## CENTRAL SUSQUEHANNA INTERMEDIATE UNIT

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

**JUNE 2021** 

The CSIU Board of Directors rescheduled its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, June 16 due to lack of a quorum. The meeting was rescheduled for Wednesday, June 23 and was held via electronic communication.

## SPOTLIGHT SEGMENT

CSIU staff member, **Christina Moser**, Pre-K Counts program/recruitment coordinator shared a video with directors highlighting the CSIU's Pre-K Counts Program. Pre-K Counts is a free program for children between the ages of three and five who are not yet enrolled in kindergarten. Certified teachers use materials to help children grow academically and socially, assisting parents and children with a smooth transition to kindergarten. An initiative of the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Pre-K Counts is administered by the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit (CSIU) in Berwick Area, Central Columbia, Line Mountain, Millville Area, Milton Area, Shikellamy, Southern Columbia Area and Warrior Run school districts.

## **BUDGET AND FINANCE MATTERS**

CSIU directors accepted monthly financial reports and approved May payment requests. Directors also approved:

- the revised 2020-21 and proposed 2021-22 Programs and Services Budgets;
- the transfer of funds from the fiscal year 2020-21 general fund balance to the capital reserve fund;
- an agreement for PA Trust administration consulting services;
- a worker's compensation insurance policy with Key Risk Insurance for 2021-22;
- the authorization of nine staff members as authorized agents of the Board to conduct banking transactions; and
- the authorization of First National Bank, Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT) and Pennsylvania School District Liquid Asset Fund (PSDLAF) as CSIU depositories for 2021-22.

## **HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS**

Directors approved five new staff members:

- Kristen Ewing, as digital media and communications specialist;
- Julia M. Muse, as client support specialist (SCView);
- Liza Ulceski, as Early Intervention program supervisor;
- Rachel Velez, as Early Intervention teaching assistant; and
- Taryn Zayas, as reading/resource teacher.

## Directors approved:

the following position transfers:

- **Debra A. Barren**, from business support accounting manager to business and trust support accounting manager;
- Tammy L. Boyer, from business support services administrative assistant II to purchasing specialist;
- McKenna J. Freeman, from licensed school social worker (part-time) to licensed school social worker (full-time);
- **Tiara N. Magargle**, from grant and budget analyst to grant and budget analyst technical specialist;
- Marya X. Rivera-Concepcion, from migrant education student support specialist to migrant education student support coordinator;
- Jonathan A. Sell, from migrant education student support specialist to migrant education student support coordinator;

## **DIRECTORS**

Benton Area: Vacant

Berwick Area: Susy Wiegand

Bloomsburg Area: Jonathan Jones

Central Columbia: Bruce E. Rhoads, Vice President

Danville Area: Dr. Yohannes Getachew

Lewisburg Area: Mary Ann Stanton

Line Mountain: Lauren Hackenburg

Midd-West: Victor L. Abate

Mifflinburg Area:

Dennis Keiser, Treasurer

Millville Area: Deborah Price

Milton Area: Dr. Alvin Weaver

**Mount Carmel Area:** 

William Brecker

Selinsgrove Area: Larry D. Augustine,

President

Shamokin Area: Jeffrey Kashner

Shikellamy: Slade Shreck, Secretary

Southern Columbia Area: Gregory Klebon

Warrior Run: Tamara Hoffman



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## BOARD GOVERNANCE

The following directors were elected to CSIU Board offices for 2021-22.

President:

Larry Augustine (Selinsgrove Area)

Vice-President:

Bruce Rhoads
(Central Columbia)

Secretary:

Slade Shreck (Shikellamy)

Treasurer:

**Dennis Keiser** (Mifflinburg Area)

## POLICY COMMITTEE MATTERS

CSIU directors accepted at second and final reading the following proposed policy revision:
611 – Purchases Budgeted.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Wednesday, August 18, 2021 at 7 p.m. at the CSIU central office.

There is no July board meeting.

- Heather L. Taggart, from graphic design and communication specialist to communications coordinator; and
- John W. Wargo, from manager of computer services to director of technology.

the following title changes from Head Start instructor to Head Start senior instructor:

- Amanda S. Benfer;
- Brittany A. Bortz;
- Jennifer A. Day;
- Debra A. Kerstetter;
- Anna A. Landis;
- Ashley M. Meyer;
- Heather M. Nye;
- Emily A. Reedy;
- . Betsy S. Stetler; and
- Brianna L. Taylor.

the following resignations:

- Jenny E. Snyder, as Early Dispute Resolution case manager; and
- Doris L. Thompson, as Head Start assistant instructor.

Directors also approved:

- one part-time, non-instructional employee: **Charmaine Klingler**, 21st Century Community Learning Centers site coordinator;
- a resignation from one part-time employee: Dakota Davidson, school bus rider;
- changes to the Admin Group Titles of the Administration Group Compensation Plan of the current Act 93 Agreement;
- salary adjustments for non-bargaining unit staff and regular part-time staff; and
- salary adjustments for senior leaders.

## **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS MATTERS**

Directors approved:

- a contract with R.L. Abatement, Inc. for removal and disposal of asbestos containing materials at the CSIU central office;
- a Change Request from Modular Genius for the removal and relocation of a modular classroom trailer;
- lease renewal agreements with NAM Futures, LLC; Housing Authority of Northumberland County; and Central Pennsylvania Workforce Development Corporation for the adult education program;
- a contract with Shaw Industries, Inc. for replacement of LVT flooring at the Annex; and
- a contract with Gordian for building renovations at the Annex.

#### **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM MATTERS**

Directors approved the Head Start/Early Head Start Monthly Report for April 2021 and the authorization for staff to submit the Assurance for the Operation of Early Intervention Special Education Services and Programs for the 2021-22 school year.

Directors also approved the 2021-22 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B (IDEA-B) funds application and the purchase of Unique Learning System licenses for CSIU programs and districts.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

Directors approved the proposed solicitor and legal counsel for 2021-22 and authorization for the Executive Committee to approve any matters prior to the August 18, 2021 board meeting.

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