



CAIU BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The following actions were taken at the **March 22, 2012** meeting held at the Enola Office of the Capital Area Intermediate Unit.

Reports/Updates

- Holly Brzycki, Supervisor of Online Learning, provided an update on the Capital Area Online Learning Association (CAOLA).
- Mr. Shawn Farr, Director of Business and Operations and Brian Griffith, Director of Curriculum Services, provided additional information regarding the 2012-13 Capital Area School for the Arts (CASA) budget and the potential transition of CASA to a charter school.

Executive Session

- The Board met in executive session to discuss personnel matters.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

- None

Committee Report(s)

- A summary of the Building and Grounds Committee meeting held on March 1, 2012, was available for review.

Approved Action Items

- Minutes from the February 23, 2012, CAIU Board Meeting
- Treasurer's Report and Payment of Bills – a total of \$3,313,554.86 in receipts and \$5,010,245.80 in expenditures for February 2012
- Summary of Operations for the 2011-12 fiscal year showing revenues of \$44,996,561.76 and expenses of \$41,277,133.34
- Budget Administration:
 - Proposed 2011-12 Budget Revision A – Capital Area School for the Arts (CASA) in the amount of \$739,718
 - Proposed 2011-12 Budget Revision A – Education Leading to Employment and Career Training (ELECT) & Fatherhood Initiative Grant in the amount of \$306,697
 - Proposed 2011-12 Budget Revision A – English as a Second Language (ESL) in the amount of \$286,920
 - Proposed 2011-12 Budget Revision A – IDEA (Section 611) in the amount of \$17,886,815
 - Proposed 2011-12 Budget Revision B – Loysville Youth Development Center in the amount of \$1,839,113
 - Proposed 2011-12 Budget Revision A – Professional Services in the amount of \$922,937
 - Proposed 2011-12 Budget Revision A – Title I, Part A – Improving Basic Programs in the amount of \$60,000

- Proposed 2011-12 Budget Revision A – Title I, Part D – Neglected & Delinquent Program in the amount of \$937,462
- Proposed 2011-12 Budget Revision B – Title III, Part A – English Language Acquisition in the amount of \$168,477
- Proposed 2012-13 Original Budget – Capital Area School for the Arts (CASA) in the amount of \$763,712
- Capital Area School for the Arts
 - The Board approved the 2012-13 CASA budget which allows for CASA to continue operating in its current form next year.
 - The Board approved the administration’s request to move forward with a charter school application for CASA to begin in the 2013-14 school year.
 - The Board rejected an amendment which would have called for CASA to be closed at the end of the 2012-13 school year should be charter school option not be approved.
- Other Fiscal Matters
 - Hill Top Academy Acoustic Remediation
 - Comcast Contract for Wide Area Network
- Personnel Items – see attached report
- Policies and Programs
 - First Reading New Policy #620 – Fund Balances
 - Proposed 2012-13 CAIU 12-Month Employee Calendar
- Position Descriptions
 - Second Reading Existing Position, Revised Description – Penn Data Specialist
 - First Reading Existing Position – New Job Description – ANPS Program Assistant

Executive Director’s Report

- See attached written report.

President’s Report

- Mrs. Jean Rice shared that she appreciated the time and effort from the Board members at today’s meeting. Thank you for your attendance.

Information Items

- See AgendaMan at www.caiu.org for additional miscellaneous correspondence

Public Comment on Items Not Specific to the Agenda

- None

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, April 26, 2012, 8:00 a.m., Board Room, CAIU Enola Office

***Personnel and Policies/Programs Highlights
from the Capital Area Intermediate Unit Board of Directors' Meeting***

A. RESIGNATIONS:

ANNIE BURKEPILE, Educational Paraprofessional, Autism Support effective June 8, 2012.
Reason: Retirement after 26 years of CAIU service.

GAIL URICH, Educational Paraprofessional, Early Intervention effective May 15, 2012.
Reason: Retirement after 18 years of CAIU service.

B. RECOMMENDED FOR EMPLOYMENT OR CONTRACT:

GIBRAN JONES, 2140 Derry Street, Harrisburg 17104, Application Support Engineer, Technology Services effective March 5, 2012. To be paid at the Range 2 rate prorated at 7.5 hours per day for 85 days through June 30, 2012. This is a replacement position funded by the Technology Entrepreneurial Budget.

RIMA WILSON, part-time Educational Paraprofessional, Early Intervention effective March 8, 2012. To be paid at the rate based on HS+30, Step 2 for 189 days of service. This is a replacement position funded by the MAWA Budget.

C. CHANGES OF STATUS:

JEREMY BABSKI, Network Administrator, Technology Services, suspension without pay effective February 29, 2012 with recommendation to terminate for cause.

D. CHANGES OF SALARY:

E. LEAVES OF ABSENCE:

Executive Director's Report

March 22, 2012

NEWS

Focused on Living and CAIU Vocational Program Receives \$500 Target Field Trip Grant

As part of a nationwide program, Target created the Target Field Trip Grants, which allow schools to extend learning opportunities beyond the classroom. These grants help schools to continue in providing children with unique, firsthand learning experiences.

Recently, the CAIU received notification that our Focused on Living and the CAIU vocational program received a \$500 Target Field Trip Grant.

The grant money will be used to provide travel training to students served by the CAIU. This travel training will be provided in the Harrisburg area and may include bus and taxi trips.

Special thanks to Ruth Knapp and Barbara Sperber who wrote the grant proposal.

Fundraisers

- HTA Student Council is coordinating a 'Shoe Drive' for people in need – lightly used shoes are welcomed.
- There is a fundraiser for ongoing veterinary care of the Service Dogs at Hill Top (student-made pet collars and leashes).

Winter Story Family Night

Early Intervention Council sponsored a Winter Story Family Night with Floyd Stokes (aka Super Reader) with approximately 50 families in attendance.

RECOGNITION

- On March 10th, Susan Kutz (Training and Consultation) was the keynote speaker at the Kappa Delta Pi, Epsilon Chapter's new member initiation ceremony at Shippensburg University. There were over 20 new inductees and their families in attendance, including KDP's governing members and advisors. The presentation was entitled "Kutz's top 5" and included: 1. Shift happens, 2. Be a life-long learner, 3. Collaborate, collaborate, collaborate, 4. Know how to access and utilize resources and 5. Love what you do.
- On March 24, **Alice Womer**, speech pathologist, & Greer Aukstakalnis, occupational therapist, will be presenting at the 2012 Journey through Special Education Conference sponsored by CPARC (The Arc of Cumberland and Perry Counties).
- In April, **Nicole Showers**, autism consultant, is presenting an Autism 101 session at the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in Alexandria, VA.

NOTIFICATION OF ACTIVITIES

Educational Policy and Leadership Meeting

Attended the Educational Policy and Leadership meeting in Harrisburg where there was a historical presentation of education funding and the impact of the Governor's proposed budget on districts.

CAIU Building and Grounds Committee Meeting

Attended the CAIU building and grounds committee where we discussed the history of Hill Top lease and ways to move forward.

Hill Top Alternate Planning

Met with several superintendents this month to discuss alternative programs for Hill Top.

CPVTS New Administrative Director Search

Will be offering assistance to the Cumberland Perry Area Vocational Technical School as they search for a new administrative director. Dr. Mary Rodman is planning on retiring on August 24, 2012.

2012 Superintendents' Spring Leadership Conference

Attended superintendent retreat in Bedford Springs where we worked with Rob Mancabelli on developing Twenty-First Century learning environments.

AASA Conference

This month, I attended the AASA National Conference on Education in Houston, Texas. The title of the conference was "Big Conversations. Big Solutions." One of the best sessions I attended was by Julie Mathiesen on Mass Customized Learning.

Student Services Site Visits

On March 23, I will be visiting some of our student services sites in Perry and Cumberland Counties (Loysville YDC, Early Intervention at Carroll Elementary in West Perry, Deaf/HH at Middlesex in Cumberland Valley, and Walnut Bottom Preschool in Carlisle).

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- **Thursday, May 17, 2012** - CAIU Employee Recognition Dinner. Please place this on your calendar.
- **Friday, April 20, 2012** from 7:00p.m. – 10:00p.m. - The Annual Champions for Children Bingo, CAIU, Enola.
- **May 10, 2012** at 5:30p.m. – 10:00p.m. - CASA's 11th Annual Performance and Gala, Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts