## CENTRAL SUSQUEHANNA INTERMEDIATE UNIT

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

# AUGUST 2023

The CSIU Board of Directors conducted its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, August 16 at the CSIU central office.

#### SPOTLIGHT SEGMENT

**Dr. John Kurelja**, executive director, **Rae Ann Crispell**, administrative support director, and the senior leadership team provided an update to the Board regarding the 2021-2024 CSIU Strategic Plan.

#### **BUDGET AND FINANCE MATTERS**

CSIU directors accepted monthly financial reports and approved payment requests for June and July.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS**

Directors approved 18 new staff members:

- Michelle Black, as Head Start assistant instructor;
- Kaitlyn K. Fetzer, as Pre-K Counts senior instructor;
- Abbey J. Flick, as an educational consultant;
- Heather F. Harter, as mental health support specialist;
- Brooke Irwin, as special education teacher;
- Drewanne Kline, as family support project specialist;
- Sharon Koser, as alternative placement special education teacher;
- Mindy L. Lewis, as licensed school social worker;
- Brian N. Linaburg, as data analytics, research and system education consultant;
- Amanda L. Pollari, as Head Start senior instructor;
- Deven Sanchez, as Early Intervention instructional assistant;
- Elicia Shallenberger, as classroom assistant;
- Marcia Smith, as Head Start assistant instructor/floater
- Shelby Snyder, as corrections education school counselor;
- Sarah K. Starr, as school psychologist;
- Justin Taylor, as Pre-K Counts teacher;
- John Vincent, as programmer analyst; and
- Jennifer N. Wright, as licensed school social worker.

#### Directors also approved:

the following position transfers:

- Jennifer L. Bornman, from Statewide Adoption Network technical specialist to Statewide Adoption Network lead technical specialist;
- Rebecca Evans, from behavior intervention assistant to special education teacher;
- McKenna Freeman, from licensed school social worker (full-time) to licensed school social worker (part-time);
- **Jody Guadalupi**, from instructional support program assistant to Early Intervention instructional support program assistant; and
- Patricia A. Pupo, from Head Start senior instructor to Head Start floater instructor.

### the following title change:

• Scott L. Wert, from ed.x driver to inventory management and distribution technician.

#### **DIRECTORS**

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## EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM MATTERS

Directors approved the following items for Head Start/Early Head Start: monthly reports for May and June 2023 and submission of the Year 4 Refunding Application.

Directors also approved the Pre-K Counts Flexible Instruction Plan for 2023-24; two contracts with Interpretek for educational sign language interpreter and communication facilitator services for 2023-24; and a Classroom User Agreement with Rockland Academy for the Early Intervention program.

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UNIT 90 Lawton Lane, Milton, PA 17847 570-523-1155 www.csiu.org the following changes in start date:

- Susan Cowles, client support specialist, from July 10, 2023 to July 20, 2023; and
- Montana M. Drumheller, Early Head Start senior family partner/home visitor, from June 5, 2023 to June 19, 2023.

the following rescinded acceptance of job offer:

• Ashley Whitaker, as classroom assistant.

the following furlough:

• John M. Hess, as technology resource and remedial education specialist, due to the alteration of the program and economic reasons.

the following resignations:

- Kayleen M. Faatz, as special education teacher;
- Amy G. Gronlund, as Early Intervention instructional support program assistant;
- Laurie Henriquez, as recruitment specialist;
- Kimberly Kepner, as licensed school social worker;
- Andrew J. Moore, as career counselor specialist;
- Kendra Orellana Diaz (Stark), as instructional support program assistant;
- Summer R. Paul, as Head Start assistant instructor;
- Jennifer D. Pretz, as Early Intervention program associate;
- · April Showver, as occupational therapist; and
- Rebecca S. Wright, as Early Intervention instructional assistant.

the following retirements:

- Sandra L. Billman, as Head Start assistant instructor;
- Kati L. Clendenin, as Office for Dispute Resolution special education coordinator; and
- Lesley N. Yuhas, as alternative education special education teacher.

Directors also approved:

- employment of one part-time, instructional employee: **Brittany Walters**, as speech therapist;
- employment of four part-time, non-instructional employees: Jillian E. DeWald, as ELECT student support specialist; Maxwell Frankel, as driver/safety education instructor; Anita M. Kropf, as administrative assistant; and Robert M. Welch, as summer special projects assistant;
- a change in start date for two part-time employees: Chelsea M. Beach, driver/safety education instructor, from May 18, 2023 to June 22, 2023; and Maxwell Frankel, driver/safety education instructor, from July 20, 2023 to July 28, 2023;
- a Memorandum of Understanding with the CSIU and the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit Education Association related to the 2022-23 salary step advancement of employee #3642; and
- employment of 37 substitute teachers and 20 substitute aides for the 2023-24 school year.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

Directors approved submission of the 2023-24 CSIU Health and Safety Plan.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **Sept. 20**, **2023** at 7 p.m. at the CSIU central office.