50.00 an hour not to exceed 60 hours per month as needed: effective April 22, 2026 to June 30, 2027.

**JOSEPH LONG**

F. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to enter into a 5-year lease agreement for the expansion of the Autism Center (Forty Fort) beginning for the 2026-2027 school year pending solicitor review and approval.

**MERICLE COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE SERVICES**

**2. RENTAL FEE – LIGHTHOUSE ACADEMY**

That the Board of Directors approves the monthly rental fee of \$20,108.99 to be paid from the Behavioral Health Department to the General Fund based on the square footage of each building.

**3. PDE-2054 IU ADMINISTRATIVE, SUMMARY AND PROGRAM BUDGET SUBMISSION**

That the Board of Directors approves the submission of the PDE-2054 Intermediate Unit Administrative, Summary and Program Budget for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2027.

**4. APPROVAL OF FLEXIBLE INSTRUCTION DAY APPLICATION**

That the Board of Directors authorizes the submission of the Flexible Instructional Day application to the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

**5. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION GRANT-STUDENT ART SHOWCASE**

That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to permit the Luzerne Intermediate Unit to pay the following entity for space to show case student art exhibits funded by school participation in a Department of Environmental Protection Environmental Education Grant. The total payment shall not exceed \$700.

**FINE ARTS FIESTA, INC**

**6. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION GRANT – PARTNER PAYMENT**

A. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to permit the Luzerne Intermediate Unit to pay the following entity for completion of services as a partner in an awarded Department of Environmental Protection Environmental Education Grant. The total funding awarded shall not exceed \$3,870.

**EASTERN PA COALITION FOR ABANDONED MINE RECLAMATION**

B. That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to permit the Luzerne Intermediate Unit to pay the following entity for completion of services as a partner in an awarded Department of Environmental Protection Environmental Education Grant. The total funding awarded shall not exceed \$9,620.

**ARTS IN EDUCATION OF NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA-AIENEP**

**7. 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:

**“ABC’s on Teaching Strategies for Pre K – 3,”** an online course taught by Colleen Anzio from 3/5 to 4/7/2026. Payment in the amount of \$200 for 2 students.

**“Active and Engaging Strategies for the Inclusive Classroom,”** an online course taught by Colleen Anzio from 3/6 to 4/10/2026. \$200 Payment for 2 students.

## **8. SPECIAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATION PROGRAM COMPENSATION**

That the Board of Directors authorizes compensation for Special Education Certification Program upon completion of the course and submission of grades to the following faculty at the following rates:

**“Curriculum and Instruction for Students with Low Incidence Disabilities”** taught by Cara Devine, a 3-credit course. Payment in the amount of \$2400 for 21 students.

**“Curriculum and Instruction for Students with Low Incidence Disabilities”** taught by Andrew Rivera, a 3-credit course. Payment in the amount of \$2400 for 21 students.

**“Curriculum and Instruction for Students with Low Incidence Disabilities”** taught by Nicole Sharrow, a 3-credit course. Payment in the amount of \$2400 for 21 students.

**“Early Intervention”** taught by Lisa Krzywicki, a 3-credit course. Payment in the amount of \$2400 for 28 students.

**“Early Intervention”** taught by Suzanne McCabe, a 3-credit course. Payment in the amount of \$2400 for 27 students.

## **9. CONTRACT**

That the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to execute a non-binding Letter of Intent for Bond Underwriting with the following.

**PNC CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC**

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE  
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE; EDWARD SHEMANSKY, CHAIRPERSON;  
MICHAEL NAMEY AND ERIKA JACOBS**

M \_\_\_\_\_ moves and M \_\_\_\_\_ seconds the following motions:

**TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTS ADJUSTMENTS**

That the following negotiated transportation routes for the 2025-2026 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 2025-2026**

**FEBRUARY 2026**

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

**AGZ-ROUTE-4**–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$231.03** effective **February 2, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**AGZ-ROUTE-6**–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$235.25** effective **February 4, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**AGZ-ROUTE-6**–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$235.25** effective **February 4, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**AGZ-ROUTE-7**–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$279.03** effective **February 11, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**AVIT TRANSPORT LLC – 159 BEADE ST-PLYMOUTH, PA 18651**

**AT-ROUTE-1**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$302.51** effective **February 2, 2026**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$294.94** effective **February 11, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**AT-ROUTE-2**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$220.32** effective **February 6, 2026**; 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-4**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$177.04** effective **February 26, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**DJ-ROUTE-5**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$193.60** effective **February 10, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**KEYSTONE VALLEY TRANSPORT, LLC-839 WEST 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET, WEST WYOMING, PA 18644**

**KV-ROUTE-1**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$554.40** effective **February 2, 2026**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$111.63** effective **February 9, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**KV-ROUTE-2**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$172.03** effective **February 9, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area and Wyoming Area School Districts.

**KV-ROUTE-3**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$210.74** effective **February 9, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area and Wyoming Area School Districts.

**KV-ROUTE-10**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$560.16** effective **February 24, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area and Wyoming Area School Districts.

**KV-ROUTE-14**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$377.68** effective **February 17, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**KV-ROUTE-15**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$529.03** effective **February 5, 2026**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$146.61** effective **February 23, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area and Old Forge School Districts.

**KV-ROUTE-19**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$307.64** effective **February 2, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**KV-ROUTE-21**—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$126.93** effective **February 26, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Old Forge School District.

**PACE TRANSPORTATION-PO BOX 1015-PITTSTON, PA 18640**

**PT-ROUTE-17**—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$319.98** effective **February 3, 2026**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$368.35** effective **February 19, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area and Wyoming Area School Districts.

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

**RE-ROUTE-2** Adjusted to the daily rate at **\$97.98** effective **February 2, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**RELIABLE INC. 45 TEDRICK STREET, PITTSTON, PA 18640**

**RT-ROUTE-4**—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$70.28** effective **February 3, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area and Wyoming Area School Districts.

**RT-ROUTE-12**—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$94.28** effective **February 1, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**STI HAZLETON TRANSPORTATION LLC-189 EAST MARKET STREET, WILKES BARRE, PA 18702**

**STI-ROUTE-2**—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$218.27** effective **February 10, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Pittston Area School District.

**STI-ROUTE-3**—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$101.48** effective **February 2, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased; then adjusted to **\$110.14** effective **February 10, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**STI-ROUTE-5**—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$95.67** effective **February 2, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased; then adjusted to **\$108.95** effective **February 24, 2026**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$119.01** effective **February 17, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**STI-ROUTE-6**—Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$155.30** effective **February 2, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**STI- ROUTE-8**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$161.68** effective **February 2, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**STI- ROUTE-12**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$105.21** effective **February 2, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased; then adjusted to **\$104.07** effective **February 10, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**STI- ROUTE-13**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$182.03** effective **February 10, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

### **MARCH 2026**

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

**AGZ-ROUTE-6**–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$270.86** effective **March 11, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**AGZ-ROUTE-7**–Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$257.00** effective **March 11, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

#### **CONSTANCE KOZO-O'BRIEN – 11 MEMORIAL ST.- EXETER, PA 18643**

**CO- ROUTE-1**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$265.98** effective **March 23, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

#### **MICHAEL SHUSTA-462 SECOND ST-PLYMOUTH, PA 18651**

**MS-ROUTE-1**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$230.27** effective **March 2, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

#### **PACE TRANSPORTATION-PO BOX 1015-PITTSTON, PA 18640**

**PT-ROUTE-21**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$386.28** effective **March 10, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**PT-ROUTE-22**-Awarded at the daily rate of **\$203.94** effective **March 2, 2026**. Then adjusted to **\$249.68** effective **March 13, 2026**; student added, mileage increased; then adjusted to **\$289.57** effective **March 18, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

### **PDE/HOMELESS 2025-2026**

**FEBRUARY 2026**

**MICHAEL SHUSTA-462 SECOND ST-PLYMOUTH, PA 18651**

**MS-PDE-ROUTE-1**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$139.12** effective **February 25, 2026**; student added, mileage increased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**RELIABLE INC. 45 TEDRICK STREET, PITTSTON, PA 18640**

**RT-PDE-ROUTE-6**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$68.02** effective **February 12, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**MARCH 2026**

**MICHAEL SHUSTA-462 SECOND ST-PLYMOUTH, PA 18651**

**MS-PDE-ROUTE-1**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$149.69** effective **March 2, 2026**; student dropped, mileage decreased. This route transports students from the Wilkes Barre Area School District.

**MS-PDE-ROUTE-2**-Adjusted to the daily rate of **\$193.03** effective **March 2, 2026**; 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; PETER BUTERA AND DENISE THOMAS.**

M \_\_\_\_\_ moves and M \_\_\_\_\_ seconds the following motions:

**1. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

A. That the Board of Directors accepts, with regrets, the position refusal of the following Behavioral Health employee:

**SARAH COMILLO** – Part-time Behavioral Health Technician (BHT)

B. That the Board of Directors accepts, with regrets, the resignation of the following Behavioral Health employee:

**JANELLE MOSER** – Part-time BHT, effective March 31, 2026

C. That the Board of Directors approves the following realignment as a Licensed Mental Health Professional (MHP) in Outpatient services; at an hourly rate of \$35.00. Effective April 23, 2026:

**CHERYL BAYO**

D. That the Board of Directors appoints the following part-time Art Therapist at an hourly rate of \$31.16, not to exceed 10 hours per week. Effective June 15, 2026 to August 14, 2026. All appointments are made pending receipt of all state mandated clearances and human resource paperwork:

**MELISSA PEALER**

E. That the Board of Directors approves the following full-time appointments in the Behavioral Health Department for a Behavioral Health Technician (BHT) for the Community and School-Based Behavioral Health Team (CSBBH), 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 completion of Bachelor's Degree in May 2026:

**CADENCE DEGREGORY**

F. 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 Classroom, 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:

**JAMES STAVRIDIS****2. SPECIAL EDUCATION****A. APPOINTMENTS-2026 EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM**

That the Board of Directors approves the following professional appointments to the **2026 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.

**CLASSROOM TEACHERS**AMY BAYLORAVA BUTCHER\*\*JARROD DALLEY\*\*COREY DEMPSEYJUAN MARTINEZSHELBY MUELLERANDREW NOVROCKI\*\*KYLEE PIMENTALRACHEL SHOOK\*\*ERIN SCIANDRA\*\*\*\*WORKED ESY 2025\*\***B. SUPPORT STAFF**

That the Board of Directors approves the following support staff appointments to the **2026 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.

NADIA COSTAGLIOLAGISELLA DAUCHERT\*\*KATHLEEN KORNISH\*\*ELIZABETH SODERGRENTERRELL TIMOTHYKYAHASIA TRAYNHAM\*\*BRIANNA VANWHY\*\*MARA RYANLEXIE FAUXMICHAEL DOMARASKY\*\*WORKED ESY 2025\*\*

C. That the Board of Directors accepts, with regret, the resignation of the following Special Education employee.

**QUATAVIA BLAKE** – Paraprofessional – Effective April 1, 2026

D. That the Board of Directors approves the following appointment to the **Occupational Therapist** position, under the Professional Contract: effective date to be determined. All appointments are made pending receipt of all state mandated clearances and human resource paperwork.

**THERESA ZEARES**

**3. REQUESTS FOR JURY DUTY**

That the Board of Directors approves the following requests for jury duty leave and that they are compensated their daily rate less the amount received for jury duty.

**KATIE MARIE EDDY** – Effective April 20, 2026

**ANDREA GRILZ** – Effective May 15, 2026

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

That the Board of Directors approves the following requests for an unpaid leave of absence for the following employees:

**EMPLOYEE #3015** – 2 Days

**EMPLOYEE #3130** – 1.75 Days

**EMPLOYEE #2973** – 1.75 Days

**EMPLOYEE #1143** – 2 Days

**EMPLOYEE #1993** – 5 Days

**EMPLOYEE #2410** – 1 Day

**5. REQUEST FOR FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE**

That the Board of Directors approves the request for a Family and Medical Leave (FMLA), beginning April 16, 2026 for up to 12 weeks for the following employee:

**EMPLOYEE #2964**

**6. SUSPENSIONS**

A. That the Board of Directors approves the following employee suspension for two days without pay: effective

**EMPLOYEE #1700**

B. That the Board of Directors approves the following employee suspension for two days without pay: effective

**EMPLOYEE #2542**

**7. BOARD POLICY REVISIONS**

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

**POLICY 221 – DRESS AND GROOMING**

**POLICY 325 – DRESS AND GROOMING**

**POLICY 425 – DRESS AND GROOMING**

**POLICY 525 – DRESS AND GROOMING**

**POLICY 236.1 – THREAT ASSESSMENT**

**POLICY 332 – WORKING PERIODS**

**POLICY 432 – WORKING PERIODS**

**POLICY 619 – INTERMEDIATE UNIT AUDIT**

**8. REQUEST FOR ASSOCIATION DAYS**

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

**KERRIE BASARA** – April 22, 2026 Half Day

**NICOLE DANIELS** – April 22, 2026 Half Day

**MARIA MORREALE** – April 22, 2026 Half Day

**9. OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING**

That the Board of Directors accepts, with regret, the resignation of the following Assistant Director of STEM and Innovative Practices: effective August 14, 2026.

**RICHARD MACKRELL**

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE- PAULA ECKERT, CHAIRPERSON; EDWARD SHEMANSKY AND MARK ATHERTON**

The Scholarship Committee met this afternoon. Awards will be presented at the May meeting.

**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 **MAY 20, 2026 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.

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Larry Schuler, Secretary