Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

APRIL 2024

The CSIU Board of Directors conducted its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 17 at Work Foundations+, Sunbury.

SPOTLIGHT SEGMENT

Alan Hack, Assistant Executive Director/Chief Academic Officer, and Terri Locke, Director of Special Education and Alternative Placement, welcomed directors and introduced both staff and students from Work Foundations+. Jessica Harry, Special Education and Off-Site Facilities Support Programs Supervisor, offered directors an overview of the program. Students and their parents shared their positive experiences and expressed gratitude for the support and sense of community fostered by the staff at Work Foundations+.

BUDGET AND FINANCE MATTERS

CSIU directors accepted monthly financial reports and approved payment requests for March 2024 and the CSIU General Operating Budget for 2024-25.

TECHNOLOGY/MARKETPLACE MATTERS

Directors approved Keystone Purchasing Network (KPN) definite quantity line-item bids for copy paper for the 2024-25 purchasing cycle.

HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS

Directors approved nine new staff members:

- Kalicia B. Brungard, as Head Start/Early Head Start family and health team supervisor;
- Nicholas M. Gallinot, as educational consultant;
- Gary Grozier, as educational consultant;
- Mary Rose Latorre, as special education program supervisor;
- Julie Lewellyn, as licensed clinical social worker;
- Jestine L. Myers, as educational consultant;
- Paige Poticher, as summer electronic benefit transfer project specialist;
- Nigel C. Spudes, as administrative assistant; and
- Nadeen M. Swab, as educational consultant.

the following changes in start dates:

- Gina M. Craven, classroom associate, from March 4, 2024 to March 13, 2024; and
- Tara R. Mesler, occupational therapist, from April 1, 2024 to April 3, 2024.

the following resignation:

- Audrey M. Trego, as mental health support specialist.

the following retirements:

- William C. Krohn, as senior client support analyst I; and
- Kathy A. Moyer, as senior systems analyst I.
Directors also approved:

- employment of two part-time, instructional employees: Ariane J. Hoffman, as Head Start family and health coordinator, and Amy L. Moroski, as a physical therapist;
- a resignation from one part-time employee: Elizabeth H. Stence, as a school bus rider;
- employment of one substitute teacher for the 2023-24 school year; and
- a revised substitute aide rate increase due to a compensation re-evaluation.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS MATTERS
Directors approved a paving contract with Gordian through KPN to add additional parking spaces at the Central Susquehanna LPN Career Center.

Directors also approved an equipment lease agreement with Pitney Bowes for a postage meter at the Center for Schools and Communities.

POLICY COMMITTEE MATTERS
Directors approved the following new policy at the second and final reading: 254 – Educational Opportunity for Military Children.

Directors also approved the revised policies at the second and final reading: 201 – Admission of Students; 202 – Eligibility of Nonresident Students; 333 – Professional Development; 810 – Transportation; and 830 – Security of Computerized Personal Information/Breach Notification.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM MATTERS
Directors approved the following items for Head Start and Early Head Start:

- Monthly report for February 2024;
- Work Sampling System Assessment 2023-24; and

Directors also approved:

- the authorization for staff to submit the Assurance for the Operation of Special Education Services and Programs/Quality Space for the 2024-25 school year;
- the renewal of an agreement for pool counsel legal services consultation with Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams LLP;
- transportation contracts with Adam Transportation LLC, Fishing Creek Transportation and Rohrer Bus Service;
- the adoption of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and Pennsylvania Department of Education’s Division of Food Nutrition Child and Adult Care Food Program Policy and Procedure;
- the purchase of 100 Apple iPads for loan to nonpublic schools with limited technology access to integrate educational applications into their curriculum; and
- a contract with NorthEastern Automated Technologies, Inc. through KPN for the purchase and installation of a digital network video recording system at St. Columba School.

NEXT MEETING
The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 7 p.m. at the CSIU central office.