



INDIANA COMMISSION *for*
HIGHER EDUCATION

To: Sean Gorman, State Ethics Director
From: Josh Garrison, Associate Commissioner
Date: June 14, 2023
Subject: Gift Rule Waiver – Ken Sauer

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Name of Recipient: Dr. Ken Sauer

Title of Recipient: Senior Associate Commissioner and Chief Academic Officer

Brief Description of Item Solicited, Accepted, or Received and approximate value of the item: Reimbursement for travel expenses (airfare, hotel, meals not included) to Rosemont Chicago, IL on July 18-20, 2023.

Date of Receipt: 7/18/2023

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 member of the Midwestern Higher Education Compact, a non-profit organization, legislatively created, whose purpose is to provide greater higher education opportunities and services in the Midwestern region. As a member of MHEC, Indiana pays dues to the organization and Dr. Sauer currently serves as the Chair of the Executive Committee.

State why acceptance is in the public interest: The M-SARA Annual Meeting will cover topics such as distance education, institutional compliance with federal code and student complaint procedures. Commission Staff will be able to engage with peers from across the Midwest to learn how we can improve our processes for Hoosier students and families. Further, MHEC covering the travel cost will save taxpayer dollars as staff would be attending regardless.

Joshua Garrison
(Name of approving appointing authority or Ethics Officer)