

BOARD MINUTES
Rising Sun-Ohio County Community School Corporation
July 15, 2025

The regular session of the Board of School Trustees was held as advertised on July 15, 2025 at 5:10 P.M. in the administration building. Members present were Andrea Kirkpatrick, Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, and Superintendent Branden Roeder. Also present were Abbey Berkley, Tyler Jones, and Betty Gridley.

Meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

There were no public comments.

Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Gary Kinnett to approve the minutes from the June 10, 2025 meeting with corrections and also the claims as presented, members voted as follows: Aye – Gary Kinnett, Connie Smith, and Andrea Kirkpatrick.

Dr. Roeder recommended accepting the following resignations:

Emma Koons – Teacher
Brandon Turner – Teacher, High School Boys’ JV Basketball, HS Girls’ Golf
Jaron Bovard – Teacher, High School Academic Team, Middle School Honor Society
Kaitlyn Reed - Paraprofessional
John Boss – Middle School Golf Coach

Upon motion by Andrea Kirkpatrick and seconded by Gary Kinnett to accept the resignations, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Gary Kinnett.

Dr. Roeder recommended the following hires:

Julie Cassini – High School Athletic Secretary/Attendance Officer
Abbey Berkley – Elementary Teacher
Jana McKinley – High School Special Education Teacher
Jayden McAlister – High School Girls’ Assistant Soccer Coach
Amberly King – High School Art Club
Kelli Land – Elementary Art Club

Upon motion by Andrea Kirkpatrick and seconded by Gary Kinnett to approve the recommendations, members voted as follows: Aye – Gary Kinnett, Connie Smith, and Andrea Kirkpatrick.

Dr. Roeder presented the 2025-2026 milk, bread, and gas bids for approval. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to approve the 2025-2026 bids, members voted as follows: Aye – Gary Kinnett, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Connie Smith.

Dr. Roeder presented revisions to the 2025-2026 Student Handbooks for approval. Upon motion by Gary Kinnett and seconded by Connie Smith to approve the revisions to the 2025-2026 Student Handbooks, members voted as follows: Aye – Gary Kinnett, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Connie Smith.

Dr. Roeder recommended taking bids to sell a lawnmower. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Gary Kinnett.

Dr. Roeder gave updates on the building project. Dr. Roeder also informed the board of a donation for an updated fire system by Matt Keith of Superior Fire. It would have cost \$50,000.00.

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.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 19, 2025, at 5:00 pm

Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Gary Kinnett to adjourn the meeting at 5:22 P.M., members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Gary Kinnett.
