

BOARD MINUTES
Rising Sun-Ohio County Community School Corporation
November 17, 2016

The regular session of the Board of School Trustees was held as advertised on November 17, 2016 at 6:30 P.M. in the administration building. Members present were Gary Kinnett, Melissa Morris, Connie Smith, Corey Potts, William Hayes and Superintendent Branden Roeder. Also present were Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Tim Hillman, Chandra Mattingley, Macy Elliott, Mike Vecchiola, Angelo Gallegos, Tristan Brown, Claire Blackwell, Kyla Willhite, Jacqueline Stapleton, Claire Poling, Chelby Taulbee, Jacob Grace, Nathan Siekman, Baylie Hunter, and Chad Ackman.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from the October 20, 2016 board meeting were reviewed. Upon motion by William Hayes and seconded by Gary Kinnett, members voted as follows: Aye – William Hayes, Gary Kinnett, Connie Smith, Melissa Morris, and Corey Potts.

Claims were reviewed. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by William Hayes to approve the claims as presented, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, William Hayes, Melissa Morris, Gary Kinnett, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder presented The Shiner Showcase which spotlights recent events within the school system.

Mr. Roeder requested permission to post the OCEMS principal position. Upon motion by William Hayes and seconded by Gary Kinnett to approve the request, members voted as follows: Aye – William Hayes, Gary Kinnett, Melissa Morris, Connie Smith, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder recommended adding one personal day to the OCEMS assistant principal contract. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Melissa Morris, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Melissa Morris, Gary Kinnett, William Hayes, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder recommended amending the non-certified staff salary ordinance to switch the Corporation Treasurer and the Maintenance Director from salary positions to hourly positions due to changes in federal guidelines. Upon motion by Gary Kinnett and seconded by William Hayes to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Gary Kinnett, William Hayes, Melissa Morris, Connie Smith, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder requested permission to post the middle school baseball coaching position and middle school softball coaching position. Mr. Potts stated that these positions were included in this year's negotiations with the teacher union. Upon motion by Gary Kinnett and seconded by Connie Smith to approve the request, members voted as follows: Aye – Gary Kinnett, Connie Smith, Melissa Morris, William Hayes, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder recommended accepting a resignation letter from Ryan Dunagan as middle school soccer coach and requested permission to post the position. Upon motion by William Hayes and seconded by Connie Smith to approve the recommendation and grant permission to post the position, members voted as follows: Aye – William Hayes, Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Melissa Morris, and Corey Potts. The Board thanked Mr. Dunagan for a job well done.

Mr. Roeder recommended the following extracurricular coaches for the 2017-2018 school year at RSHS:

Erin Gregory-Varsity Volleyball
Ken DeDreu-Assistant Volleyball
Robert Kelnhofer-Varsity Boys' Soccer
Christina Rumsey-Varsity Girls' Soccer
Jason Barth-Assistant Girls' Soccer

Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Gary Kinnett to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: aye – Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, William Hayes, Melissa Morris, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder recommended raising the school contribution for 9-month employees who are taking Plan F health insurance from \$395.00 to \$406.00 due to federal guidelines. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by William Hayes to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, William Hayes, Melissa Morris, Gary Kinnett, and Corey Potts.

The Board conducted the Public Hearing for Superintendent Contract. There were no public comments.

Mr. Roeder presented a request from girls' varsity basketball coach, Abby Friend, to take the team on an overnight trip to Speedway, Indiana for a tournament on December 28. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by William Hayes to grant the request, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, William Hayes, Gary Kinnett, Melissa Morris, and Corey Potts.

Upon request of the Board President, Corey Potts, Mr. Roeder presented a report regarding the tutoring program at RSHS. The program started in 2008 and is in place to assist athletes who currently have failing grades in any of their classes. The program is mandatory and has been successful in helping athletes succeed in the classroom as well as in athletics. The Board thanked Mr. Bostic and Mr. Graham for providing the report.

Mr. Roeder also gave a report on the tracking policy for students are failing any classes. This program is in place for grades 6-12. At OCEMS, parents are contacted if students are failing any classes. Intersession and tutoring are provided. Noon detention is mandatory for students who have not turned in homework. At RSHS, there is a program called GradPoint which helps students catch up in any classes that they have failed. Mr. Potts asked if parents are contact at RSHS if students are failing classes. Mr. Roeder will provide more information at a later date.

Mr. Potts asked how many of our students are required to attend ACDC due to disciplinary concerns resulting in suspension from school. Mr. Roeder stated that for the current school year, the number of students being sent to ACDC has fallen drastically.

The next school board meeting will be held at 5:00 PM on December 8, 2016.

The Board of School Trustees of the Rising Sun-Ohio County Community School Corporation did not discuss any subject matter in executive session other than the topic specified in the public notice.

Upon motion by Melissa Morris and seconded by Connie Smith to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 P.M., members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Melissa Morris, Gary Kinnett, Corey Potts and William Hayes.
