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

**SPOTLIGHT ON WORK FOUNDATIONS + AND DIRECTOR RECOGNITION**

Students from WF+ shared their experiences in the program, including working as an aide in a local Early Intervention classroom and being a part of the building trades program. Students are encouraged to seek employment using the skills they acquire while attending WF+. Jessica Harry, Special Education program supervisor; Rob Welch, building trades teacher; and the students thanked the board for its support of the program. The parent of a student also spoke about her daughter’s positive experience during her years at WF+.

During the Spotlight Segment, directors were presented with samples of the work produced by the students in the building trades program at WF+.

**PRELIMINARY 2017-18 CSIU GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET**

Directors gave initial approval to the preliminary 2017-18 CSIU General Operating Budget (GOB) of $1.1 million for services provided primarily to CSIU member school districts on a fee-for-service basis.

The GOB will now be released to district boards for their consideration by April 5 so the CSIU board can take final action at its April 19 meeting. Directors also approved the projected current year GOB of $1.04 million.

**FISCAL MATTERS**

Directors accepted monthly financial reports and approved December payment requests. Directors also approved KPN bid awards and extensions.

**PERSONNEL MATTERS**

Directors elected one new staff member:
- John DuFour, as telecommunications technology specialist.

Directors also approved:
- para-educator professional development transfer for Keith Furguson, to one-on-one instructional support program assistant;
- Carol Gentilucci, as substitute teacher, for the 2016-17 school year;
- the following resignations:
  - Robert Buch, retiring as facilities support senior technician;
  - Judith Carol, retiring as ODR special education coordinator;
  - Darlene Dwyer, retiring as Center for Schools and Communities administrative and project manager;
  - Kelly Erb, as Early Intervention teacher;
  - Ann Garges, retiring as Head Start services assistant; and
  - Brandy Norris, as classroom associate.
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.

Directors also acknowledged and approved the Head Start/Early Head Start Monthly Report for November 2016 as part of the shared governance responsibility by the CSIU Board.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the CSIU central office.