

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

NOVEMBER 2018

The CSIU Board of Directors conducted its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 14 at the CSIU central office.

## DIRECTORS

### **Benton Area:**

Kathleen DeYong

### **Berwick Area:**

Daniel F. McGann,  
Secretary

### **Bloomsburg Area:**

Jonathan Jones

### **Central Columbia:**

Bruce E. Rhoads,  
Vice President

### **Danville Area:**

Heather Hackenberg

### **Lewisburg Area:**

Mary Ann Stanton

### **Line Mountain:**

Lawrence I. Neidig

### **Midd-West:**

Victor L. Abate

### **Mifflinburg Area:**

Dennis Keiser

### **Millville Area:**

Deborah Price

### **Milton Area:**

Dr. Alvin Weaver

### **Mount Carmel Area:**

William Brecker

### **Selinsgrove Area:**

Larry D. Augustine,  
President

### **Shamokin Area:**

Jeffrey Kashner

### **Shikellamy:**

Slade Shreck

### **Southern Columbia Area:**

Joseph Klebon,  
Treasurer

### **Warrior Run:**

Tamara Hoffman

## WORK STUDY SESSION

**Jeff Kay**, special projects technology manager, and **David Newberry**, telecommunications technology network consultant, presented on the initiatives of the CSIU media services team, including video production, live streaming services and student learning opportunities. They shared a brief video of local students participating in a voice-over project for the Toy Story movie as an example of some of the technology available to the 17 school districts. A tour of the studio and sound room also were provided to the Directors and guests in attendance.

## SPOTLIGHT SEGMENT

A computer software update was provided by **John Wargo**, manager of Computer Services. He reported that 88 percent of the local districts use at least one of the CSIU's computer software products (student and financial information systems), and more than 20,000 connections occur on any given school day. Computer Services is currently looking into cyber security as the next product to be offered to districts.

## BUDGET AND FINANCE MATTERS

CSIU directors accepted monthly financial reports and approved payment requests for October. Directors also approved insurance policy renewals, effective Dec. 1, 2018 through Nov. 30, 2019; purchase of a passenger van to support the EdEx mail delivery program and students/programs at Work Foundations<sup>+</sup>; transfer of funds from facilities budget to the Pinnacle Place local budget; contract renewal for Lynda.com professional development through Nov. 30, 2019; and payment of software license fee for Forecast5 5Sight.

## TECHNOLOGY/MARKETPLACE MATTERS

Directors approved the PEPPM Apple and Product Line bid awards, effective Jan. 1, 2019 through Dec. 31, 2021. Directors also approved Keystone Purchasing Network definite quantity line-item bids for the 2018-19 purchasing cycle and the State Joint Purchasing Agreement between the CSIU and the Pennsylvania Department of Education, effective Jan. 1, 2019 through Dec. 31, 2021.

## HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS

Directors approved five new staff members:

- **Robert J. Beierschmitt**, special education teacher;
- **Brittany A. Bortz**, Head Start instructor;
- **Mary A. Buczkowski**, aide;
- **Brian L. Snyder**, director of Human Resources, and
- **Donna F. Walter**, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers operations and data coordinator.

Directors approved:

the following position transfers:

- **Tehani Grenell**, to classroom assistant;
- **Tommy L. Hutt**, to Head Start assistant instructor;
- **Christina A. Pulman**, to Migrant Education program student support/ESL – diploma project coordinator; and
- **Ellen C. Wilhour**, to payroll supervisor.

the following resignations:

- **Deborah S. Barry**, retiring as CSC project and resource development assistant;
- **Jennifer E. Martina**, office assistant;
- **Amy E. Weller**, Early Childhood administrative assistant; and
- **Heather A. White**, client support specialist I.

Directors also approved:

- employment of one part-time, non-instructional employee: **Robert L. Taylor**, school bus rider;
- two substitute teachers; and
- an increase of the annual monetary incentive distribution for full-time, non-bargaining staff, effective Jan. 1, 2019.

## **BUILDING AND GROUNDS MATTERS**

Directors approved a contract with Strosser/Baer Architects, LLC to develop design and bid specifications for a new fire alarm system in the CSIU's main building.

## **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM MATTERS**

Directors affirmed action for the Head Start amendment to increase program hours and the annual report to the public for 2017-18. Directors also approved the Monthly Report for September 2018.

## **BOARD GOVERNANCE**

CSIU directors approved a mail ballot for the 2019 election of CSIU board members and for action on the CSIU's 2019-20 general operating budget. Districts may petition the CSIU Board to hold a convention in lieu of the mail ballot, but requests must be received from a majority of districts (nine) before Feb. 1, 2019.

Eight terms on the CSIU Board will end June 30, 2019: Benton Area, Danville Area, Line Mountain, Millville Area, Milton Area, Mount Carmel Area, Southern Columbia Area and Warrior Run. Those district boards will be eligible to nominate a director during March and April. All CSIU-region boards will cast votes in May and June on the eight nominees, who would begin a three-year term on July 1.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for **Wednesday, Dec. 19** at 7 p.m. at the CSIU central office.