Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

NOVEMBER 2024

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

SPOTLIGHT SEGMENT

Jared Lehman, chief innovation officer, introduced **Lyndi Hertzler**, client solutions manager, and **Todd Roney**, director of computer services, who shared information about the computer services department with directors. They discussed services provided to local districts and statewide LEAs, including two student information systems and a financial information system currently used by more than 300 LEAs across the state.

BOARD GOVERNANCE

CSIU directors approved a mail ballot for the 2025 election of CSIU board members and for action on the CSIU's 2025-26 General Operating Budget. Districts may petition the CSIU Board to hold a convention in lieu of the mail ballot, but requests must be received from a majority of districts (nine) before Feb. 1, 2025.

Six terms on the CSIU Board will end June 30, 2025: Benton Area, Line Mountain, Millville Area, Mount Carmel Area, Southern Columbia Area and Warrior Run. Those district boards will be eligible to nominate a director during March and April. All CSIU-region boards will cast votes in May and June on the six nominees, who will begin a three-year term on July 1.

BUDGET AND FINANCE MATTERS

CSIU directors accepted monthly financial reports and approved payment requests for October. Directors also approved insurance policy renewals, effective Dec. 1, 2024 through Nov. 30, 2025.

TECHNOLOGY/MARKETPLACE MATTERS

Directors approved Keystone Purchasing Network (KPN) definite quantity line-item bids for the 2025-26 purchasing cycle; KPN Job Order Construction (JOC) program consultant services through Feb. 28, 2026; KPN JOC contractor extensions through Dec. 31, 2025; and KPN contract extensions through Dec. 31, 2025 and Feb. 28, 2026.

HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS

Directors approved 12 new staff members:

- Kristen Brouse, as non-traditional education support para-educator;
- Suzanne Cavataio, as Center for Schools and Communities fiscal specialist;
- Celestial L. Klinger, as Early Intervention instructional support program assistant;
- Krystan J. Kyttle, as occupational therapist;
- Katherine Laughlin, as Center for Schools and Communities executive assistant;
- Serenity Lopez, as Head Start assistant;
- Leslie Lozano, as Migrant Education family engagement and special projects coordinator;
- Arlyn A. Morales Barbosa, as Migrant Education program project specialist;
- Lorenza P. Perez, as recruitment specialist;
- Tressa A. Reiner, as classroom assistant;
- Ayesha H. Spradley, as out-of-school-time professional learning and instruction coordinator; and
- Amber Yost, as non-traditional education support para-educator.

DIRECTORS

Benton Area: William Pasukinis

Berwick Area: Brenda Post

Bloomsburg Area: Jonathan Jones

Central Columbia: Bruce E. Rhoads, President

Danville Area: Dr. Samuel Faulkner

Lewisburg Area: Dr. John Graham

Line Mountain:Lauren Hackenburg,
Treasurer

Midd-West: Terry Boonie

Mifflinburg Area: Thomas Eberhart

Millville Area: Susan Myers

Milton Area: Dr. Alvin Weaver, Secretary

Mount Carmel Area: William Brecker

Selinsgrove Area: David Hess

Shamokin Area: Jeffrey Kashner

Shikellamy: Slade Shreck, Vice President

Southern Columbia Area: Brianna Maciejewski

Warrior Run: Robert Hormell



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EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM MATTERS

Directors approved the Head Start/Early Head Start monthly report for September 2024; Program Information Report - Summary Report 2024 Grant Level; a school bus and van driver contracted through Rohrer Bus Service for the Early Intervention Education program; and a three-year contract with Rohrer Bus Service for transportation of CSIU designated school students through the 2026-27 school year.

NEXT MEETING

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

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Directors approved the following:

position transfers:

- Michelle L. Michaels, from cooperative purchasing quality assurance program assistant to cooperative purchasing bidding specialist; and
- Maxwell Wright, from behavior intervention assistant to special education teacher.

changes in start date:

- Richard J. Donahoe, as programmer analyst, from Oct. 17, 2024 to Oct. 29, 2024; and
- Shalyn Rager, as classroom assistant, from Oct. 1, 2024 to Oct. 7, 2024.

rescinded acceptance of job offer:

• Justin Sharp, as special education teacher.

resignations:

- Lisa M. Abdill, as Early Intervention instructional assistant;
- Priscilla Cruz, as recruitment specialist;
- Edith R. Jacdong, as classroom assistant;
- Drewanne Kline, as family support project specialist;
- Abigail McKee, as Head Start assistant;
- Brandi L. Miller, as special education teacher; and
- Diane Peoples, as classroom assistant.

retirements:

- Melanie J. Haas, as adult education instructor/volunteer classroom aide coordinator;
- Melissa A. Fisher, as reading/resource teacher; and
- Tammy L. McCarthy, as alternative education teacher.

Directors also approved:

- employment of one part-time, non-instructional employee: **Jennifer Germosen**, as Migrant Education student support specialist;
- resignations from two part-time employees: Manisha Adhikari, as Migrant Education student support specialist; and Andrew W. Monger, as driver/safety education instructor;
- two part-time CSIU rescinded job offers to **Lizsha Banks** and **Yadira Pena**, as Migrant Education recruiters;
- employment of three substitute teachers and two substitute aides for the 2024-25 school year; and
- a Memorandum of Agreement with the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit (CSIU) Education Association and the CSIU regarding the creation of a voluntary Paraprofessional to Teacher Mentorship program through Bloomboard and Point Park University.

POLICY COMMITTEE MATTERS

Directors approved the second reading and adoption of the following revised policy: 805.2 – School Security Personnel.

Directors also approved for second reading and adoption the following new policies: 103.2 – Non-Discrimination Based on Sex Under Title IX Beginning August 1, 2024 for Students; 103.2 – Attachment: Incident Report Form; 104.1 – Non-Discrimination Based on Sex Under Title IX Beginning August 1, 2024 for Employees and Non-Student Complaints; and 104.1 – Attachment: Incident Report Form.