

AGENDA

Meeting #590 – Wednesday, July 22, 2026
Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit, Board Room 211, 6:30 PM
Presiding Officer: Mr. Ronald Miller

1. Roll Call

Board Members

School District	Representative	Present	Absent
Aliquippa	Ms. Gill	☐	☐
Ambridge Area	Mrs. Romasco	☐	☐
Beaver Area	Mrs. Thompson	☐	☐
Big Beaver Falls Area	Mr. Miller	☐	☐
Blackhawk	Mr. VanZalinge	☐	☐
Central Valley	Mr. Mowad	☐	☐
Freedom Area	Mr. Inman	☐	☐
Hopewell Area	Mrs. Klessner	☐	☐
Midland	Mr. D'Itri	☐	☐
New Brighton Area	Mrs. Ceratti	☐	☐
Riverside Beaver County	Mr. Hunter	☐	☐
Rochester Area	Mr. Blackwell	☐	☐
South Side Area	Mrs. Marino	☐	☐
Western Beaver County	Mrs. Hanes	☐	☐

Staff Members

Staff Member	Present	Absent
Dr. Rosendale	☐	☐
Attorney Steff	☐	☐
Mrs. Niedbala	☐	☐
Mrs. Fenton	☐	☐
Mrs. Ference	☐	☐
Dr. Guzie	☐	☐
Mr. Huwar	☐	☐
Mrs. Johnston	☐	☐
Mrs. Leiper	☐	☐
Mrs. McKinley	☐	☐
Mr. Rodgers	☐	☐
Mr. Sanderbeck	☐	☐

2. Pledge of Allegiance**3. Adoption of the Agenda**

A. Intermediate Unit

Background Information: The packet containing the proposed agenda and related materials was mailed to each Board member.

Staff Recommendation: "that the Board adopt the agenda and related materials as presented."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

4. Board President

"Are there any public comments on agenda items only?"

5. Approval of Minutes

Background Information: The minutes from the June 24, 2026 meeting were mailed to each Board Member.

Staff Recommendation: "that the above request be approved as presented."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

6. Treasurer's Report**A. Intermediate Unit**

Background Information: Authorization is requested for the Administration to pay the necessary bills for the month of July to be ratified at the August 26, 2026 Board meeting.

Staff Recommendation: "that the above request be approved as presented."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

B. Beaver County School Health Insurance Consortium:

Background Information: Provided for your review and approved for the Insurance Consortium:

Financial Report for month ending June, 2026
No meeting in July

Staff Recommendation: "that the Financial Report of the Beaver County School Health Care Consortium be approved as presented."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

7. Personnel

A. IBHS

Background Information: It is recommended that Ms. Krystelle Fisher, Darlington, PA be employed part-time as a BHTABA, effective July 23, 2026. Salary to be set at \$22/hour for billable hours and \$11/hour for non-billable hours.

Staff Recommendation: "that the above request be approved as submitted."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

B. Intermediate Unit

Background Information: It is recommended that Mr. Javon Turner, Beaver Falls, PA be employed full-time as an Accounting Specialist, effective date July 28, 2026. Salary for this position is \$55,000/year.

Staff Recommendation: "that Mr. Turner be employed full-time as recommended."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

C. Special Pupil Services

Background Information: In order to fill the Health & Physical Education vacancy at New Horizon North, it is recommended that Mr. Jason Hummell, Transfer, PA be employed full-time effective August 17, 2026. Salary for this position is 85% of Step 1 Bachelor's, \$55,676/year.

Staff Recommendation: "that Mr. Hummel be employed full-time as recommended."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

D. Special Pupil Services

Background Information: In order to fill the Elementary Special Education Teacher vacancy at New Horizon North, it is recommended that Ms. Michelle McKnight, Portersville, PA be employed full-time, effective August 17, 2026. Salary for this position is 85% of Step 1 Bachelor's, \$55,676/year.

Staff Recommendation: "that Ms. McKnight be employed full-time as recommended."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

E. Special Pupil Services

Background Information: In order to fill the Registered Behavior Technician vacancy at New Horizon North, it is recommended that Ms. Kim Pickstone, Sharon, PA be employed full-time, effective August 17, 2026. Salary for this position is \$24,000/year.

Staff Recommendation: "that Ms. Pickstone be employed full-time as recommended."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

F. Out-Patient Services

Background Information: In order to fill the Mental Health Professional vacancy in the Out-Patient Services program, it is recommended that Mr. Corey Rider, Warren, OH be employed full-time, effective date to be determined. Salary for the position is \$48,500.

Staff Recommendation: "that Mr. Corey Rider be employed full-time as recommended."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

G. Out-Patient Services

Background Information: It is recommended that Ms. Mandi Rea's status as a part-time Mental Health Professional be changed to full-time effective date to be determined. Salary for this position is \$48,500.

Staff Recommendation: "that the above request be approved as presented."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

H. Out-Patient Services

Background Information: At the June 24, 2026 Board of Directors' meeting Mr. William Forbes was approved as a part-time Mental Health Professional. Authorization is requested to change his status to full-time, effective date to be determined. Salary for this position is \$48,500.

Staff Recommendation: "that the above request be approved as presented."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

8. Procurement Cards

A. Intermediate Unit

Background Information: Authorization is requested to add Mrs. Shannon Fenton to the list of staff members accessing a Procurement Card and to remove Mrs. Chelsie D'Amico.

Staff Recommendation: "that the above request be approved as presented."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

9. Civil Rights Compliance Requirements

A. Out-Patient Services

Background Information: All Department of Human Services licensed providers are required to ensure employment in a nondiscriminatory manner. Authorization is requested to sign and submit the Civil Rights Compliance forms and necessary attachments for the initial licensing application process. The BVIU will be required to complete this annually as part of the licensing renewal process.

Staff Recommendation: "that the above request be approved as presented."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

10. Personnel, Extended School Year

A. Special Pupil Services

Background Information: The following staff member is needed to work the ESY Program at New Horizon School:

Name	Position
Megan Paich	Speech Therapist

Staff Recommendation: “that the ESY staffing be approved as presented.”

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

11. Fund-Raising Activity

A. Special Pupil Services

Background Information: The following is a fund-raising activity for the 2026-2027 for Board review and approval:

Event	Sponsor	Date of Event
Wing Bash	PBIS Team at New Horizon School	September 20, 2026

Staff Recommendation: “that the above request be approved as submitted.”

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

12. New Position

A. Special Pupil Services

Background Information: The administration is requesting authorization to employ an additional secretary for the Early Intervention program to handle the additional workload associated with the growth of the program. The additional secretary will help ensure the continued efficiency, accuracy, and timeliness of administrative support for the program. Funding for this position will come from the Early Intervention funds.

Staff Recommendation: “that the above position be approved as recommended.”

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

13. CharacterStrong LLC

A. Special Pupil Services

Background Information: Mrs. Niedbala has secured a three-year grant to finance the purchase of a Social-Emotional curriculum for New Horizon School from CharacterStrong LLC. The contractor has submitted a Data Protection document which will govern the handling of all data.

Staff Recommendation: "that the Board approve the Data Protection document submitted by CharacterStrong LLC in connection with the purchase of curriculum services."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

14. Contract Service Agreements

A. Intermediate Unit

Background Information: Authorization is requested to renew the contract with Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams to provide legal support in the complicated and ever-changing legal landscape that surrounds technology in an educational setting. Currently, there are ten (10) school entities including the Beaver County CTC and the BVIU that would like to participate in this service.

Staff Recommendation: "that the agreement with Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams be renewed as presented."

Board Action Required: Approval of Staff Recommendation.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.

15. Addendum**16. Correspondence****17. Executive Director's Report****18. Solicitor's Report****19. Other Business****20. Board President**

"Are there any public comments from visitors?"

21. Adjournment

Motion by _____, seconded by _____.