

# Indiana Area School District Board of Directors Special Meeting Agenda

August 25, 2025

Indiana Area Administration Office 501 East Pike Indiana, PA 15701 7:30 p.m.

#### **Public Comment Notice:**

Pursuant to IASD School District Policy 903, and with the intention of maintaining an appropriate, efficient, and safe environment for all, the following rules must be followed during public comment:

All public statements shall be limited to three minutes and directed to the presiding officer. The Board may not engage/respond to any comments made during the public comment portion of the meeting. The presiding officer has the authority and responsibility to interrupt or terminate any participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, obscene, defamatory, profane, or in any other way a violation of law or school board policy. Any individual who does not observe reasonable decorum will be asked to leave the meeting.

All or a portion of the meeting may be video recorded for the purpose of public broadcast and/or internet posting.

# 1. Opening

- 1.1 Call Meeting to Order
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- 1.3 Roll Call
- 1.4 Welcome to Visitors
- 1.5 Board President Message
- 1.6 Public Comment (3-minute time limit)
- 1.7 IAEA/AFSCME/SGA/STUCO
- 1.8 Superintendent's Report

1.9	Assistant Superintendent's Report		
1.10	Solicitor's Report		
2.	Presentation		
2.1	Dr. Matt Curci - ARIN Director		
3.	Approval of the Minutes and Agenda		
3.1	Minutes of August 11, 2025 Regular Board Meeting		
	Approve the minutes of the August 11, 2025 Regular Board meeting as submitted.		
3.2	Approval of the August 25, 2025 Special Board Meeting Agenda		
	Approval of the Agenda as submitted.		
4.	Board Reports		
4.1	Indiana County Technology Center - Walter Schroth		
4.2	ARIN IU 28 -		
4.3	Outreach Committee -		
4.4	Indiana Free Library - Ms. Thomas		
4.5	PSBA Updates - Dr. McCombie		
4.6	Indiana Area Educational Foundation - Mr. Adams		
5.	Academic/Extracurricular Committee		
	, Chair Dr. McCombie, Mr. Harley		
5.1	Committee Meeting Report		
5.2	Acadience Reading Benchmark Study		
	That based on the recommendation of the committee, the Board authorizes the administration to Participate in the 2025-2026 Acadience Reading Benchmark Study.		

#### 5.3 AIU Title III Consortium Memorandum of Understanding

That based on the recommendation of the administration, the Board approves the Title III consortium agreement with Allegheny Intermediate Unit 3 as presented.

#### 5.4 Merakey Agreement

That the Board approve the agreement with Merakey to provide educational services to children residing within our district as submitted.

#### 5.5 Attendance, Behavioral Guidelines and Discipline Policy Handbook

That based on the recommendation of the committee, the Board approves the updates to the Attendance, Behavioral Guidelines and Discipline Policy Handbook as presented.

### 6. Policy & Personnel Committee

Mrs. Thomas, Chair Dr. McCombie, Mr. Muscatello

- 6.1 Committee Meeting Report
- 6.2 Resignation of School Board Member

That the Board accepts with regret the letter of resignation from Dr. Sue Rieg as school board member, board vice president and Representative to ARIN Intermediate Unit Board effective August 19, 2025.

#### 6.3 Election of Vice President

#### A. Nominations

I, nominate \_\_\_\_\_\_ for the office of Vice-President of the Indiana Area Board of School Directors, to serve until the first Monday of December 2025 or until a successor is elected.

#### B. Vote

#### 6.4 Election of Representative to ARIN Intermediate Unit Board

That, Dr. Sally McCombie be nominated as the ARIN Intermediate Unit Board Director to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Sue Rieg ending June 30, 2028.

#### 6.5 Board Policies

That the Board approves the first read of Board Policy #626 Federal Fiscal Compliance, #626.1 Travel Reimbursements - Federal Programs, #827 Conflict of Interest, #102 Academic Standards, #105 Curriculum, #122 Extracurricular Activities, #122.1 Nonschool-Sponsored Student Groups, #123 Interscholastic Athletics, #209.2 Diabetes Management, and #918 Title I Parent and Family Engagement.

#### 6.6 Resignations of Support Staff

That the Board accepts with regret the following resignations and authorizations the administration to fill these positions:

James Fleming, Paraeducator effective August 14, 2025 Monica Hart, Paraeducator effective June 3, 2025 Maria Drew, Paraeducator effective August 14, 2025 Cassandra Newman, Paraeducator effective August 15, 2025 Kristin Rombaugh, Paraeducator effective July 23, 2025

#### 6.7 Computer Mediated Instructors

That the Board approves the following teachers as extra duty/extra pay computer mediated instructors for the 2025-2026 school year at the appropriate rate on the compensation scale for computer mediated instruction as defined in the current collective bargaining agreement:

Lisa Adams	Samantha Betta	Cassidy Black	Jan Brocious
Tracy Buterbaugh	Steve Cochran	Bill Doody	Joy Dress
Jamie Edmonds	Brian Schreyer	Brian Henninger	Kayla Geletka
Marisa Huntsman	Sarah Juart	Kelly Konitsky	Michael Lehman
Matt Neil	Melissa Nibert	Kayla Stewart	Peter Woytowish
Paul Wingerter	Larry Cadile	Brad Wright	Michael Farina

### 6.8 Support (Mentor) teachers

That, based on the recommendation of the administration, the following teachers be employed as support (mentor) teachers for the 2025-2026 school year at a compensation of \$712.00 per semester or \$7.66 per day based upon their appointment date.

Justin Brode	Claire Pajak	Cori Schrecongost	Zoey Tibbott
Robyn Vislosky	David McGarvey	Hilary Hubbard	Ashleigh Henning

#### 6.9 Appointment of Federal Programs Coordinator

Based on the recommendation of the administration, Tara Maruca be appointed the duties of federal programs coordinator and her compensation for the execution of required and related duties with a \$7,500 yearly stipend.

#### 6.10 Public Relations/Foundation Student Intern

That the Board approves the employment Gabi Isenberg as a Public Relations/Foundation Student Intern for the 2025-2026 school year at an hourly rate of \$10.00 to be split by the District and Foundation.

#### 6.11 Employment of Paraeducator

That based on the recommendation of administratio	n,,	and
be employed as a paraeducator effective	at an hourly rate of \$14.0	00 per hour
subject to a 60-day probation period and receipt of	all required paperwork be	approved.

# 7. Buildings/Grounds & Transportation Committee

### Mr. Harley, Chair, Julia Trimarchi Cuccaro

- 7.1 Committee Meeting Report
- 7.2 Eisenhower Update
- 7.3 High School Classroom Renovation Change Order

That based on the recommendation of the Building, Grounds & Transportation Committee, the following change order be approved:

- 1) JC Orr (General) CO 1; Additional \$10,897.59 to complete the install of drywall around the perimeter of the Science rooms.
- 2) JC Orr (General) CO 2; Additional \$1,077.78 to patch trench in the floor area of the Science rooms.
- 3) JC Orr (General) CO 3; Additional \$6,440.55 for additional work to remove walls between the Science Rooms.
- 4) JC Orr (General) CO 4; Additional \$1,414.20 to patch terrazzo floor in the hallway outside the Childcare rooms.

#### 8. Audit & Finance Committee

#### Julia Trimarchi Cuccaro, Chair Mr. Adams, Mr. Steve, Mr. Muscatello

- 8.1 Committee Meeting Report
- 8.2 Cyber School Reform Filing

That the Board authorize the firm of Dillon McCandless King Coulter & Graham, LLP to represent the district against cyber charter school reform at a cost of \$200 an hour be approved.

## 9. Closing

- 9.1 Discussion Item
- 9.2 Public Comment on Agenda Items
- 9.3 Enclosures

Treasurer's Report - July 2025 JH Student Activity Account - June & July 2025 9.4 Notice of Executive Session

There was an executive session at 6:00 p.m.

9.5 Next Board Meeting

There will be a regular meeting on September 8, 2025 at 7:30 P.M. for general purposes.

9.6 Next Committee Meeting

Academic/Extracurricular

September 8, 2025 5:30 p.m.

9.7 Adjournment