

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2025

The CSIU Board of Directors conducted its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 17 at the CSIU central office.

DIRECTORS

Benton Area:

William Pasukinis

Berwick Area:

Brenda Post

Bloomsburg Area:

Rev. Mark Reisinger

Central Columbia:

Bruce E. Rhoads,
President

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Derl Reichard, Jr.

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David Hess

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Jeffrey Kashner

Shikellamy:

Slade Shreck,
Vice President

Southern Columbia Area:

Brianna Maciejewski

Warrior Run:

Robert Hormell

SPOTLIGHT SEGMENT

Chief Outreach Officer **Bernadette Boerckel** and PA Governor's School for the Sciences Campaign Board Secretary Janet Hurwitz introduced Julia Monaco, a Lewisburg Area School District student, who shared her experience at the Governor's School.

BOARD GOVERNANCE MATTERS

CSIU directors approved **Mr. Derl Reichard, Jr.**, Danville Area School District, as their CSIU Board representative, effective Sept. 18, 2025.

BUDGET AND FINANCE MATTERS

CSIU directors accepted monthly financial reports and approved payment requests for August. Directors also approved the transfer of funds from the fiscal year 2025-26 general fund balance to the capital reserve fund; 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

Directors approved a contract extension for the PEPPM Apple product line contract through Dec. 31, 2026. CSIU directors also approved Keystone Purchasing Network (KPN) contract extensions through Dec. 31, 2026 and a KPN Job Order Contracting consultant contract through Feb. 28, 2028.

HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS

Directors approved 6 new staff members:

- **Jessica Bartlow**, as Pre-K Counts assistant instructor;
- **Amber M. Beaver**, as administrative assistant;
- **Shannon R. Downey**, as director of family support;
- **Tabith Heistand**, as non-traditional education support para-educator;
- **Amie Longacre**, as classroom associate; and
- **Heather N. Reppert**, as non-traditional education support para-educator.

Directors approved:

the following changes in start date:

- **Anne D. Artley**, Early Head Start family and health coordinator, from Aug. 21, 2025 to Sept. 4, 2025;
- **Penny A. Mendez**, special education teacher, from Aug. 21, 2025 to Sept. 3, 2025; and
- **Heather Y. Yarger**, classroom assistant, from Aug. 5, 2025 to Aug. 21, 2025.

the following resignations:

- **Michelle Benjamin**, as special education teacher;
- **Jamie N. Harley**, as educational interpreter;
- **Aya Mohamed**, as administrative assistant;
- **Dr. Anthony J. Serafini**, as director of professional development, training and consultation;



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- **Demarr D. Smith**, as classroom assistant;
- **Stephanie A. Thorn**, as communications specialist; and
- **Amy F. Willoughby**, as Early Intervention evaluation system supervisor.

the following retirement:

- **Lori A. Gibson**, as business systems analyst II.

the following updated resignation date:

- **Dianna S. Sorgen**, as Pre-K Counts teacher, from Aug. 28, 2025 to Aug. 26, 2025.

Directors also approved:

- a position transfer for one part-time employee: **Jeanne S. Crago**, from English as a second language instructor to English as a second language assessment administrator;
- a resignation from one part-time employee: **Ana R. Hernandez Noyola**, as Migrant Education student support specialist;
- employment of three substitute teachers and one substitute aide for the 2025-26 school year;
- a bi-weekly stipend for CSIU Head Start employees identified effective September 2025 through the end of November 2025 based on longevity; and
- a cumulative list of employees who have attained tenure in 2025.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE MATTERS

Directors approved lease agreements between the CSIU and the following programs for office and classroom space at the Watsontown Children's Center: CSIU Early Intervention Program; CSIU Head Start Supplement Assistant Program; CSIU Pre-K Counts Program; CSIU Special Education Program; and Northumberland Area Head Start/Early Head Start Program.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM MATTERS

Directors approved the Head Start/Early Head Start monthly report for July 2025. Directors also approved a contract with Bayada Home Health Care, Inc., Bloomsburg, to provide basic nursing services to students in CSIU school-age programs through June 30, 2026; a Field Trip/Activity Transportation Agreement with Adam Transportation LLC, Selinsgrove, for the transportation of students; and school bus and van drivers for the CSIU's student transportation programs for the 2025-26 school year.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Directors approved agreements with Next Century, Inc. for staffing and consulting services for the 2025-26 school year.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for **Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2025** at 7 p.m. at the CSIU central office.