The CSIU Board of Directors conducted its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 19 at the Central Susquehanna LPN Career Center.

WORK-STUDY

Dr. Timothy Campbell, Director of the Central Susquehanna LPN Career Center, provided information to directors regarding the LPN Center, which is approved by the PA State Board of Nursing and accredited by Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing. He also provided a demonstration of the recently purchased Anatomage table, a technologically advanced anatomy visualization system, used to provide students with a state-of-the-art learning support tool for not only anatomy and physiology courses, but also for use in nursing courses throughout the curriculum.

Katherine Vastine, WATCH Project program manager, provided directors with information regarding the Work Attributes Toward Careers in Health (WATCH) that supports participants and their families with education, training, credentialing and employment through a healthcare career pathway. The WATCH Project is funded through a Health Profession Opportunity Grant (HPOG).

SPOTLIGHT SEGMENT

Katherine Vastine introduced Gretchen Heintzelman, WATCH participant, who shared her student success story with directors. Ms. Heintzelman commented that she was able to receive her certified nurse assistant certificate through the WATCH program and later received her licensed practical nursing and registered nurse degrees. She thanked the WATCH Project and her career coordinator for their guidance and support throughout her journey.

BOARD GOVERNANCE

DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT

Directors approved Dr. Yohannes Getachew, Danville Area School District, as its CSIU Board representative to complete the balance of an unexpired term, effective Feb. 20, 2020 through the December 2020 district reorganization meeting.

BUDGET AND FINANCE MATTERS

CSIU directors accepted monthly financial reports and approved payment requests for January 2020.

TECHNOLOGY/MARKETPLACE MATTERS

Directors approved Keystone Purchasing Network (KPN) definite quantity line-item bid awards for athletic supply (July 2020 delivery); cafeteria supply (July 2020 delivery); and custodial supply (June 2020 delivery) categories.

HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS

Directors approved one new staff member:

- Aryn Ewig, as Head Start assistant instructor.

Directors also approved the following position transfers:

- Leah C. Galkowski, from Safe Schools coordinator (part-time) to Safe Schools coordinator (full-time);

- Lyndi S. Hertzler, from senior client support specialist I to Financial Information System (FIS) implementation/analysis facilitator;
• Nicole D. Hill, from Early Intervention teaching assistant to Early Intervention instructional assistant;
• Misty L. Lose, from Head Start instructor to Early Intervention teacher; and
• Brian J. Paulhamus, from technical support consultant II to information security officer.
the following resignations:
• Kellie J. Bingaman, as Head Start assistant instructor;
• Gaye R. Jenkins, as WATCH Project career coordinator;
• Jeffrey L. Kimball, retiring as cooperative purchasing services director;
• Karla D. Procopio, as workforce outreach specialist;
• Hannah G. Sherwood, as staff accountant; and
• Nancy J. Zaborowski, retiring as data entry and driver education assistant.

Directors also approved the following:
• employment of one part-time, non-instructional employee: Addison J. Yoder, as Migrant Education after-school instructor;
• resignation of one part-time employee;
• employment of three substitute teachers;
• addition of one employee mentor recommendation for the 2019-20 New Teacher Induction Program; and
• a 2020-21 holiday schedule for 12-month, non-instructional staff.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS MATTERS
Directors approved a monthly rate increase for a lease agreement with Union County Housing Authority and a contract with Schoonover Plumbing and Heating to install two new heat pumps in the central office.

POLICY MATTERS
Directors accepted first reading of the following proposed policy revisions: 004 – Membership; 138 – Language Instruction Educational Program for English Learners; 335 – Family and Medical Leaves; 610 – Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation; 913 – Non-school Organizations/Groups/Individuals; and new policy 890 – Information Protection Policy.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM MATTERS
Directors approved the Head Start and Early Head Start the purchase of a Maico easy Screen ABR hearing screener; monthly report for December 2019; and a contract with Elite Educational and Therapeutic Support Services, LLC for evaluation services.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS
Directors approved the appointment of Dr. John Kurelja to the following positions, effective March 9, 2020: Right-to-Know Officer; CSIU representative to the Central Susquehanna Region School Employees’ Health and Welfare Trust Board of Trustees; and School Safety and Security Coordinator.

NEXT MEETING
The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 7 p.m. at the CSIU central office.