



MCIU HIGHLIGHTS

AN UPDATE FROM OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

November 18, 2015 Board Actions

BOARD BUSINESS

- Approved the minutes from the September 30, 2015 MCIU Board Meeting.
- Approved the second reading and adoption of the following new and revised policies:

POLICY #	TITLE
333	Professional Development (Revised)
346	Workers' Compensation Insurance (New)
347	Workers' Compensation Transitional Return to Work Program (New)
602	Budget Planning (Revised)
- Acknowledged the first reading of the following new policy:

POLICY #	TITLE
801	Public Records (New)

BUDGET APPROVALS, BUDGET TRANSFERS & FINANCIAL AUDIT

- Approved the proposed increases to the 2015-2016 Transportation Services and the 2015-2016 Technology Services Fee Based budgets.
- Approved the list of 2014-2015 budgetary transfers necessary to make year-end adjustments.
- Approved the list of 2015-2016 budgetary transfers.
- Accepted the 2014-2015 financial statements as audited by Maillie.

VOLUNTEER INDUCTION PROFESSIONALS

- Approved Jennifer Robins as a Volunteer Induction Professional (VIP) for Megan Bertele for the one year induction process.

CONTRACTS & SERVICE AGREEMENTS

- Authorized contract agreements with Cardinal O'Hara High School; Lane Montessori School; Torah Academy; Borough of Pottstown; Ear, Nose & Throat Associates; Monsignor Bonner & Archbishop Prendergast High School; Montgomery County Community College; PA School for the Deaf; St. Charles Seminary; and the School District of Upper Dublin for the purpose of fingerprinting services.
- Authorized contract agreements with the School District of Upper Dublin and Lower Merion School District for the purpose of temporary staffing services.
- Authorized sub-grant agreements for implementation of Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act-B (IDEA) Use of Funds Agreement with Bryn Athyn, Pottstown and Upper Dublin School Districts.
- Authorized sub-grant agreements for implementation of Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act 619 (IDEA) Use of Funds Agreement with Upper Dublin and Upper Moreland School Districts.
- Approved a lease agreement with the Abington School District for the purpose of operating two Head Start classrooms.
- Authorized a Memorandum of Understanding with the Family Services of Montgomery County to sponsor a Foster Grandparent Program for the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit Head Start program.
- Authorized a Memorandum of Understanding with the Reading Families Program Collaboration RSVP to promote reading and school readiness for the children of the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit Head Start program.
- Authorized the appropriate officers to declare a list of equipment surplus/obsolete.



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- Authorized the acceptance of Title I funds from Lower Merion School District to operate their Title I reading and/or math programs for students in nonpublic schools.
- Authorized a 10 year lease agreement between the MCIU and 333 Technology Drive Associates, LLC, c/o Pennmark Management Company, Inc. for the facility located at 333 Technology Drive in Malvern to house PaTTAN operations.
- Authorized a contract with the Central Susquehanna and Lincoln Intermediate Units, LW Educational Consultants, and Lancaster, Pennridge, and Penn-Delco School Districts to provide support and guidance for the continuation of development and implementation of Project MAX.
- Authorized a contract with Brenda Eagan Brown of the Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania to present on various dates.
- Authorized a contract with Marlene Schechter to present at the “2015 Educational Interpreter Weekend with the Expert”.
- Authorized a contract with the Arin Intermediate Unit 28 to provide support for the continuation of development and implementation of Project Max.
- Authorized a contract with Schuylkill Haven Area School District, Sunrise School, Review IU 6, Colonial IU 20, and Chester County IU 24 to provide support for data submission for Cohort 1 and Cohort 2 teams in their third year of Project MAX.
- Authorized a contract with the Special Olympics Pennsylvania (SOPA) to provide support to the SOPA Interscholastic Unified Sports Program.
- Authorized contracts with various presenters to present at the PDE Conference in February 2016.
- Authorized contracts with various presenters who presented at the Unified English Braille Take 2 Training in October 2015.
- Authorized a contract with Maribeth Zeleski to be videotaped in October 2015 to provide an ASL accessible introduction for two portions of the Pennsylvania Transition Guide website.
- Approved professional development training agreements with the Methacton School District.
- Approved a professional development training agreement with the Lower Moreland Township School District for two 3-hour sessions on using Schoology.
- Approved a professional development training agreement with the North Penn School District for CORE Literary Essentials.
- Approved a professional development training agreement with the Upper Perkiomen School District for Consultation, Development and Implementation: District Elementary ELA Balanced Literacy Framework.
- Authorized service agreements with Pottsgrove and Upper Perkiomen School Districts for the Montgomery Virtual Program (MVP).
- Approved a professional development training agreement with Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School for a STEM Presentation to their Board of Directors and teaching staff.
- Authorized a service agreement with Vanessa Prince to fulfill the contractual Hybrid Learning services with Spring-Ford School District.
- Authorized a service agreement with Richard Kiker to present Google Educator certification boot camp to educators.
- Authorized a service agreement with the Wissahickon School District for consultation and development for district administrators, elementary reading specialists and literacy coaches.
- Authorized a service agreement with the Spring-Ford Area School District for Literacy Professional Development for 7th and 8th grade Reading and English teachers.



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- Authorized a service agreement with Agolino Educational Services, Inc. for the course on classroom based interventions for students with emotional and behavioral disorders.
- Authorized a service agreement with the School District of Upper Dublin to provide Train the Trainer (TtT) Model.
- Authorized a service agreement with the Lower Moreland Township School District to provide training to teachers on Google Drive/Docs and Google Classroom.
- Authorized a service agreement with the School District of Springfield Township for Instructional Coaching to High School-Co-teaching Teams.
- Authorized a service agreement with Hatboro-Horsham and Perkiomen Valley School Districts to participate in The Virtual High School (VHS) for consortium for the 2015-2016 school year.
- Authorized a contract with Lisa Bruder of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt to present to district literacy leaders.
- Authorized a consultant contract for early intervention provider services with Yellow Brick Road, Inc.
- Authorized a consultant contract with Amanda Hestness, registered dietician, for services to the Head Start program.
- Authorized a subcontract agreement with the Eastern Center for Arts and Technology for Vocational Evaluation Services.
- Authorized a contract with Souderton Area School District for provision of temporary workers.
- Authorized a service agreement with Green Wood Charter School for a 20 hour networking support block.
- Authorized a service agreement with the School District of Jenkintown for a 20 hour PowerSchool support block.
- Authorized service agreements with Colonial School District for 40 Hour PowerSchool End User support and customizations/development and an additional 40 Hour PowerSchool End User agreement.
- Authorized an addendum to the service agreement with Ancillae-Assumpta Academy to increase their bandwidth capacity from 150 MB to 200 MB.
- Authorized a service agreement with ePlus Technology for a consulting services contract.
- Authorized service agreements with Perkiomen Valley School District to provide Pennsylvania Information Management System (PIMS) on-site support services and technology consulting services.
- Approved a service agreement with the Evangelical Seminary for the Discounted Moodle Basic Service.
- Approved a service agreement with the Spring-Ford Area School District for a Single Sign-On Application.

NOVEMBER 18, 2015 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE – Dr. John J. George

- Election Results: Dr. George congratulated board members on the success of the recent election and announced that there will be no turnover on the MCIU Board of Directors as a result of the election.
- Audit Results: Eric Gooding from Maillie provided a brief overview of 2014-15 audited financial statements. No issues were noted. Dr. George recognized members of the Business Office staff for this clean audit.
- PaTTAN Facility: Ann Hinkson-Herrmann presented on an action item on tonight's agenda requesting board approval of a 10 year lease agreement to house PaTTAN operations at a facility located at 333 Technology Drive in Malvern. Current building conditions and needs were addressed during this presentation as well as an overview of the proposed site.



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- PSBA Budget Action Day: Dr. George and Tina Viletto joined a group of Montgomery County superintendents and board members in Harrisburg on Monday, November 16th, to address budget concerns with legislators.
- PAIU Day on the Hill: On Tuesday, November 17th, Dr. George, Tina Viletto and Dr. Lois Robinson joined staff from other intermediate units throughout the state in Harrisburg to focus on increased funding for the Preschool Early Intervention program. Dr. George noted that there has been no financial increase to this program in over five years. Of particular note, Dr. Robinson was the key presenter to the legislators on behalf of the group.
- Staffing Updates: Dr. George introduced Dr. Brittany Lourea-Waddell, who has been promoted to the position of Assistant Director in the Office of Student Services; and Lynne Boro, who has been hired to fill the position of Supervisor of Financial Services in the Office of Business Services. Dr. George also provided a financial summary of positions filled to date for 2015-16. He noted that good progress has been made on the goal to secure highly qualified candidates with high character while remaining fiscally responsible.
- MCIU Website: The work to update the MCIU website is complete, and a new website has been recently launched. Jennifer Wenger from the Office of the Executive Director has conceptualized and designed the new website.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 16, 2015 MCIU New Board Member Workshop
- January 27, 2016 Next MCIU Board Meeting