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Name of Agency or Office: Indiana Commission for Higher Education

Name of Recipient: Doug Harter

Title of Recipient: Director of Academic Affairs and Transfer

Brief Description of Item Solicited, Accepted, or Received and approximate value of item:

Agency leadership requested Doug Harter serve as the lead for Indiana's state team at the Midwestern Higher Education Compact (MHEC) Midwestern Dual Enrollment State Policy Workshop on July 29th and 30th, 2025, at the Big Ten Conference Center in Rosemont, IL (Chicago). This workshop convened state teams from across twelve MHEC member states to network, share learning and best practices, and develop action plans to improve dual enrollment policies. Participants assessed their state's policy strengths and gaps, exchanged insights with peers from other states, and developed actionable state-specific strategies to improve identified weaknesses. Mr. Harter assembled a team of seven others from Indiana, consisting of representatives from state educational agencies and higher education institutions. In his role at the Indiana Commission for Higher Education, Mr. Harter oversees all aspects of dual credit/enrollment and transfer credit for the state of Indiana, and thus, why he was asked to attend the workshop and serve as the lead for the state team.

All expenses for the workshop, including registration, travel, food, and lodging were covered by MHEC. Some of these expenses, such as registration, parking, dinner and breakfast at the workshop, and lodging, were not charged to the participant. Other expenses, such as mileage, lunch to/from the workshop, and tolls were reimbursed to the participant. **The approximate value of these covered expenses is: \$578 (dinner and breakfast at the workshop, lodging, mileage, lunch to/from the workshop, and tolls).**

Date of Receipt: July 29th and 30th, 2025

Name of Donor: Midwestern Higher Education Compact (MHEC)

Donor's Address: 105 Fifth Avenue South, Suite 450, Minneapolis, MN 55401

Nature of Business Relationship with Agency:

Indiana is a statutory member of the regional, multi-state nonprofit compact under the MHEC statute: <https://iga.in.gov/laws/2025/ic/titles/21#21-28-3>. MHEC state dues are an annual line item in the state biennial budget.

State Why Acceptance is in the Public Interest:

Participation in this workshop was a timely opportunity to convene a state team to evaluate Indiana's current dual credit/enrollment practices and policies, learn what colleagues in other states are doing, and to develop a plan for updating and improving these practices and policies. Mr. Harter's attendance at this workshop and the resulting outcomes produced by the collective work of the state team will inform dual credit/enrollment state policy and priorities moving forward. By result, Hoosier students and schools will be better served.

Matt Butler

Ethics Officer

Senior Associate Commissioner and Chief Academic Officer

Indiana Commission for Higher Education

8/22/2025

Date