Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit

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SEPTEMBER 2023

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Enriching lives

The CSIU Board of Directors conducted its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 20 at the CSIU central office.

SPOTLIGHT SEGMENT

Directors recognized the following CSIU 2023 Professional Leadership Day (PLD) award recipients: **Shirley Bastian**, Ambassador of the Year Award; **Brian Paulhamus**, Passion for Excellence Award; **Nicola Manning-Davenport**, Innovation Award; and **Eric Shearer**, Kudos Award. A video of PLD highlights was shared with the directors.

BUDGET AND FINANCE MATTERS

CSIU directors accepted monthly financial reports and approved payment requests for August. Directors also approved program budget transfers and a resolution authorizing the CSIU to make contributions to the PA OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits) Trust to cover future costs and reduce CSIU's OPEB liability.

TECHNOLOGY/MARKETPLACE MATTERS

CSIU directors approved the extension of the PEPPM HP and Xerox branded managed print solution contracts through Dec. 31, 2023.

HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS

Directors approved 12 new staff members:

- Emily F. Bear, as Early Intervention teacher;
- Taylor B. Culver, as Early Intervention instructional assistant;
- Alyssa R. Dunham, as career counselor specialist;
- Jacob Esenwein, as behavior intervention assistant;
- Bryan J. Hagenbuch, as behavior intervention assistant;
- Ashlee Haley, as Early Intervention instructional assistant;
- Traci M. Krebs, as special education teacher;
- Abigail McKee, as Head Start assistant instructor;
- Chanda R. Parker, as Head Start assistant instructor;
- Hannah A. Read, as Early Intervention instructional support program assistant;
- Abigail M. Skelton, as Head Start assistant instructor; and
- Megan M. Trayes, as career counselor specialist.

Directors approved:

the following position transfers:

- **Kathryn M. Cook**, from educational programs and substitute placement administrative assistant (full-time) to substitute placement administrative assistant (part-time); and
- Meghan E. Dale, from statewide multilingual education professional learning project lead to special projects managing coordinator.

the following changes in start dates:

- Michelle Black, Head Start assistant instructor, from Sept. 21, 2023 to Aug. 28, 2023;
- Rebecca Evans, special education teacher, from Aug. 21, 2023 to Aug. 28, 2023;
- Jody Guadalupi, Early Intervention instructional support program assistant, from Aug. 17, 2023 to Aug. 21, 2023;

- Amanda L. Pollari, Head Start senior instructor, from Aug. 17, 2023 to Aug. 21, 2023;
- **Deven Sanchez**, Early Intervention instructional assistant, from Aug. 22, 2023 to Aug. 25, 2023;
- Justin Taylor, Pre-K Counts teacher, from Aug. 17, 2023 to Aug. 28, 2023; and
- Jennifer Wright, licensed school social worker, from Aug. 17, 2023 to Aug. 24, 2023.

the following resignations:

- Mackenzie R. Ade, as Pre-K Counts assistant instructor-floater;
- Christen Benjo, as behavior intervention assistant;
- Michelle Black, as Head Start assistant instructor;
- Louis S. Gansell, as career counselor specialist;
- Brooke Irwin, as special education teacher;
- Misty L. Lose, as Early Intervention teacher; and
- Patricia Pupo, as Head Start instructor-floater.

the following updated resignation date:

• Kayleen M. Faatz, special education teacher, from Sept. 11, 2023 to Sept. 6, 2023.

the following retirement:

Kimberly M. Heffner, as occupational therapist.

Directors also approved:

- employment of two part-time, non-instructional employees: Kristin L. Peterman, as
 food and educational programs administrative assistant; and Kimrenee Swartzlander, as
 nutrition operations assistant;
- a resignation from one part-time employee: **Soraida Padilla**, as Migrant Education student support specialist;
- employment of nine substitute teachers and two substitute aides for the 2023-24 school year; and
- a cumulative list of employees who have attained tenure in 2023.

POLICY COMMITTEE MATTERS

Directors approved at first reading the following revised policies: 251 – Students Experiencing Homelessness and Other Educational Instability; and 305 – Employment of Substitutes and Part-Time Staff.

Directors also approved at first reading the following new policies: 216.1 – Supplemental Discipline Records; 246 – School Wellness; 328.2 – Extra Duty Stipends; 805.2 – School Security Personnel; and 823 – Naloxone.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM MATTERS

Directors approved the Head Start/Early Head Start monthly report for July 2023, Northumberland Area Head Start Governing and Eligibility Determinations and the Head Start/Early Head Start Re-budget Request for September 2023. Directors also approved school bus and van drivers for the CSIU's student transportation programs for the 2023-24 school year.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Directors approved agreements with Next Century, Inc. for staffing and consulting services for the 2023-24 school year.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **Oct. 18**, **2023** at 7 p.m. at the CSIU central office.

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