

BOARD MINUTES
Rising Sun-Ohio County Community School Corporation
September 19, 2017

The regular session of the Board of School Trustees was held as advertised on September 19, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. in the administration building. Members present were Gary Kinnett, Connie Smith, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, Corey Potts, and Superintendent Branden Roeder. Also present were Chandra Mattingly, Anna Uhlmansiek, Mark Uhlmansiek, Kevin Livingston, and Tim Stamm.

Minutes from the August 8 and September 7, 2017 board meetings were reviewed. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Renee Cole to approve the minutes as presented, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, Gary Kinnett, and Corey Potts.

Claims were reviewed. Upon motion by Gary Kinnett and seconded by Connie Smith to approve the claims as presented, members voted as follows: Aye – Gary Kinnett, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Connie Smith, and Corey Potts.

Anna Uhlmansiek, FCCLA President for RSHS and for the State of Indiana, was present to thank the Board for their support and for funding her trip to the FCCLA National Conference. Anna qualified to compete at the national level and earned a gold medal. Anna stated that Rising Sun High School has given her many opportunities that she might not have had at a different school. The Board thanked Anna for coming to the meeting and congratulated her on a job well done.

Tim Stamm and Kevin Livingston from Emcor Construction presented the Board with information regarding their company and a possible energy audit. Emcor has toured our facilities and stated that neither of our schools is operating efficiently with regard to energy at this time. If chosen to move forward with a project to save energy, Emcor would offer a Guaranteed Savings Contract and would work with the school to lower energy consumption in the future.

Mr. Roeder recommended Tim Phelps for the 7th grade boys' basketball position, Nathan Pelohowski for 8th grade boys' basketball, and Melissa Davis and Tiffany Carrigan to share the middle school cheerleading position. Mr. Roeder also presented a resignation letter from Barb Smith from the 5th and 6th grade girls' basketball coaching position. Upon motion by Renee Cole and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to approve the recommendation and accept the resignation, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder recommended Brian Graham for boys' JV basketball, Jason Barth for girls' JV basketball, and Jamie Romans for boys' freshman basketball. Upon motion by Andrea Kirkpatrick and seconded by Connie Smith to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Andrea Kirkpatrick, Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Renee Cole, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder recommended the following teachers for fall intersession at OCEMS: Katherine McMonigle, Jennifer Mossburger, Barbara Smith, Karen Chase and Chandra Phillips. He recommended Amy Todd and Sue Walcott for fall intersession at RSHS and Jason Barth and Carol Stapleton for spring intersession at RSHS. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Gary Kinnett, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder presented a request for the Board to allow volunteer coaches for the 2nd-6th grade basketball program to hold practices without a staff member present. The Board held a brief discussion regarding the request and also discussed the absence of a job description for the director of the program. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Gary Kinnett to approve the request with the stipulation that a job description will be developed for the director of the program, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder recommended the following extracurricular sponsors for RSHS:

Science Club – Andrea Levi
Freshman Class – Carrie Bilodeau
Drama Club – Angie Wilson and Tonia Minks
Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA) – Carrie Bilodeau

HOSA is a new club that is being included in teacher negotiations this year.

Upon motion by Renee Cole and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to approve the sponsors and also the new club (HOSA), members voted as follows: Aye – Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder requested permission to pay Caitlin Sauerhage under a supplemental contract to cover some of Carrie Jones' duties while she is on maternity leave. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Gary Kinnett to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder presented a change in the titles of the current cafeteria workers. The new titles are Food Service Director, Food Service Worker I, and Food Service Worker II. Faye Bruce is already the Food Service Director. Mr. Roeder requested hiring Karen Sprague and Theresa Scott in the Food Service Worker I position. The rest of the cafeteria workers will be in the Food Service Worker II category. This change is financially neutral. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Renee Cole to approve the new titles and to hire Karen Sprague and Theresa Scott in the Food Service Worker I category, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Renee Cole, Gary Kinnett, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Corey Potts.

The annual Budget Hearing was held for the 2018 budget. Mr. Roeder reviewed the 2018 budget with the Board.

The Public Hearing for the Capital Projects Fund and the Bus Replacement Fund was also held. Mr. Roeder reviewed the plans for 2018 and presented the Board with the budgets.

Mr. Roeder recommended Hummel Insurance as the corporation's liability insurance carrier for another year. After looking at several different carriers, Hummel Insurance was able to find a savings of \$12,000 for the school. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Gary Kinnett to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Corey Potts.

The Board tabled the School Improvement Plans until a later date.

Mr. Roeder presented the 3 calendar options for the 2018-2019 school year. After a staff vote, Mr. Roeder will present the final option to the Board.

Mr. Roeder presented a thank you note from Veda Walston to the Board members for purchasing her animal at the 4-H auction. The Board members purchased the animal with personal funds, not school funds.

There was not executive session.

The next Board meeting will be October 5 at 6:30 PM. This is the annual Budget Hearing.

Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Gary Kinnett to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 P.M., members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, Gary Kinnett, and Corey Potts.
