

BOARD MINUTES
Rising Sun-Ohio County Community School Corporation
March 12, 2024

The regular session of the Board of School Trustees was held as advertised on March 12, 2024 at 5:02 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: Leanna Phillippe, A. J. and Brittany Phillippe and children, Tim Hillman, Abbey Berkley, Kelli Land, and Ethan Snelling.

Meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no public comments.

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

Minutes from the February 13, 2024 board meeting were reviewed. Upon motion by Andrea Kirkpatrick and seconded by Gary Kinnett to approve the minutes as presented, members voted as follows: Aye – Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, Gary Kinnett, Corey Potts and Connie Smith.

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

Mr. Roeder recommended hiring Leanna Phillippe as OCEMS Principal. Upon motion by Andrea Kirkpatrick and seconded by Renee Cole to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder recommended accepting the resignation of Amy Bailey effective at the end of the school year. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Gary Kinnett to accept the resignation as presented, members voted as follows: Aye-Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, Gary Kinnett, Corey Potts and Connie Smith.

Mr. Roeder also recommended accepting the partial retirement of Barb Smith at the end of the school year, with a maximum of 3 years. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to accept the partial retirement as presented, members voted as follows: Aye-Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, Gary Kinnett, Corey Potts and Connie Smith.

Mr. Roeder recommended hiring Jennifer Mossburger and Emily Warner for OCEMS Spring Intersession. Upon motion by Renee Cole and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder recommended hiring Kaitlyn Reed for the Middle School Cheer Coach. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Gary Kinnett to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder recommended implementing the Tax Refund Exchange MOU beginning with the 2024-2025 school year. Upon motion by Renee Cole and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye-Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder gave updates on the playground, track, and gym projects.

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.

By consensus, the next scheduled board meeting will be April 2, 2024.

Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Gary Kinnett to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 P.M., members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Renee Cole, Corey Potts and Andrea Kirkpatrick.
