The CSIU Board of Directors conducted its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 22 at the CSIU central office.

BOARD RECOGNITION

Anthony Serafini, special education and special projects supervisor, and Kara Druckenmiller, special education teacher, provided information regarding the Lewisburg Dragon Coffee Masters program, which is comprised of students who attend the CSIU Autistic Support classroom. These students run a specialty coffee/drink store for staff and students at the Lewisburg Area High School. Directors were provided with complimentary specialty beverages in recognition of School Director Recognition Month.

Directors were also presented with samples of work produced by students at Work Foundations + as gifts in recognition of their service on the CSIU Board. Jessica Harry, special education program supervisor, Robert Welch, building trades teacher, and two students from Work Foundations + provided directors with information regarding the process used to create their gifts.

SPOTLIGHT SEGMENT

Kevin Kilgus, director of financial services, presented the CSIU’s 2019-20 and 2020-21 Preliminary General Operating Budgets for director’s consideration. Mr. Kilgus reported that costs were based on salary and benefit information for the guest teacher, incarcerated youth and alternative placement programs. He also mentioned that approval of the CSIU’s Preliminary 2020-21 CSIU General Operating Budget (GOB) will not obligate any district to purchase CSIU programs and services for 2020-21.

BOARD GOVERNANCE

DIRECTOR APPOINTMENTS

Directors approved Mr. Gregory Klebon, Southern Columbia Area School District, as its CSIU Board representative to complete the current term of Mr. Joseph Klebon, effective Jan. 22, 2020 through June 30, 2022. Mr. Gregory Klebon was originally approved at the Dec. 18, 2019 Board meeting without proper action from his home district.

Directors also approved Ms. Susy Wiegand, Berwick Area School District, as its CSIU Board representative to complete the balance of an unexpired term, effective Jan. 22, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

BUDGET AND FINANCE MATTERS

CSIU directors accepted monthly financial reports and approved payment requests for December. Directors also approved the CSIU Revised 2019-20 and Proposed 2020-21 General Operating Budgets.

TECHNOLOGY/MARKETPLACE MATTERS

Directors approved Keystone Purchasing Network (KPN) indefinite quantity bid awards for grandstand and stadium seating, loose and installed athletic equipment, site furniture and security hardware; KPN contract extensions for food service equipment and supplies, and educational and classroom furniture, effective March 1, 2020 through Feb. 28, 2021; and KPN indefinite quantity bid awards for security cameras, digital resources and instructional materials.

HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS

Directors approved three new staff members:

• Elizabeth G. Burrell, as teacher of visually impaired;
• Renee K. Tate, as Corrections Education – cosmetology teacher; and
• McKenna Moynan, as Head Start family and health coordinator.

Directors approved the following:

position transfers:
• Amy K. Acornley, to Pre-K Counts associate instructor II;
• Stephanie A. Ensanian, to Early Intervention program associate;
• Denise L. Gonsar, to Pre-K Counts associate instructor II;
• Katherine A. Lapotsky, to program associate;
• Jennifer D. Pretz, to Early Intervention program associate;
• Kimberly A. Renz, to career pathways specialist;
• Jan A. Scherer, to statewide adoption and permanency network helpline lead coordinator; and
• Jami K. Vankirk, to classroom assistant.

title changes:
• Tessa N. Carter, to Pre-K Counts assistant instructor II;
• Danielle M. Hollenbach, to Pre-K Counts assistant instructor II; and
• Elizabeth A. Martinez, to Pre-K Counts assistant instructor II.

resignations:
• Sally J. Canazaro, special projects coordinator;
• Miranda L. Kepler, speech therapist; and
• Joyce E. Schaeffer, client support analyst III.

change in resignation date:

Directors also approved:

• resignation of one part-time employee;
• employment of one long-term substitute teacher and two substitute teachers for the 2019-20 school year; and
• a consulting contract with JDugan Employee Relations, LLC.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM MATTERS

Directors approved the Head Start and Early Head Start revised Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment and Attendance (ERSEA) Plan and monitoring data for November 2019.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2020 at 7 p.m. at the Central Susquehanna LPN Career Center; 1339 St. Mary Street; Lewisburg.