

## CENTRAL SUSQUEHANNA INTERMEDIATE UNIT

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

NOVEMBER 2016

### DIRECTORS

**Benton Area:**

Kathleen DeYong

**Berwick Area:**

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President

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**Shikellamy:**

Scott Karpinski

**Southern Columbia Area:**

Thomas Reich

**Warrior Run:**

Douglas L. Whitmoyer

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

### FISCAL MATTERS

Directors accepted monthly financial reports and approved October payment requests.

Directors also approved:

- Keystone Purchasing Network Definite Quantity Line-Item Bids;
- facilities use agreements for preschool programs and the LPN Center;
- contracts and agreements with National School Public Relations Association; Blackboard K-12; Robots4Autism; Sweet, Stevens, Katz and Williams, LLP; Lynda.com; and Dellicker Strategies, LLC;
- PSBA's quote for renewal of CSIU's school leaders' legal liability, privacy and network liability, and technology professional liability insurance policies; and
- PSBA's addendum to agreement for services with Global Data consultants, LLC.

### PERSONNEL MATTERS

Directors elected four new staff members:

- Heather Andrews, as career counselor specialist;
- Angela Combs, as Head Start instructor;
- Keith Ferguson, as one-on-one aide; and
- Lynne Ivory, as special education teacher.

Directors also approved:

- change of hire date for Michael Lord, as behavior support consultant;
- staff transfer of Melanie Haas from part-time to a full-time adult education case manager;
- stipend payment for John Mordan, corrections education-science teacher, who served as a teacher mentor during the 2015-16 school year;
- stipend payment corrections for Teresa Erb and Jeffrey Kiss, both alternative education teachers, who are serving as lead teachers during the 2016-17 school year; and
- substitute teachers for the 2016-17 school year.

Directors accepted the following resignations:

- Timothy Gilliom, retiring as home and school visitor;
- Geraldine Swank, retiring as Early Intervention instructional assistant; and
- Brianne Witmer, as assistant instructor.

Directors also approved:

- Modified and Supplemental Statement of Charges for Employee No. 16-1395;
- designation of CSIU confidential positions; and
- classification of exempt and non-exempt employees within the CSIU.



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## **POLICY AND PROGRAM MATTERS**

Directors approved at first reading the following policies.

### Section: 100 Programs

- 100 Program of Services
- 100.1 Comprehensive Planning
- 101 Mission Statement
- 102 Academic Standards
- 103 Nondiscrimination in Educational Programs/Services
- 103.1 Nondiscrimination – Qualified Students With Disabilities
- 104 Nondiscrimination in Employment and Contract Practices
- 105 Curriculum
- 105.1 Review of Instructional Materials by Parents/Guardians and Students
- 105.2 Exemption From Instruction
- 108 Adoption of Textbooks
- 109 Instructional Materials
- 113 Special Education
- 113.1 Discipline of Students With Disabilities
- 113.2 Behavior Support
- 113.3 Screening and Evaluations for Students With Disabilities
- 113.4 Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information
- 113.5 Early Intervention
- 121 Field Trips
- 122 Equal Access
- 125 Adult Education
- 127 Assessment System
- 138 English as a Second Language/Bilingual Education Program
- 142 Migrant Students
- 146 Student Services

Directors also approved at second reading the following policies: Section 000 Board Procedures: 007 Policy Manual Access; Section 300 Employees: 336 Personal Necessity Leave; and Section 800 Operations: 827 Conflict of Interest.

Directors acknowledged and approved the following for Head Start/Early Head Start: CSIU Board Monthly Report for September 2016, as well as the purchase of a school bus and submission of a Post Award Budget Revision for funding of the bus.

## **BOARD GOVERNANCE**

CSIU directors approved a mail ballot for the 2017 election of CSIU board members and for action on the CSIU's 2017-18 general operating budget. Districts may petition the CSIU Board to hold a convention instead, but requests must be received from a majority of districts (nine) before Feb. 1, 2017.

Five terms on the CSIU Board will expire June 30, 2017: Berwick Area; Bloomsburg Area, Central Columbia, Midd–West and Shikellamy. Those district boards will be eligible to nominate a director during March and April 2017. All CSIU-region boards will cast votes in May and June on the five nominees, who would begin a three-year term July 1.

## **WORK STUDY SESSION**

**Terri Locke**, Early Intervention Preschool programs supervisor, introduced **Patricia Edwards**, Head Start programs manager, who trained directors on Head Start/Early Head Start Performance Standards, Program Governance and Eligibility Determination.

## **SPOTLIGHT SEGMENT**

Pinnacle Place Director **Kim Eroh** and **Tammy Sempko**, house manager, gave an overview of the program and the opportunities used to teach young mothers. **Amanda Samms**, who has resided at Pinnacle Place for the past year, spoke about her experiences and the value of the program.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the CSIU central office.