

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2019

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

WORK STUDY SESSION

Dr. John Kurelja, Assistant Executive Director/Chief Academic Officer, provided the Board with an update on the community college effort that led to the opening of the Susquehanna Valley Campus of Luzerne County Community College at Watsonstown Elementary School. He also discussed the important role community colleges play in the economic development of an area.

SPOTLIGHT SEGMENT

CSIU staff member **Christina Herman**, Career Ready Specialist and PDE Liaison, highlighted the CSIU's Educator in the Workplace program. Through a grant awarded to the CSIU, participants include 33 educators (K-12), representing 12 school districts and 43 business locations spanning seven counties. Educator in the Workplace is a partnership between the CSIU, Central Pennsylvania Workforce Development Corporation and PA CareerLink®.

BUDGET AND FINANCE MATTERS

CSIU directors accepted monthly financial reports and approved payment requests for June, July and August. Directors also approved a resolution authorizing the CSIU to make contributions to the PA OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits) Trust to cover future costs and to reduce the CSIU's OPEB liability.

TECHNOLOGY/MARKETPLACE COMMITTEE

Directors approved bid awards for the PEPPM 2019 managed print solutions contracts.

HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS

Directors approved 11 new staff members:

- **Kaitlin R. Brown**, as Pre-K Counts teacher;
- **Tessa Carter**, as Pre-K Counts assistant instructor;
- **Megan L. Fleetwood**, as practical nursing program instructor;
- **Melissa W. Hampton**, as client support specialist;
- **Tara L. Kehler**, as Head Start assistant instructor;
- **Deana Kovilaritch**, as client support specialist;
- **Alexandria E. Lindsey**, as Early Head Start family and social services assistant;
- **Elizabeth A. Martinez**, as Pre-K Counts assistant instructor;
- **Molly C. Nied**, as director of academic programs;
- **Christine A. Reedy**, as an aide; and
- **Jami Vankirk**, as an aide.

Directors approved:

the following position transfers:

- **Sara J. Boucher**, from Pre-K Counts assistant instructor to Pre-K Counts senior instructor; and
- **Reanna L. Buehler**, from speech therapist (part-time) to speech therapist (full-time)

the following job title correction:

- **Brianna Kunkel**, from 21st Century Community Learning Centers site coordinator to 21st Century Community Learning Centers operations and data coordinator

the following resignations:

- **Melissa A. Amato**, as career counselor specialist;
- **Ashley A. Booth**, as Migrant Education student support coordinator;
- **Patricia G. Edwards**, retiring as Head Start programs manager; and
- **Karen E. Johns**, as human resources administrative assistant.

Directors also approved:

- employment of five part-time, non-instructional employees: **Edward J. Carney, Alissa Deitterick, Faith A. Jones, Rebecca Perruquet**, and **Melissa A. Stout**, as 21st Century Community Learning Centers site coordinators;
- resignations from two part-time employees;
- hire of 6 substitute teachers for the 2019-20 school year; and
- a cumulative list of employees who have attained tenure.

Directors also approved to amend the current employment agreement with Executive Director **Kevin Singer** from 260 workdays per year to 230 workdays per year for the remainder of the employment agreement.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS MATTERS

Directors approved a lease agreement renewal with Sobeck Property Management, LLC and a contract with HUNT Engineers, Architects & Surveyors for a space utilization study.

POLICY MATTERS

Directors rescinded the following policies:

- 3515 – Facilities Use
- 3516.1 – Smoking/Tobacco Use

Adopted at second and final reading were the following policies:

- 006 – Meetings
- 104 – Nondiscrimination/Discriminatory Harassment – Employment Practices
- 108 – Adoption of Textbooks
- 204 – Attendance
- 210.1 – Possession/Administration of Asthma Inhalers/Epinephrine Auto-Injectors
- 220 – Student Expression/Distribution and Posting of Materials with attachment
- 222 – Tobacco/Nicotine (Pupils)
- 323 – Tobacco/Nicotine (Employees)
- 619 – Intermediate Unit Audit
- 704 – Maintenance
- 707 – Use of Intermediate Unit Facilities
- 806 – Child Abuse
- 904 – Public Attendance at Intermediate Unit Events with attachment

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Directors approved a list of agreements with Next Century, Inc. for staffing and consulting services for the 2019-20 school year.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. at the CSIU central office.