

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

AUGUST 2026

The CSIU Board of Directors conducted its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 19 at the CSIU central office.

DIRECTORS

Benton Area:

William Pasukinis

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Toni Phillips

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Jonathan Jones

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Jeffrey Kashner

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Slade Shreck,
Vice President

Southern Columbia Area:

Cynthia Brassington

Warrior Run:

Robert Hormell

SPOTLIGHT SEGMENT

Directors recognized the following CSIU 2026 Professional Leadership Day (PLD) award recipients: **Jeffrey Myers**, Ambassador of the Year Award; **Kathleen Alexander**, Passion for Excellence Award; **Christina Moser**, Innovation Award; and **Nannette Cooper**, Kudos Award.

Dr. John Kurelja, executive director, shared a video of PLD highlights with the directors.

BUDGET AND FINANCE MATTERS

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

HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS

Directors approved 16 new staff members:

- **Haylee Carl**, as special education teacher;
- **Cindy Duch**, as Office for Dispute Resolution special education coordinator;
- **Alessia Eisloeffel**, as special education teacher;
- **Craig W. Fegley**, as corrections education teacher;
- **Lindsey Gallinot**, as educational consultant;
- **Ashley Heckrote**, as non-traditional education teacher;
- **Emily R. Houtz**, as non-traditional education teacher;
- **Kiara J. Johnson**, as Head Start assistant;
- **Diane L. Knisely**, as educational consultant;
- **Siria J. Matos**, as Head Start family and health coordinator;
- **Amelia R. Pennycoff**, as classroom assistant;
- **Stephon M. Shrawder**, as instructional support program assistant;
- **Stacey A. Snyder**, as Early Head Start family and health coordinator;
- **Inna Tice**, as Pre-K Counts senior instructor;
- **Crisandra M. Williams**, as Head Start assistant; and
- **Melissa Zawisky**, as administrative support specialist.

Directors also approved:

the following salary adjustments:

- **Hannah Read**, special education PK-12 teacher apprentice, due to completion of 1,400 hours in the teacher apprenticeship program; and
- **Amber Yost**, non-traditional education support para-educator, due to documentation of additional qualifying education.

the following title changes:

- **Marley A. Artley**, from computer services billing specialist III to software solutions billing specialist III;
- **Derek S. Megargell**, from special education teacher Work Foundations+ to special education teacher; and
- **Todd J. Roney**, from director of computer services to director of software solutions.

the following changes in start date:

- **Ashley M. Heckrote**, non-traditional education teacher, from Aug. 4, 2026 to Sept. 14, 2026;
- **Inna Tice**, Pre-K Counts senior instructor, from Aug. 4, 2026 to Aug. 6, 2026; and
- **Melissa Zawisky**, administrative support specialist, from July 16, 2026 to July 22, 2026.

the following recall from furlough:

- **Caleb A. Petrin**, recall from furlough to the position of special education teacher.

the following rescinded acceptance of job offer:

- **Craig Fegley**, as corrections education teacher.



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POLICY COMMITTEE MATTERS

Directors approved at first reading the following revised policies:

- 102 – Academic Standards;
- 105 – Curriculum;
- 122 – Equal Access;
- 218.1 – Weapons;
- 221 – Dress and Grooming (Students);
- 236.1 – Threat Assessment;
- 317.1 – Educator Misconduct;
- 320 – Freedom of Speech by Employees;
- 325 – Dress and Grooming (Employees);
- 332 – Working Periods;
- 619 – Intermediate Unit Audit;
- 716 – Integrated Pest Management;
- 805 – Emergency Preparedness and Response;
- 805 – Attachment-Safe2Say Something Procedures;
- 805.1 – Relations with Law Enforcement Agencies;
- 805.2 – School Security Personnel;
- 904 – Public Attendance at Intermediate Unit Events; and
- 904 – Attachment-Public Behavior at Intermediate Unit Events.

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the following resignations:

- **Ellen L. Batdorf**, as special education teacher;
- **Autymn R. Cantrall**, as career counselor specialist;
- **Taylor B. Culver**, as Early Intervention instructional assistant;
- **Victoria A. Kramer**, as career counselor specialist;
- **Betty Anne Leiby**, as practical nursing program instructor;
- **Emily E. Lesh**, as Head Start floater senior instructor;
- **Abigail Lopez**, as Head Start assistant;
- **Alexis T. Loss**, as special education teacher;
- **Beth Manyara**, ODR special education coordinator;
- **Andrew W. Monger**, as alternative placement remedial support teacher;
- **Melinda S. Moretz**, as classroom assistant;
- **Hannah Read**, as special education PK-12 teacher apprentice;
- **Jill D. Snyder**, as licensed school social worker; and
- **Gabriella M. Tickle**, as classroom assistant.

the following retirements:

- **Diann M. Aikey**, as corrections education teacher; and
- **Grace E. Yost**, as Head Start assistant.

Directors also approved:

- the reappointment of **Dr. Alan J. Hack** to assistant executive director/chief academic officer;
- a revised substitute aide rate increase due to a compensation re-evaluation;
- employment of three part-time, non-instructional employees: **Emma Cromley**, as nutrition aide/custodian, **Devyn A. de Castro**, as Head Start instructor-substitute, and **Gabrielle McDowell**, as Pre-K Counts career and technical education intern;
- a change in start and end dates for one part-time employee: **Isaac L. Schaffer-Neitz**, computer programmer intern, start from June 18, 2026 to June 22, 2026, and end from Aug. 31, 2026 to Dec. 18, 2026;
- resignations from two part-time employees: **Collin T. Geise**, as student mental health intern, and **Tiara N. Outzen**, as staff accountant; and
- employment of 51 substitute teachers and 11 substitute aides for the 2026-27 school year.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS MATTERS

Directors approved an Agreement of Lease with The Very Reverend Richard J. Mowery, Pastor of St. Columba Church, Bloomsburg, in Trust for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg, for office and classroom space located at 331 Center Street, Bloomsburg, to be used for the Beyond Boundaries program.

Directors also approved:

- a new lease agreement with Mark W. and Gretchen G. Walberg, Sunbury, for currently leased office and classroom space located at 801 Susquehanna Avenue, Sunbury, to be used for the Five Star program;
- a change order with Gordian, Greenville, S.C., for additional materials and labor costs related to the solar farm project; and
- a contract with Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc., Beachwood, Ohio, to perform window and brick maintenance at the CSIU central office.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM MATTERS

Directors approved the following items for Head Start/Early Head Start: the monthly reports for April, May and June 2026, the 2026-27 Application for Year Two Funding Summary, and the Northumberland Area Head Start Video Surveillance in Facilities Guidelines.

Directors also approved:

- the Pre-K Counts Flexible Instruction Plan;
- the Pennsylvania Pre-K Counts Emergency Instructional Time Template;
- a contract with T&R Enterprises of Lewisburg, Inc., T/A Kidsworld Therapy Services, Catawissa, to provide consultative occupational therapy services for CSIU programs; and
- two school bus and van drivers for the CSIU's student transportation programs for the 2026-27 school year.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for **Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2026**, at 7 p.m. at the CSIU central office.