

MONTGOMERY COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT BOARD MINUTES

1. Call to Order

President David Hasiuk called the meeting to order at 7:59 p.m. on February 28, 2007.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

David A. Hasiuk, President, Upper Moreland Township	Present
S. Troy Miller, Vice President, Perkiomen Valley	Present
Cedric McKeever, Secretary, Lower Moreland Township	Present
Marie A. Knox, Treasurer, Upper Merion Area	Present
Dr. Russel S. Bleiler, Hatboro-Horsham	Absent
Joseph Chmielewski, Upper Dublin	Present
Tracy G. Cole, Souderton Area	Present
Boo Crofton, Wissahickon	Absent
Diane DiBonaventuro, Lower Merion Area	Absent
Malcolm Gran, Springfield Township	Present
John S. Grispon, Spring-Ford Area	Present
Robert H. Hartman, Jr., Pottstown	Present
Marc Lieberon, Cheltenham	Present
Vicki J. Lightcap, Upper Perkiomen	Absent
Jeannette Maitin, Abington	Present
Margaret M. Martinez, Methacton	Absent
Ted Miller, Jenkintown	Present
Janice Pearce, Norristown Area	Absent
Thayer Pendleton, Bryn Athyn	Absent
Vincent Sherpinsky, North Penn	Absent
Gordon Whitlock, Pottsgrove	Present
Mitch Zimmer, Colonial	Absent

Others

Dr. Jerry W. Shiveley, Executive Director	Present
Jeffrey Sultanik, Solicitor	Present

4. Approval of Minutes of January 24, 2007

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Troy Miller and seconded by Mr. Ted Miller that the Intermediate Unit Board approve the minutes of the January 24, 2007 board meeting as corrected. Correction: the notice of the February meeting date should have been listed as February 28, 2007 not February 21, 2007.

Motion passed unanimously

5. Public Comments on Agenda Items

Mr. Hasiuk asked if there were any public comments regarding agenda items. Since there were none, the board proceeded with the agenda.

6. Approval of Bills as Included in the Treasurer's Report

Ms. Knox presented the January Treasurer's Report to the Board. The cash balance as of January 31, 2007 was \$29,943,989.17.

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Knox and seconded by Mr. Troy Miller that the Intermediate Unit Board approve the January Treasurer's Report and the payment of bills.

Motion passed unanimously.

7. Personnel Report

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Whitlock and seconded by Mr. Chmielewski that the Intermediate Unit Board approve the personnel recommendations listed as Item 2.

Motion passed unanimously.

8. Second Reading and Approval of Proposed 2007/2008 Special Education Budget

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Whitlock and seconded by Mr. Ted Miller that the Intermediate Unit Board approve the Proposed 2007-2008 Special Education Budget.

Motion passed unanimously.

9. Reports of Staff

a. Dr. Jeanmarie Mason

Dr. Mason highlighted the successes of Special Education staff members Daniel Deegan and Darlene Anderson and Anderson School graduate, Jason Peyton. Dr. Mason also announced that the IU's Early Intervention Manager, Cheryl Ranck just received her doctorate.

b. Mr. Stan Wisler

Mr. Wisler asked for approval on the following action item:

2006/2007 Budget Revision

The administration requests Board approval to revise the 2006/2007 Act 89 and Title I budgets. This process is done annually to reflect the changes that occur in state allocation, Title I contracts, and earned interest. The revision reflects the final staffing levels and all planned expenditures for the current year. Previous Board action was May 24, 2006.

**Non-Public School Services Budget
Revised 2006-2007**

REVENUE

	06/07 Approved Budget	06/07 Revised Budget	\$ Incr/(Decr)	% Incr/(Decr)
Act 89 Allocation	\$ 9,666,588	\$ 9,764,535	\$ 97,947	1.0%
Interest Earnings	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ -	0.0%
Soc Sec - state share	\$ 271,225	\$ 269,684	\$ (1,541)	-0.6%
Retire - state share	\$ 237,978	\$ 235,432	\$ (2,546)	-1.1%
Title I - district contracts	\$ 137,112	\$ 145,145	\$ 8,033	5.9%
Soc Sec - state share (Title I)	\$ 3,774	\$ 3,450	\$ (324)	-8.6%
Retire - state share (Title I)	\$ 2,933	\$ 2,913	\$ (20)	-0.7%
Total	\$ 10,469,610	\$ 10,571,159	\$ 101,549	1.0%

EXPENSE SUMMARY

	06/07 Approved Budget	06/07 Revised Budget	\$ Incr/(Decr)	% Incr/(Decr)
100 Salaries	\$ 7,483,379	\$ 7,377,174	\$ (106,205)	-1.4%
200 Employee Benefits	\$ 2,375,427	\$ 2,303,520	\$ (71,907)	-3.0%
300 Contracted Prof & Tech Svcs	\$ 191,000	\$ 218,500	\$ 27,500	14.4%
400 Purchased Property Svcs	\$ 165,240	\$ 170,456	\$ 5,216	3.2%
500 Other Purchased Services	\$ 97,700	\$ 121,100	\$ 23,400	24.0%
600 Supplies	\$ 120,364	\$ 244,909	\$ 124,545	103.5%
700 Equipment	\$ 18,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 62,000	344.4%
800 Other Objects	\$ 8,500	\$ 9,500	\$ 1,000	11.8%
900 Other Financing Uses	\$ 10,000	\$ 46,000	\$ 36,000	360.0%
Total	\$ 10,469,610	\$ 10,571,159	\$ 101,549	1.0%

PROGRAM

	06/07 Approved Budget	06/07 Revised Budget	\$ Incr/(Decr)	% Incr/(Decr)
100 Salaries	\$ 7,026,435	\$ 6,896,954	\$ (129,481)	-1.8%
200 Employee Benefits	\$ 2,224,448	\$ 2,154,209	\$ (70,239)	-3.2%
300 Contracted Prof & Tech Svcs	\$ 187,500	\$ 215,000	\$ 27,500	14.7%
400 Purchased Property Svcs	\$ 155,181	\$ 160,397	\$ 5,216	3.4%
500 Other Purchased Services	\$ 84,000	\$ 104,600	\$ 20,600	24.5%
600 Supplies	\$ 105,864	\$ 215,596	\$ 109,732	103.7%
700 Equipment	\$ 16,000	\$ 78,000	\$ 62,000	387.5%

800	Other Objects	\$	8,000	\$	9,000	\$	1,000	12.5%
900	Other Financing Uses	\$	10,000	\$	46,000	\$	36,000	360.0%
Total		\$	9,817,428	\$	9,879,756	\$	62,328	0.6%

ADMINISTRATIVE

		06/07		06/07				
		Approved	Revised	\$	%			
		Budget	Budget	Incr/(Decr)	Incr/(Decr)			
100	Salaries	\$	366,944	\$	390,042	\$	23,098	6.3%
200	Employee Benefits	\$	110,860	\$	116,794	\$	5,934	5.4%
300	Contracted Prof & Tech Svcs	\$	3,500	\$	3,500	\$	-	0.0%
400	Purchased Property Svcs	\$	7,059	\$	7,059	\$	-	0.0%
500	Other Purchased Services	\$	13,000	\$	14,500	\$	1,500	11.5%
600	Supplies	\$	4,500	\$	5,500	\$	1,000	22.2%
700	Equipment	\$	2,000	\$	2,000	\$	-	0.0%
800	Other Objects	\$	500	\$	500	\$	-	0.0%
900	Other Financing Uses	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Total		\$	508,363	\$	539,895	\$	31,532	6.2%

TITLE I

		06/07		06/07				
		Approved	Revised	\$	%			
		Budget	Budget	Incr/(Decr)	Incr/(Decr)			
100	Salaries	\$	90,000	\$	90,178	\$	178	0.2%
200	Employee Benefits	\$	40,119	\$	32,517	\$	(7,602)	-18.9%
300	Contracted Prof & Tech Svcs	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
400	Purchased Property Svcs	\$	3,000	\$	3,000	\$	-	0.0%
500	Other Purchased Services	\$	700	\$	2,000	\$	1,300	185.7%
600	Supplies	\$	10,000	\$	23,813	\$	13,813	138.1%
700	Equipment	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
800	Other Objects	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
900	Other Financing Uses	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Total		\$	143,819	\$	151,508	\$	7,689	5.3%

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Troy Miller and seconded by Mr. Whitlock that the Intermediate Unit Board approve the Non-Public School Services 2006-2007 Budget Revision.

Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Wisler reported that the 2005-2006 local audit will be reviewed by the Finance Committee at their March meeting and the Board will be asked to take action on it at the March Board meeting.

c. Dr. Sharon Richardson

Dr. Richardson reported that Governor Rendell unveiled an ambitious 2007-08 Commonwealth budget, introducing increases in six areas. The proposed budget includes a 3.5% increase in the basic education subsidy, a 3% increase in Special Education and a 3% increase in career and technical education as well as community college operating costs.

d. Mrs. Gail Kennedy

Mrs. Kennedy reported that with the change in Daylight Savings Time to March 11, 2007, computers and other devices will be impacted. The TIS division is working with the schools to minimize the problems. Not included in the Board report, but highlighted at the meeting was the Pottstown Middle School's participation in the Megaconference, Jr. held at the MCIU. The Polycom videoconferencing unit provided the interface to link the presentation to the rest of the world.

e. Dr. Robert Shields

Dr. Shields reported that the Academic Competition was held at the MCIU on February 26, 2007. Cheltenham, Upper Dublin and The Haverford School competed in the finals, with Haverford and Upper Dublin ending in a tie. Haverford took the prize in a sudden death round of competition. Dr. Shields announced that the Montgomery County Science Teachers' Association will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Montgomery County Science Research Competition in March. County public, private and parochial schools will participate.

f. Mrs. Elizabeth Weber

Mrs. Weber reported that students from 17 public and non-public schools participated in the second annual Tobacco Prevention Commercial Contest. The winner of the competition will be announced on March 9, 2007.

g. Dr. Janet Sloand

Dr. Sloand's report included information on the PaTTAN staff's involvement in the implementation of the Gaskin Settlement Agreement through the use of training and technical assistance. Dr. Sloand said that she was pleased to inform the Board that Barbara Monley, Educational Consultant with PaTTAN for MCIU was recognized as a Black History Month honoree.

h. Mrs. Laurie Smith Wood

In addition to her written report, Mrs. Smith Wood informed the Board that the IU has been working with the school district superintendents to create a white paper on School Safety. The end result will be an action plan to share with parents, the community and legislators.

10. Spotlight on an MCIU Division – Human Resources - Mrs. Jane Mansuy

Mrs. Mansuy's gave an update on teacher certifications and the issues surrounding Highly Qualified Teachers (HQT).

11. Report of the Solicitor

Mr. Sultanik had no report.

12. Report of the Executive Director

Dr. Shiveley informed the Board members that the IU is hosting a workshop entitled, "Leading by Design" on March 27, 2007. Grant Wiggins, a leading expert on assessments, along with Jay McTighe are the presenters.

Dr. Shiveley is one of two Intermediate Unit Executive Directors appointed to serve on the newly formed Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL) planning committee, one purpose of which is to facilitate a coherent transition for the birth to age 3 and age 3 to school age groups.

Dr. Shiveley also brought attention to the Philadelphia Inquirer article handout on Congressman Sestak's recently held Education Summit.

13. Report of Board Committees

President Hasiuk reported that an Executive Session was held prior to the regular board meeting to discuss real estate matters. In addition, Mr. Hasiuk announced that there will be a Finance Committee meeting at 6:45 p.m. prior to the March 28th board meeting and that he will be calling an Executive Committee meeting to discuss the process to replace himself as Board president.

14. Old Business

There was no old business.

15. New Business

There was no new business.

16. Additional Public Comments

There were no additional public comments.

17. The date of the next Intermediate Unit Board Meeting will be **March 28, 2007, West Norriton Conference Room B3/B4 at 7:45 p.m.**

18. Adjournment

Upon a motion by Mrs. Maitin and seconded by Mr. Ted Miller the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.