Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

MAY 2025

The CSIU Board of Directors conducted its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 21 at the CSIU central office.

DIRECTORS

Benton Area: William Pasukinis

Berwick Area: Brenda Post

Bloomsburg Area: Jonathan Jones

Central Columbia: Bruce E. Rhoads, President

Danville Area: Vacant

Lewisburg Area: Dr. John (Jove) 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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ART GALLERY RECEPTION

The CSIU hosted its annual Art Gallery Reception prior to the business meeting. Students, family members and staff from 17 area school districts attended the reception, highlighting student artwork purchased by the CSIU over the last year.

Dr. Kurelja encouraged the student artists and thanked the teachers, administration and families of those whose artwork is now displayed in the CSIU Conference and Learning Center.

BOARD GOVERNANCE MATTERS

CSIU directors approved Mrs. Jessica Whitmoyer, Millville Area School District, as its CSIU Board representative, effective July 1, 2025.

Directors also approved **David Hess**, Selinsgrove Area, and **Slade Shreck**, Shikellamy School Districts, as the CSIU's voting members for the 2025 PSBA Delegate Assembly.

BUDGET AND FINANCE MATTERS

CSIU directors approved monthly financial statements for April 2025.

TECHNOLOGY/MARKETPLACE MATTERS

Directors approved:

- Keystone Purchasing Network (KPN) definite quantity line-item bid awards, pending documentation, for fuel oil/diesel/gasoline for the 2025-26 purchasing cycle; and
- contract extensions for the Association of Educational Purchasing Agencies and KPN.

HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS

Directors approved four new staff members:

- Heidi Bowen, as reading/resource teacher;
- Dr. Samuel A. Faulkner, as clinical director of outpatient psychological services;
- Joy W. Fleming, as special education due process hearing officer; and
- Jami K. VanKirk, as operations assistant.

Directors approved:

the following position transfers:

- Lees M. Chevere, from Migrant Education student support and recruitment coordinator to Migrant Education team leader;
- Nicholas Gallinot, from educational consultant to behavioral health support services project coordinator;
- **Sharon M. Koser**, from special education teacher to alternative education special education teacher;
- Susan J. Luna, from Migrant Education student and parent support coordinator to Migrant Education team leader;
- Kaitlin L. O'Neill, from compensation and compliance specialist to human resources coordinator;
- Carol S. Styers, from cooperative purchasing order specialist to cooperative purchasing order compliance coordinator; and
- Danielle Thomas, from non-traditional education support coordinator to non-traditional education support and data reporting supervisor.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS MATTERS

Directors approved a contract with Gordian to install a solar farm at the CSIU central office. Directors also approved the purchase of 200 meeting room chairs to be used at the CSIU central office and the purchase of two 2025 Chevrolet Equinox EV sedans from Hawkins Chevrolet.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM MATTERS

Directors approved the Head Start/Early Head Start monthly report for March 2025, Outcomes Reports for Preschool-3 and Preschool-4. Directors also approved the purchase of 60 Dell Latitude laptops from Winslow Technology Group for the alternative placement students and staff.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **June 18, 2025** at 7 p.m. at the CSIU central office.

the following salary adjustments:

- Andrew Crago, Migrant Education student support specialist, due to wage equity adjustments;
- Angelina R. Fritz, Migrant Education data specialist, due to increased job duties;
- **Helen Hyun**, Migrant Education student support specialist, due to wage equity adjustments;
- **Jasmine B. Mendez**, Migrant Education student support specialist, due to wage equity adjustments;
- Lorenza Perez-Martinez, recruitment specialist, due to wage equity adjustments; and
- **Michelle L. Wills**, behavior intervention assistant, due to her obtaining her Registered Behavior Technician certificate.

the following title changes:

- **Jennifer J Allen**, from supplemental education services program manager to director of non-public education and title programs;
- Tanya R. Dynda, from instructional technology support specialist to instructional technology support and STEM specialist.

the following rescinded acceptance of job offer:

 Amber Beaver rescinded her acceptance of the classroom assistant position approved at the April board meeting.

the following furlough:

 Melissa K. Bowersox-Hugar, as nursing assistant educator, due to the NARP Geisinger agreement not being renewed.

the following resignations:

- Rebecca Evans, as special education teacher; and
- Beth Hamilton, as classroom assistant.

the following retirements:

- Bette L. Arnold, as Early Intervention instructional assistant; and
- Melanie A. Klees, as grant and budget analyst technical specialist.

the following updated retirement dates:

- Melissa A. Fisher, reading/resource teacher, from June 30, 2025 to May 28, 2025; and
- Tammy L. McCarthy, alternative education teacher, from June 30, 2025 to June 4, 2025.

Directors also approved:

- salary adjustments for five part-time staff due to wage equity adjustments;
- a furlough for one part-time staff, Jeremy C. Gaines, nursing skills laboratory instructional assistant, due to the Geisinger NARP agreement not being renewed;
- resignations from two part-time employees: Caleb G. Biddinger, as student mental health intern, and Grace E. Watts, as 21st Century Community Learning Centers site coordinator;
- employment of four substitute teachers and one substitute aide for the 2024-25 school year;
- salary adjustments for non-bargaining unit staff and regular part-time staff for 2025-26; and
- the Act 93 Compensation Plan, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2028.