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Adam Horst, Budget Director Budget Agency 212 State House Indianapolis IN 46204

Dear Mr. Horst:

Enclosed is the Indiana Education Employment Relations Board's (Agency #505) budget submission for the 2012-13 Biennium.

MISSION

The Indiana Education Employment Relations Board (IEERB) was established in order to promote harmonious and cooperative relationships between public school teachers and the school corporations they serve, thereby improving the educational process for Hoosier children.

To fulfill this mission, the legislature established IEERB as the administrator of Public Law 217, the Certificated Educational Employee Bargaining Act (IC 20-29), referred to as "CEEBA" by the courts. IEERB's primary goal is to provide its mandated functions expeditiously and effectively and to assist the related parties in exploring innovative ways of improving the changing labor relationship.

AGENCY PROGRAMS

Indiana Code 20-29-3-12 (quoted below in pertinent part) mandates IEERB perform the following functions:

Sec. 12. The board shall organize the board's staff to provide for the functions of:

- (1) unit determination and representation;
- (2) unfair labor practice processing;
- (3) conciliation and mediation;
- (4) fact finding; and
- (5) research.

As added by P.L. 1-2005, SEC. 13.

Prioritized, the Agency's functions would be:

- 1. Conciliation and mediation
 - 2. Unfair labor practice processing
 - 3. Research
 - 4. Fact-finding
 - 5. Unit determination and representation

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OVER LAST TWO YEARS

1. Reviewed and revised internal processes to utilize best practices for Unfair Labor Practice cases, Mediations and Fact-Findings.

2. Significantly increased services provided without increasing our staff.

3. Accelerated the processing of decisions by our ad hoc panelists.

4. Agency staff members gave presentations at several constituent-sponsored conferences and workshops as well as providing internal educational offerings for our ad hoc panelists.5. Continued mediation of unfair labor practices. This has saved tax payers hundreds of thousands of dollars in past 2 years.

6. Revamped ad hoc panel with new, more qualified panelists.

7. Continued outreach initiatives to customers including schools and superintendents, unions and regional colleges and universities.

8. Developed excellent working relationships with customer groups and resources such as IAPSS, ISBA, IASBO, ISTA, IFT, and FMCS.

9. Complied with all informational and research requests from our constituents.

10. The Agency has achieved green targets on 83% of metric assessments during this period.

11. Developed a good working relationship with DOE for the first time in the Agency's history.

OBJECTIVES FOR NEXT BIENNIUM

The objectives for our agency are to meet or exceed all statutory and requested duties while exercising fiscal responsibility.

CURRENT SERVICES THAT ARE STATUTORILY MANDATED

- Task/function: ULP processing Status: Mandated Past performance: Excellent Strategy: Continue to support agency's legal counsel in processing unfair practice cases in a timely and efficient manner. Cost: None Timetable: Immediate and on-going
- Task/Function: Contract (interest) Mediation and Maintenance of Ad Hoc Panel Status: Mandated Past performance: Excellent. Strategy: Upgrade ad-hoc panel, conduct regular training for ad-hocs, solicit constituent input on mediator performance, increase monitoring of unsettled contracts where assistance may be needed. Cost: None Timetable: Immediate and on-going
- Task/function: Fact-finding Status: Mandated Past performance: Very good. The process, however, is dated and increasingly less effective.

Strategy: Continue to offer training on school finance, attempt to revise process, improve turn-around time, solicit constituent input on strategies to improve and revise the process. Cost: None Timetable: On-going

- Task/Function: Improved Communication Status: Non-mandated Past performance: Excellent Strategy: Periodic informal roundtable discussions with parties; monitoring contact progress; continue our outreach program to state colleges and universities. Cost: No anticipated cost. Timetable: On-going
- 5. Task/Function: Metrics Status: Mandated Past performance: Progressively improving Strategy: Continue to monitor our performance measurements and modify as appropriate. Cost: None Timetable: On-going
- Task/Function: Unfair Labor Practice (ULP) Mediation Status: Mandated Past performance: Mixed Strategy: Use our in-house General Counsel as much as practical. Cost: Negligible Timetable: On-going.

NEW PROGRAMS

We have no new programs scheduled due to budgetary constraints. We will be able to comply with all statutory requirements of the Agency.

Thank you for your consideration of our 2012-13 Biennium budget submission for the Indiana Education Employment Relations Board.

Yours truly,

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Collection and Dissemination of Data Relative to Public Sector Bargaining Under P.L. 217.