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Executive Director

Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit
Board of Directors Meeting

March 23, 2021

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit Board of Directors was held Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at the NEIU Administration Office, Archbald, PA.

President Joseph Muracco called the meeting to order at 6:21 p.m.

President Muracco announced that an Executive Session was held on March 23, 2021 for personnel matters before the meeting.

Mrs. Jessica Gilhooley, Board Secretary, NEIU, took roll.

Joseph Muracco, Pres, P	Rodman Azar, P*	James Malloy, P*
Howard McIntosh, V Pres, P*	Atty. Glenn Cashuric, P	Paul Otway, P*
Caryn Emiliani, Tres, P	Amanda Cook, P*	Christine Plonski-Sezer, A
	Christina Cosmello, A	Gina Pritchard, A
	William Gershey, P*	Philip Stark, A
	Alisha Hudak, P	Arden Tewksbury, P
	Tina Jezuit, P*	Douglas Wilcox, A
	Paul Kaczmarcik, P*	John Yanochik, P*
	Bernice Lukus, P*	

Others present were NEIU staff Messrs. McTiernan and Williams and Mlles. Honick, Vagni*, Penzone*, Dickey*, and John Audi*, representing Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams, LLP., NEIU staff; Brenda Pawelzik was also present.

* Attended virtually

Mr. Bob McTiernan amended the agenda to strike **Motion 5B, Angalene Snipes** and add it to **Motion 10**.

There was no public participation.

Motion by Dr. Kaczmarcik, seconded by Ms. Hudak to adopt the minutes of the February 23, 2021 board meeting. All Directors voted yes. Motion carried 15-0.

Motion by Mr. Tewksbury, seconded by Atty. Cashuric to accept treasurer's reports for February, 2021. All Directors voted yes. Motion carried 15-0.

Motion by Mr. Gershey, seconded by Ms. Emiliani to approve bills payable as presented for February, 2021. All Directors voted yes. Motion carried 15-0.

Motion by Ms. Emiliani, seconded by Mr. McIntosh, to approve **Motions 1 through 9** and striking **Motion 5B**.

Motion 1 to amend the 2020-2022 Act 93 Administrative Compensation Plan (*Exhibit 1*) to reflect staffing changes.

Motion 2 to approve an addendum to the Client Assignment Confirmation (*Exhibit 2*) with ProCare Therapy, Inc. at a rate of \$74/hr. not to exceed 35 hrs./wk. as indicated:

Occupational Therapist - day to day sub - Early Intervention
effective 3/8/2021 through 4/30/2021 with a month to month extension

Motion 3 to approve an “Assurance for the Operation of Special Education Services and Programs/Quality Space” (*Exhibit 3*) for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion 4 to approve a status change for the following employee as indicated:

<u>Prior Employee</u>	<u>Status Position</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Tricia	Teacher	1:1 Teacher	\$16.32/hr.	03/05/2021-
Fratarcangeli	Assistant - EI (part-time)	Assistant - School Age (part-time)		06/30/2021

Motion 5 to approve the following employee requests as indicated:

A. Return to Work:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Type of Leave</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Nicole McGuire	EI Classroom/ Itinerant Teacher	Uncompensated Leave	03/29/2021

B. Request for Leave:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Type of Leave</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Lyndsay Paone	Speech Therapist-EI	FMLA	03/10/2021-05/26/2021 Uncompensated portion begins 04/29/2021

C. Retirement:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Grace VanSickle	Clerical	03/15/2021

D. Resignation:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Katie Lane	Teacher Assistant	03/29/2021

Motion 6 to terminate employee #887 effective 03/09/2021.

Motion 7 to enter into a real estate lease agreement with the NEIU Core Foundation at a cost of \$1 from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Motion 8. to enter into a sub-lease agreement with the NEIU Early Intervention program for a 3,000 square foot property for \$36,000 from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Motion 9 for all NEIU programs; an in-person instructional model which includes a parentally placed option for virtual delivery of instruction and /or related services.

Roll call vote **for consent block Motion 1-9, striking Motion 5B:** Mr. Muracco, yes; Mr. McIntosh, yes; Ms. Emiliani, yes; Mr. Yanochik, yes; Mr. Tewksbury, yes; Mr. Otway, yes; Atty. Malloy, yes; Ms. Lukus, yes; Dr. Kaczmarcik, yes; Ms. Jezuit, yes; Ms. Hudak, yes; Mr. Gershey, yes; Ms. Cook, yes; Atty. Cashuric, yes; Mr. Azar, yes.

Motion carried 15-0.

Motion 10 by Ms. Emiliani, seconded by Mr. McIntosh to approve the following employee request as indicated:

A. Request for Leave:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Type of Leave</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Angalene	EI Teacher	Uncompensated	03/02/2021-06/02/2021
Snipes	Assistant		

Roll call vote for **Motion 10:** Mr. Muracco, no; Mr. McIntosh, no; Ms. Emiliani, no; Mr. Yanochik, no; Mr. Tewksbury, no; Mr. Otway, no; Atty. Malloy, no; Ms. Lukus, no; Dr. Kaczmarcik, no; Ms. Jezuit, no; Ms. Hudak, no; Mr. Gershey, no; Ms. Cook, no; Atty. Cashuric, no; Mr. Azar, no.

Motion denied 15-0.

New Business: Mr. Muracco commented on the success of the COVID vaccine clinic held at NEIU 19, administration building.

Motion by Dr. Kaczmarcik, seconded by Mr. McIntosh, to adjourn the meeting and hold the next meeting on April 20, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the NEIU Administration Office, Archbald. All Directors voted yes and the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Note: All Exhibits are contained in the Supplemental Minutebook.

Respectfully submitted,



Mrs. Jessica Gilhooley
Board Secretary
Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit

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3/25/2021