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

NEW BOARD REPRESENTATION

The CSIU Board of Directors welcomed Jody Love as Millville Area School District's recently appointed representative. Bloomsburg Area school board recently appointed Deb Zollmann as its representative, and Benton Area's Board of Directors appointed Kathleen DeYong following the resignation of Brandon Hartman, effective Jan. 26, 2016.

SPOTLIGHT ON WORK FOUNDATIONS +

Students from WF+ showed examples of woodworking projects they repurpose from used pallets, and shared their aspirations for starting a culinary program, as well as a greenhouse and garden at the Alpha Circle facility (across from WF+ in Sunbury). Building trades teacher, Rob Welch, and the students thanked the board for its support of the program.

FISCAL MATTERS

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

Directors also approved lease agreements for the WATCH Project; student transportation contracts and CSIU-operated runs; KPN bid awards and contract extensions; and a wellness initiative for eligible staff.

PERSONNEL

Directors elected four new staff members:
- Vanessa Haydt, as special education teacher;
- Debra Latovich, as assistant instructor;
- Eric Turofski, as corrections education teacher; and
- Anita Williams, as family literacy parent educator.

Directors also approved the following:
- para-educator professional development transfer for Tara Amerman, to one-on-one aide;
- position transfer for Mary Mingle, from adult education community liaison specialist to adult education community liaison supervisor; and
- authorization to approve TCG Administrators/JNT Recourse Partners, LP to be included on the list of approved financial custodians for limited employer non-elective contributions.
Directors accepted the following resignations:

- Michelle Blessing, as family literacy parent educator;
- Megan Messimer, as special education teacher;
- Sandra Murray, retiring as senior receptionist;
- Trina Shinskie, as assistant instructor;
- Matthew Schwenk, Sr., as corrections education program supervisor; and
- Lois Todd, retiring as WATCH Project case manager.

Directors also approved the following senior leader employment agreements:

- John Brenchley, as chief innovation officer;
- Lynn Cromley, as assistant executive director/chief academic officer; and
- Charles Peterson, Jr., as chief financial officer.

POLICY AND PROGRAM MATTERS

Directors approved the Northumberland Area Head Start/Early Head Start Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment, Attendance (ERSEA) Plan and the HS/EHS By-Laws, both with no changes.

Directors also accepted at first reading the following Board Policies:

- No. 000 – Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations
- No. 001 – Name and Classification
- No. 002 – Authority and Powers
- No. 003 – Functions
- No. 004 – Membership
- No. 004.1 – Ethics Act and Conflicts of Interest
- No. 005 – Organization
- No. 006 – Meetings
- No. 006.1 – Attendance at Meetings Via Electronic Communications
- No. 007 – Policy Manual Access
- No. 011 – Principles for Governance and Leadership

Directors also approved settlement of a matter concerning a special education student.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the CSIU central office.