

DUNMORE SCHOOL DISTRICT

**REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 15, 2023**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Dunmore Board of School Directors was held **Wednesday, March 15, at 6:00pm** in the High School Cafeteria. The Work Session was held **Monday, March 13, at 6:00pm** in the Board Room. Mr. Kranick presided.

I. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS

MR. BUTLER	PRESENT
MR. COLEMAN	PRESENT
MR. HALLINAN	PRESENT
MR. HUNT	PRESENT
MR. KRANICK	PRESENT
MS. LIBASSI	PRESENT
MS. MCDONOUGH	PRESENT
MR. MCHALE	NOT PRESENT
MR. MURACCO	PRESENT

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Marichak, Mrs. Lopatka, Atty. Matthew Dempsey –Not present

*** **PUBLIC DISCUSSION** – None

II. APPROVED MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Butler seconded by Mr. Muracco to approve the MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of February 15, 2023.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Motion by Mr. Hallinan seconded by Ms. McDonough that permission be granted to Following for the use of District facilities/equipment:

1. Jog for Jude use of parking lots on 4/22/23 at 6:30pm.
2. Cheerleading fundraisers two (2); April 6th Kids Night 5:30pm to 8:30pm and Cheer Camp 6/15 & 6/16/23 from 10:00am to 1:00pm in DHS Gym.
3. Scranton Prep use of our Campus for home Football games for the 2023-2024 School year.

The use of District facilities is subject to the conditions established by the Dunmore School District and may not conflict with any regularly scheduled activity.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

III. OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

- B. Motion by Mr. Butler seconded by Mr. Hallinan to approve the Marjon Golf Course for Golf Team.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**
- C. Motion by Mr. Hunt seconded by Ms. Libassi to approve Agreement with NEIU#19 to establish a Flight Team.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**

IV. PERSONNEL

- A. Motion by Mr. Muracco seconded by Mr. Hunt to accept the Personnel Reports.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**
- B. Motion by Mr. Muracco seconded by Mr. Hunt to accept resignation from Nicole Pizzola, Assistant Crimsonette/Cheerleader Advisor effective immediately.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**
- C. Motion by Mr. Hallinan seconded by Ms. McDonough to accept resignation from Michael Perry, Weightlifting Coach effective immediately.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**
- D. Motion by Mr. Hunt seconded by Mr. Hallinan to accept letter of retirement from Sheri Healey, Clerical Aide effective June 8, 2023.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**
- E. Motion Ms. Libassi seconded by Mr. Hallinan to appoint Cory Mizenko, Volunteer Jr. High Baseball Coach.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**
- F. Motion by Mr. Coleman seconded by Mr. Hallinan to appoint Nolan Trently, Volunteer JV Baseball Coach.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**
- G. Motion by Mr. Muracco seconded by Mr. Hallinan to appoint Kim Marchese, Volunteer Track Coach.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**
- H. Motion by Ms. Libassi seconded by Mr. Muracco to appoint Jennifer Dolphin, Volunteer Dunmore Elementary Running Club.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**
- I. Motion by Mr. Hallinan seconded by Mr. Coleman to appoint Greg Lukasik, Volunteer Varsity Baseball Coach.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**
- J. Motion by Mr. Hallinan seconded by Mr. Muracco to appoint Fall Coaches for 2023. For Job description and employment terms, please inquire to the Office of the Superintendent. (See attached list)**

V. EDUCATION

- A. Motion by Mr. Butler seconded by Mr. Coleman to expulsion of Student ID#6516797285.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**
- B. Motion by Mr. Butler seconded by Ms. McDonough to approve 8th Grade Dinner dance On May 19, 2023 at Bouna Vita.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**
- C. Motion by Mr. Coleman seconded by Mr. Hallinan to update Policies; 137 Home Education Program, 137.1 Extra-Curricular Participation in High School, 137.2 Participation in Cocurricular Activities and Academic Courses Home Education Students & 137.3 Participation in Career and Technical Education Programs by Home Education Students.
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR**

FALL COACHING POSITIONS

BOYS HEAD SOCCER COACH – TOM CLARK

BOYS ASSISTANT SOCCER COACH – JOHN JOSEPH

GIRLS HEAD SOCCER COACH – NOAH BARTON

GIRLS ASSISTANT SOCCER COACH - NONE

ASSISTANT FOOTBALL COACHES – DAMON BOWEN

MIKE BURKE

JACK MILES

MIKE BARRETT

MIKE PERRY

ASSISTANT TENNIS COACH – NONE

GIRLS HEAD VOLLEYBALL COACH – SUE DEMPSEY

GIRLS ASSISTANT VOLLEYBALL COACH – TREVOR HOLMES

GOLF COACH – CHRISTOPHER MURRAY

BOYS/GIRLS VARSITY & JR. HIGH CROSS COUNTRY COACH – WILLIAM O'MALLEY

CRIMSONETTE/CHEERLEADER ADVISOR – MAURA REILLY

CRIMSONETTE/CHEERLEADER ASSISTANT ADVISOR – MOLLY MCCAFFERTY

BAND ASSISTANT – KAREN LOSSEY BROWN

ASSISTANT DRAMA DIRECTOR – DANA JACKSON

VII. FINANCE

- A. Motion by Mr. Muracco seconded by Mr. Hunt to approve the following payrolls:
2/17/23 & 3/3/23;

2/17/23	\$424,642.94
3/3/23	<u>\$445,215.37</u>
	\$869,858.31

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

- B. Motion by Mr. Butler seconded by Mr. Hunt to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month(s) of FEBRUARY 2023.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

- C. Motion by Mr. Hunt seconded by Mr. Muracco to approve LIST OF BILLS;
\$282,537.79.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

- D. Motion by Mr. Coleman seconded by Mr. Muracco to accept Activities Reports for month(s) of FEBRUARY 2023.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

- E. Motion by Mr. Hallinan seconded by Mr. Hunt to Wage Tax-Collector's Reports for month (s) of FEBRUARY 2023.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

- F. Motion by Mr. Butler seconded by Mr. Hallinan to accept Audit Report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, as completed by Murphy, Dougherty and Company. Mr. Kranick thanked Mr. Murphy for his thorough job.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

- G. Motion by Mr. Coleman seconded by Mr. Muracco to renew Cyber Liability Policy Effective 2/24/23 – 2/24/23 at a cost of \$11,650.49. (Increase of \$1,704.49 from prior Year) Cummings Insurance is the broker.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

- H. Motion by Mr. Hunt seconded by Ms. Libassi to approve the attached resolution for the NEIU#19 general operating budget for 2023-2024 in the amount of \$19,920.91. (Increase of \$2,260.59 from prior year)

- I. Motion by Ms. Libassi seconded by Ms. McDonough to enter into a Dual Credit Agreement with The Pennsylvania State University.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

- J. Motion by Mr. Muracco seconded by Mr. Hallinan to approve Capital Project Payments;

Becker & Frondorf	\$3,400.00
CM3 Building Solutions	\$74,684.10

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

- K. Motion by Mr. Coleman seconded by Mr. Hunt to approve CSIU- Service Agreement For the 2023-2024 School Year for Accounting Software for a flat fee of \$1,630 plus \$11.83 per hour Student for Fund Accounting, Human Resources and Payroll Modules.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

- L. Motion by Mr. Kranick seconded by Mr. Muracco to approve contract with Interim Health Care for Speech Language Pathologist cost \$150.00 per hour. Mr. Marichak Checking on Lehigh Valley Health to see if that contract will add Speech Services.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

- M. Motion by Mr. Butler seconded by Mr. Hunt to approve Special Education Settlement Agreement file #8530354044.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

RESOLUTION

CONCERNING INTERMEDIATE UNIT BUDGET

Section 914-A (6) (i) Act 102 of 1970, requires that the Intermediate Unit budget shall be approved by "at least a majority of the school districts comprising the Intermediate Unit."

At a meeting on March 15, 2023, by a vote of

8 to 0 with 0 abstaining and 1 absent, as recorded in

the minutes, the members of the Board of Directors of

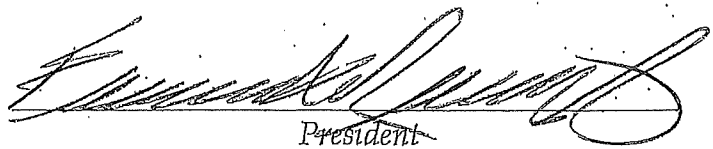
Dunmore,

a member of

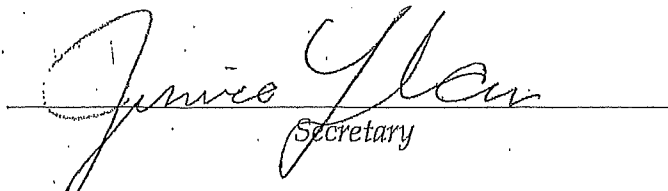
Northeastern Educational Intermediate Unit 19,

approved ✓ or disapproved _____ the budget of the Intermediate
(check one)

Unit for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.


President

Attest:


Secretary

SEAL

Instructions: Each school district will file one copy of this form with the intermediate unit office and it shall be made part of the intermediate unit budget file to confirm compliance with Section 914-A (6) (i) Act 102 of 1970.

DUAL CREDIT AFFILIATION AGREEMENT
COMMONWEALTH CAMPUSES

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into as of the date of the last signature (the "Effective Date") by and between The Pennsylvania State University, a state-related institution and instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ("University"), and Dunmore ("School District").

WHEREAS, University offers dual credit coursework (the "Program") to certain qualified high school students and School District desires to make the Program available to its students; and

WHEREAS, For any dual credit programs, Pennsylvania law requires school entities to enter into agreements with institutions of higher education and this agreement outlines the requirements required under **24 Pa. Stat. § 15-1525**

WHEREAS, the parties desire to define their roles and responsibilities with respect to the Program consistent with Pennsylvania law.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing recitals and the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties agree as follows:

1. Term and Termination.

- (a) Term. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and shall continue for a period of five (5) years. Upon the expiration of this Agreement, this Agreement shall automatically renew for successive twelve (12) month periods.
- (b) Termination of Agreement. This Agreement may be terminated by either party, with or without cause, at any time, upon sixty (60) days prior written notice to the other party; provided, however, that any student already enrolled and participating in dual credit coursework as of the effective date of termination shall be permitted to complete their then-current coursework.

2. Student Eligibility and Enrollment

Students who meet the following criteria are eligible to participate in the Program:

- (a) Students who have completed their 11th grade year or are currently in their 12th grade year of high school are eligible to enroll in the Program.
- (b) The student must submit an enrollment form, signed by the School District to the University campus where they plan to enroll, along with an official high school transcript.
- (c) Deadlines for Program applications are August 1 for fall semester, December 1 for spring semester, and June 1 for summer session.
- (d) Exceptions for underclass students are considered on a case-by-case basis. These students must submit the enrollment application, signed by the School District, a high school transcript and a letter or recommendation from the School District

to enrollment for any student seeking participation in the Program.

- (c) The School District will award credit for and recognize courses that are successfully completed under this Agreement as fulfilling the appropriate secondary school graduation requirements.
- (d) The University will award postsecondary credits to students who successfully complete courses in the Program. The University will apply these credits in the same manner as for other regularly enrolled University students.
- (e) If a Program student becomes a regularly enrolled student at the University following graduation from secondary school, the University shall recognize credits earned in the Program as applying toward the student's degree requirements as it would for any other regularly enrolled postsecondary student who took the courses.

6. Communication of Program

Both the University and the School District agree to provide a mechanism for communicating the educational and economic benefits of higher education as well as the requirements for participation and enrollment procedures outlined in this agreement to parents and students.

7. Additional Administrative Responsibilities

(a) Data Sharing

1. The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1972 ("FERPA"), 20 U.S.C. § 1232g and its implementing regulations allows student education records to be shared between the University and the School District without the need for signed releases from students or parents.
2. The Enrollment Management Office at the University campus will provide information on the following items to the School District:
 - The names of students enrolled in dual enrollment.
 - Courses that were taken by each student.
 - Grades earned by the student
3. The University will notify the School District of any mid-semester progress reports that indicate that a dual credit student is in risk of failing a course.

(b) Program Costs

1. Penn State University's tuition for courses available through the Program is updated annually and is publicly reported through Penn State's Tuition Calculator located at the University's Bursar website.
2. Students enrolled in the Program receive a tuition adjustment from the University that is equivalent to a 50% reduction of the in-state tuition rate. Students are responsible for paying all applicable student fees.
3. Students receiving the Penn State employee dependent tuition discount are not eligible for both

all required withholding, social security and other taxes or benefits on behalf of their respective employees.

- (b) Responsibility. Each party shall be responsible for its own acts and omissions, and those of its trustees, directors, officers, employees, and agents.
- (c) Notices. All notices, requests and other communications pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and sent by first class mail or email to each party to the following address, or by email:

UNIVERSITY:

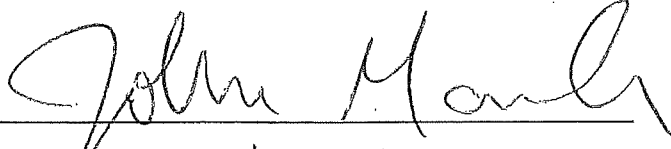
Terri Caputo
Office of Admissions
Penn State Scranton
120 Ridge View Drive
Dunmore, PA 18512
email: tnc2@psu.edu

SCHOOL DISTRICT:

John Marichak, Superintendent
Dunmore School District
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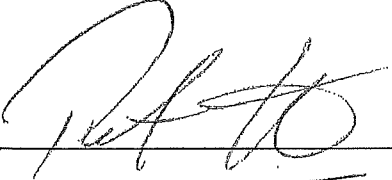
- (a) Entire Agreement. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous understandings, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may not be amended or modified except in a writing signed by both parties.
- (b) Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania without reference to its conflicts of laws principles.
- (c) Execution; Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and all of which together shall be deemed to be one and the same agreement or document. Signatures and signed copies of this Agreement transmitted by facsimile, email or other means of electronic transmission shall constitute effective execution and be deemed to have the same legal force and effect as delivery of an original executed copy of this Agreement for all purposes.
- (d) No Waiver. The failure of any party hereto to exercise any right, power or remedy provided under this Agreement or otherwise available in respect hereof at law or in equity, or to insist upon compliance by any other party hereto with its obligations hereunder, and any custom or practice of the parties at variance with the terms hereof, shall not constitute a waiver by such party of its right to exercise any such or other right, power or remedy or to demand such compliance.

For the School District:



Superintendent John Marichak


3/13/23
Date



High School Principal Timothy Hopkins

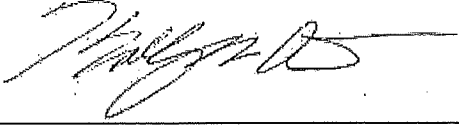
3/13/23
Date

For the University:



Marwan A. Wafa, Chancellor
Penn State Scranton

3/21/2023
Date



Kelly Austin
Vice President for Commonwealth Campuses
and Executive Chancellor

3/22/2023
Date

MARCH SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTES 3/15/23

- We are excited to announce the Dunmore School District as a recipient of Giant's Feeding School Kids Round Up Program.
 - We received \$1,506.19 to grow school feeding programs to help eliminate child hunger within our schools.
 - I would like to recognize Antoinette Lopatka, Ellen Dougherty and Amy Costanzo for their efforts – along with securing this grant, they volunteered on a Saturday at our local Giant Market and collected food for our students in need.
- As a community pillar for our Mindfulness curriculum, the students in Mrs. Casebolt's classes decorated kindness stones.
 - The stones are vibrant and colorful and include inspirational messages
 - They will be placed around the campus
 - Thanks to Mrs. Casebolt and her students.

VII. NEW BUSINESS –

Motion by Mr. Muracco seconded by Mr. Hallinan to change name of Girls on the Run Club to Dunmore Elementary Running Club.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

Mr. Hallinan favorable report from Mr. Murphy and thanked Administration for managing finances. Mr. Muracco Dunmore Girls Won!!! Mr. Hallinan and Mr. Kranick inquired about PTA Meetings.

VIII. PRESIDENT'S REPORT –

NONE

IX. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - See Attached

***** ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS**

Motion by Mr. Butler seconded by Mr. Muracco to accept the Superintendent's Report and make it part of the MINUTES.

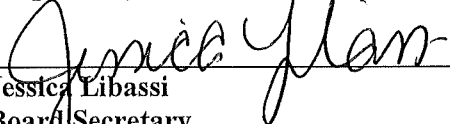
ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Kranick seconded by Mr. Hallinan to adjourn to meet in Regular Session or at the call of the CHAIR.

ALL PRESENT WERE IN FAVOR

Respectfully submitted,



Jessica Libassi
Board Secretary

