

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

APRIL 2016

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The CSIU Board of Directors conducted its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 20 at the CSIU central office.

TECHNOLOGY ADVANTAGE INC.

CSIU Director **Tera Unzicker-Fassero** was appointed as a representative to the Technology Advantage Inc. board.

CSIU BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2016-17

Directors set the 2016-17 schedule for CSIU Board of Directors' meetings to be held at the CSIU central office beginning at 7:30 p.m. Unless otherwise noted, all meetings will be held the third Wednesday of the month.

July 20, 2016	November 16	March 15
No August Meeting	December 14 (2 nd Wednesday)	April 19
September 21	January 18, 2017	May 17
October 19	February 15	June 21

WORK-STUDY SESSION

CARES TEAM

Chief Academic Officer **Amy Morton** provided an overview of the program and services administered by the Curriculum, Assessment and Regional Education Services team. **Rae Ann Crispell**, curriculum services coordinator, shared success stories of the clients served by the Hybrid Learning Institute, EduPlanet21 and Pre-Service Differently, which are just a few of the curriculum and professional learning initiatives. **Katherine Vastine**, WATCH Project program manager and CARES Team leadership coordinator, relayed examples of positive outcomes of outreach programs, including those that support teen parents on their way to completing their education, gaining employment and becoming responsible members of our communities. The Special Education and Early Childhood programs will be under the direction of the chief academic officer in the upcoming school year, and will round out the list of education services provided by the CARES team.

CSIU GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET

In February, CSIU directors gave their initial approval of the preliminary 2016-17 CSIU General Operating Budget (GOB) of \$1,073,846 for services provided primarily to member school districts on a fee basis. It was then released to district boards for their consideration before final adoption by the CSIU board, which occurred at the April meeting.

Following are the results of the district votes:

- all 17 district boards approved the CSIU's GOB;
- at the time of voting, 94 percent of all district directors were present; and
- of the total votes received, 144 directors were in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstained.



SPOTLIGHT SEGMENT

Rae Ann Crispell, curriculum services coordinator, highlighted information about the K'Nex STEM Design Challenge, which involved 170 students over two days. Twelve of the regions' districts and two non-public schools were represented in the competition.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Wednesday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the CSIU central office.

FISCAL MATTERS

CSIU directors accepted monthly financial reports and approved payment requests for March. Directors also approved the Easy Procure purchasing card program and an agreement with Hunt Engineers, Architects & Land Surveyors, PC, to provide a Building Condition Survey and prepare a Five-Year Capital Facilities Plan.

PERSONNEL MATTERS

Directors elected five new staff members:

- Charles Bomboy, Jr., as corrections education program supervisor;
- Jamie Brent, as Early Head Start senior instructor;
- Dr. John Kurelja, as chief academic officer;
- Melodee Leshner, as corrections education teacher; and
- Ellen Wilhour, as payroll coordinator.

Directors approved Bethann Ledezma as substitute teacher and Pamela Hooper-Begis and Sherrill Miller as substitute aides.

Directors accepted the following resignations:

- Carol Barbarich, retiring as director of the Central Susquehanna LPN Career Center;
- Terry Brown, retiring as facilities support senior technician;
- Marilyn Calderon, as Migrant Education after school and online learning instructor;
- Tricia Haines, as program supervisor/special education projects administrator; and
- Charmaine Humphrey, retiring as Early Intervention instructional assistant.

Directors also approved the following:

- salary adjustments and position titles for full-time, non-bargaining unit staff members, which includes a salary increase of three percent;
- salary adjustments and position titles for Head Start and Early Head Start staff members, which includes a salary increase of three percent;
- a contract with People Admin for online TalentEd Recruit & Hire System;
- the Modified and Supplemental Statement of Charges to be sent to Employee No. 16-1400;
- an employment contract for Marcia Hoffman, director of human resources; and
- a position transfer for Sharon McIntyre, to WATCH Project employment development specialist.

POLICY AND PROGRAM MATTERS

Directors approved the second reading of Board Policy No. 806 Child Abuse and the first reading of Section 300 Policies–Employees (Policies No. 302–351).

Directors also appointed Marcia Hoffman, HR director, to represent CSIU as trustee of CS Trust; the contract with Snyder Union Mifflin Child Development, Inc. to provide personnel support; and submission of the Assurance for the Operation of Special Education Services and Programs/Quality Space for 2016-17 School Year.