

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

NOVEMBER 2015

DIRECTORS

Benton Area:

Brandon Hartman

Berwick Area:

Daniel F. McGann,
Secretary

Bloomsburg Area:

Leo "Joe" Yodock

Central Columbia:

Bruce E. Rhoads,
Vice President

Danville Area:

David Weader

Lewisburg Area:

Tera Unzicker-Fassero

Line Mountain:

Lawrence I. Neidig,
Treasurer

Midd-West:

Victor L. Abate

Mifflinburg Area:

Dennis Keiser

Millville Area:

Larry Breech

Milton Area:

Belinda Stefl

Mount Carmel Area:

William Brecker

Selinsgrove Area:

Larry Augustine,
President

Shamokin Area:

Jeffrey Kashner

Shikellamy:

James Hartman

Southern Columbia Area:

Thomas Reich

Warrior Run:

Douglas L. Whitmoyer

The CSIU Board of Directors conducted its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 18 at the CSIU central office.

RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING DIRECTORS

The executive director and board president recognized outgoing CSIU directors, **Belinda Stefl** (Milton Area) and **James Hartman** (Shikellamy), for serving on various committees during their two years of service. **Larry Breech** (Millville Area) also was recognized for his combined 15 years of service to the board. In addition to his committee service, Mr. Breech also served as board president, vice president and treasurer.

STATEMENT OF CSIU EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Sharon Beagle, vice president of the CSIU Education Association, read a prepared statement regarding ongoing negotiations. The statement was prepared by Vicki Frace, president of the CSIU Education Association, who was unable to attend.

FISCAL MATTERS

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

Directors also approved...

- the list of 2015 PEPPM Managed Print Solution Bid Awards and Keystone Purchasing Network Definite Quantify Line-Item Bids;
- renewal of the Pennsylvania Trust Support Services Agreement for the period of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016;
- PSBA's quote for renewal of CSIU's general liability, auto and umbrella insurance policies for the period Dec. 1, 2015 through Nov. 30, 2016; and
- the purchase of licensing for Lynda.com for all CSIU employees to access between Dec. 1, 2015 and Nov. 30, 2016.

PERSONNEL

Directors elected seven new staff members:

- Tara Amerman, as one-on-one aide;
- Vickie Brown, as aide;
- Tanya Dynda, as technology integration support specialist;
- Nichole Fisher, as youth development coordinator;
- William Simpson, as educational program supervisor;
- Kelly Thomas, as assistant instructor; and
- Brooke Young, as corrections education-school psychologist.



Directors also approved the following:

- Richard Scarantino as substitute teacher for the 2015-16 school year;
- a memorandum of understanding for William Simpson;
- continuation of employment for Susan Blyth as curriculum services project manager through Dec. 31, 2015 or longer, as specifically outlined; and
- salary adjustments for three LPN Career Center staff members.

Directors also accepted the following resignations:

- Cathy Cydis, as Early intervention instructional assistant;
- Rebecca Eves, as WATCH Project case manager;
- Ana Garcia, as Migrant Education student support technical specialist;
- Carolyn Gilroy, retiring as special education teacher;
- Amy Morton, retiring as chief academic officer; and
- Eric Nace, as corrections education teacher.

BOARD GOVERNANCE

CSIU directors approved a mail ballot for the 2016 election of CSIU board members and for action on the CSIU's 2016-17 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, 2016.

Six terms on the CSIU Board will end June 30, 2016: 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 2016. The names of the nominees are then voted on by all CSIU region directors during May and June 2016 before their appointment to a three-year term beginning July 1, 2016.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Directors approved an addition to the listing of CSIU's current legal advisors, which was approved in May 2015.

WORK-STUDY SESSION

Prior to the business meeting, **Matthew Schwenk**, corrections education program supervisor at North Central Secure Treatment Unit, provided information about the educational program administered by the CSIU. In addition to academic services, the CSIU also provides therapeutic and behavioral support. The 30 staff members serve 200 incarcerated youth, and through education, they help to support the restoration of Pennsylvania communities impacted by juvenile crime.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the CSIU central office.