

# Central-Western Division 2022-2023 Workshops



Thursday  
September 22, 2022

Tuesday  
November 15, 2022

Tuesday  
March 14, 2023

Tuesday  
May 9, 2023

\*Location: Hoss's, Ebensburg

Time: 5:15PM to 7:30PM

\*Division meetings may change locations or be held using a virtual platform. Please check your email or contact the Division office prior to each event for updated information.

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## Thursday, September 22, 2022 *Advocating for Your Members*

*Presenters: Robert J. Smith and Gary Cirelli, Central-Western Region UniServs*

This program will focus on practical tips and pointers for becoming a great Member Advocate.

## Tuesday, November 15, 2022 *Internal Organizing: How to Get Members Involved in the Union*

*Presenter: Annie Briscoe, Central-Western Region Advocacy Coordinator*

This hands-on session will ask locals to identify their current method of outreach to members, hear examples of creative ways to encourage members to get involved, and come up with an action plan for their own locals.

## Tuesday, March 14, 2023 Annual Spring Meeting & Elections of Officers *Best Practices for a Safe School Environment for Your Students - A Chapter 14 Paraeducator Training (Open to All ESP Members)*

*Presenter: Adam Weber, PSEA UniServ Representative*

This session will address practical tips for encouraging safety with students and staff in different scenarios across the various job classifications of our ESPs. With District approval, this session is eligible for one Ch. 14 credit hour.

## Tuesday, May 9, 2023 *Dealing with Difficult People*

*Presenter: Julie K. Smith, Midwestern Region UniServ*

This workshop identifies and explores the characteristics of people who are difficult to work with. The objective is to develop more behavioral choices and to learn some of the classical rules and principles for success in working with colleagues, administrators, parents, students, school board members, and families.

Workshop topics, dates, and times are subject to change.