

# **BLAIR COUNTY SALARY BOARD**

c/o Blair County Controller, 423 Allegheny St., Ste 141 Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

# Blair County Salary Board Meeting of August 18, 2021 2:00 PM In Conference Room 2B

#### **Board Members in Attendance:**

Commissioner Bruce Erb, Controller A.C. Stickel, Commissioner Amy Webster

#### **Board Members not in Attendance:**

Commissioner Laura Burke

**Quorum:** Present

Non-Board Members in Attendance: Sarah Chuff, Cris Fredrickson, Nicole Hemminger, Trina Illig, Judge Daniel Milliron<sup>1</sup>, Janice Meadows, Jenn Sleppy, Public Defender Russell Montgomery<sup>2</sup>, Deawna Wyandt, Katherine Swigart, District Attorney Peter Weeks<sup>3</sup>

Media in Attendance: Kay Stephens, Altoona

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**Call to Order:** Commissioner Erb called the meeting to order at 2: 00 p.m.

The roll was called by Tracy Miller.

**Call for Public Comment:** Commissioner Erb called for public comment on Salary Board items. There was no comment at this time.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Controller Stickel and seconded by Commissioner Webster that the minutes from the August 6, 2021 meeting be approved. The motion was unanimously carried.

Judge Milliron's Office Requested by President Judge Elizabeth A. Doyle Law Clerk Judge Milliron moved to re-create this position within the S5 hiring range (\$41, 609.53 to \$44,938.29). This position is Non-Union, Excluded (Salary). Full-Time at 35 hours per week. This vacancy is due to Devin Bennati's promotion to Assistant Public Defender effective 8/16/2021. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Judge is a voting member of the board for items in that office.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Public Defender is a voting member of the board for items in that office.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The District Attorney is a voting member of the board for items in that office.

# District Court, MDJ Aigner's Office

## Requested by President Judge Elizabeth A. Doyle

<u>District Court Administrative Support</u> Judge Milliron moved to re-create this position. This position is UMWA-Court, Non-Exempt (Hourly). Full-Time at 35 hours per week with an hourly rate of \$10.5063, \$735.44 estimated bi-weekly, \$19,121.47 estimated annually. This vacancy is due to Lori Kuhns transferring to the same position at MDJ DeAntonio's Office effective 8/30/2021. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

# District Court, MDJ DeAntonio's Office

## Requested by President Judge Elizabeth A. Doyle

<u>District Court Administrative Support</u> Judge Milliron moved to retain salary. This position is UMWA-Court, Non-Exempt (Hourly). Full-Time at 35 hours per week. Lori Kuhns will move from MDJ Aigner's Office to MDJ DeAntonio's Office effective August 30, 2021. Her current wage is \$10.6376 an hour, \$744.63 estimated bi-weekly, \$19,360.43 estimated annually. This is above the \$10.5063 start for this title. UMWA has approved Lori retaining her current wage. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

#### **District Attorney's Office**

### Requested by District Attorney Peter J. Weeks

<u>Detective</u> District Attorney Weeks moved to abolish the Detective position which will be reworked and created into a proposed Chief Detective position. This position is Non-Union, Non-Exempt (Hourly). Full-Time at 35 hours per week. The Detective position was vacated by Randy Feathers who retired effective 7/2/2021. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

#### **District Attorney's Office**

### Requested by District Attorney Peter J. Weeks

<u>Chief Detective</u> District Attorney Weeks moved to create this position within the H17 hiring range (\$22.92 to \$24.75/hour). This position is Non-Union, Non-Exempt (Hourly). Full-Time at 35 hours per week. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried. Controller Stickel stated it is important to note vacancies do not necessarily create budget availability, but this is an important position and should be filled.

#### **Public Defender's Office**

#### Requested by Public Defender Russell Montgomey

<u>Assistant Public Defender Public Defender Montgomery moved to re-create this position.</u> This position is SEIU-ADA APD, Excluded (Salary). Full-Time at 35 hours per week with a bi-weekly rate of \$1,730.77, \$45,000.02 annually. This vacancy is due to the termination of Patrick Miller effective 8/3/2021. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

#### **Public Defender's Office**

#### Requested by Public Defender Russell Montgomey

Administrative Support Public Defender Montgomery moved to change the status of this position from Part-Time to Full-Time. This position is UMWA-Court, Non-Exempt (Hourly). 35 hours per week with an hourly rate of \$10.5063, \$735.44 estimated bi-weekly, and \$19,121.44 estimated annually. Marina Bennetti is currently Part-Time and would move to Full-Time upon approval. There would be no change in rate. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried. Controller Stickel stated this position was budgeted as Full-Time.

#### Children, Youth, and Families

#### Requested by James Hudack, Director

<u>Fiscal Assistant</u> Commissioner Erb moved to re-create this position. This position is PSSU, Non-Exempt (Hourly). This position is Full-Time at 37.50 per week with an hourly rate of \$11.4500, \$858.75 estimated bi-weekly, \$22,327.50 estimated annually. This position is covered by 80% State and 20% County contributions. This vacancy is due to Sonya Delozier's promotion to Fiscal Technician effective 3/13/2021. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

#### Children, Youth, and Families

#### Requested by James Hudack, Director

<u>Program Specialist</u> Commissioner Erb moved to re-create this position within the S7 hiring range (\$45,004.87 to \$48,605.26). This position is Non-Union, Exempt (Salary). Full-Time at 35 hours per week. This position is covered by 80% State and 20% County contributions. This vacancy is due to Angie Best's promotion to Casework Manager effective 7/31/2021. Controller Stickel seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

#### **Social Services**

#### Requested by James Hudack, Director

<u>Grants Specialist</u> Commissioner Erb moved re-create this position within the H9 hiring range (\$15.51 to \$17.06/hour). This position is Non-Union, Non-Exempt (Hourly). Full-Time at 35 hours per week. This position will be covered by funding outside the general fund. This vacancy is due to the resignation of Christina Stacey effective 7/30/2021. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

#### 911 Emergency Management

#### Requested by Cris Fredrickson

<u>Administrative Support</u> Commissioner Webster moved to re-create this position within the H4 hiring range (\$12.16 to \$13.37/hour). This position is Non-Union, Non-Exempt (Hourly). Full-Time at 35 hours per week. This vacancy is due to Sandy Holencik transferring to Human Resources effective 8/16/2021. Controller Stickel seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

#### **Human Resources**

#### Requested by Katherine Swigart, Director

Generalist Commissioner Erb moved to re-create this position within the H13 hiring range (\$18.86 to \$20.37/Hour). This position is Non-Union, Non-Exempt (Hourly). Full-Time at 35 hours per week. This vacancy is due to the resignation of McKayla Showalter effective 07/16/2021. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

The next Regular Salary Board Meeting will be held on September 1, 2021 @ 10:00 AM

In the Commissioners' Public Meeting Room

Respectfully Submitted,

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Secretary