

School Board Notes

The Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit Board of Directors held their regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 6:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Romasco, Mrs. Thompson, Mr. Miller, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Mowad, Mr. Inman, Mrs. Klessner, Mrs. Ceratti, Mr. Radevski and Mr. McGeehan

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ms. Gill, Mr. D'Itri, Mr. Blackwell and Mrs. Winterrowd

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Rosendale, Attorney Al Steff, Mrs. Niedbala, Mrs. Ference, Mrs. McKinley, Mrs. Harmotto, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Sanderbeck, Mrs. D'Amico, Mrs. Johnston and Mrs. Hartle

ACTION TAKEN:

1. The Board accepted the resignation of Ms. Paige Gould, Teacher Aide at New Horizon North, effective April 2, 2025.
2. The following additional staff were approved for the ESY Program:

Name	Position	Location
Brandon Glenn	Teacher	New Horizon School
Alyssa Quillin	Teacher	New Horizon School
Ashley Bliss	BCBA	New Horizon North
Savanna Allen	Paraprofessional	New Horizon North

3. The Board approved a request from the Hopewell Area School District to provide a Registered Behavior Technician for their Extended School Year Program.
4. Two (2) teachers, Ms. Jen Wallace and Ms. Ashley Dalton participated in a Unified Robotics Program through a partnership with the Beaver Area and Woodland Hills School Districts. The stipend that they received was paid out of a grant fund that we received.
5. An FMLA request was approved by the Board.
6. The Board approved that Amy Hartle, Educational Audiologist, attend the Educational Audiology Summer Conference.
7. The Board granted professional employee contracts to the following for completing three (3) years of satisfactory experience with the BVIU:
Lindsay Shansky
Lucia Fee
8. The Board approved the following new positions at New Horizon North for the 2025-2026 school year:
1 Multiple Disabilities Support Teacher
1 Autistic Support Teacher
4 Shared Aides
9. The following new positions were approved by the Board on an as needed basis for IBHS services for the 2025-2026 school year:
4 full-time BCABAs
12 part-time BCABAs
4 full-time BHT
20 part-time BHT

10. The Board approved the following new positions for Outpatient Services for the 2025-2026 school year:
 - 2 full-time Mental Health Professionals
 - 4 part-time Mental Health Professionals
 - 1 Receptionist/Medical Biller
 - 1 Psychiatrist
 - 1 Nurse Practitioner
 - 1 Benefits Coordinator
11. The Joint Purchasing paper bid was awarded to WB Mason for multipurpose copy paper and cardstock.
12. The Board approved a furniture purchase from WB Mason (formerly PEMCO) for Hopeful Minds Wellness Center.
13. An agreement with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit through the Pennsylvania Department of Education was approved for District and Comprehensive School Improvement.
14. An agreement with SitelogiQ was approved by the Board.
15. The following revised BVIU Policies were adopted by the Board:
 - 234 – Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students
 - 252 – Dating Violence
 - 339 – Uncompensated Leave
 - 824 – Maintaining Professional Adult/Student Boundaries

ADDENDUM ITEMS

16. The bid for a wall reinforcement and FRP panel project at New Horizon School was awarded to United Contractors, Inc.
17. The Board rejected the bid for the removal, replacement and installation of a new single panel operable wall partition at New Horizon School.
18. The Board approved an agreement with Western PA Behavioral Health Resources (WPABHR) to provide services of psychiatric health professionals for the Hopeful Minds Wellness Center Out Patient Services Program.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Dr. Rosendale discussed the agreement with Western PA Behavioral Health Resources. He stated that it's been a really good week. The parking lot at Hopeful Minds Wellness Center has been paved and the final walk through has been done.

Dr. Rosendale reminded everyone that the May Board meeting will be on Tuesday, May 20, 2025 due to the PAIU Conference.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Mr. Steff stated that he has been extremely busy with contracts.

OTHER BUSINESS – Mrs. McKinley, Curriculum Director, updated the Board on the services that the Curriculum Department provides. She also talked about the community partnerships/Support of Leaders.

Mrs. Klessner informed the Board that she shared Buddy's story on the radio.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric G. Rosendale

Dr. Eric G. Rosendale
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