

BOARD MINUTES
Rising Sun-Ohio County Community School Corporation
December 2, 2025

The regular session of the Board of School Trustees was held as advertised on December 2, 2025 at 5:00 P.M. in the administration building. Members present were Corey Potts, Connie Smith, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick and Superintendent Branden Roeder.

Meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion by Andrea Kirkpatrick and seconded by Connie Smith to approve the agenda with the addition of the Library Board Appointment, members voted as follows: Aye – Corey Potts, Connie Smith, Renee Cole, and Andrea Kirkpatrick.

There were no public comments.

Connie Smith made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 4, 2025 meeting as presented, and Renee Cole seconded the motion. Members voted as follows: Aye – Renee Cole, Connie Smith, Corey Potts, and Andrea Kirkpatrick.

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

Dr. Roeder presented the following resignations:

Caitlin Sauerhage: High School Cross Country Coach
Jennifer Craig: 3rd Grade Teacher
Ethan Snelling: Long Term Substitute

Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to accept the resignations, members voted as follows: Aye – Andrea Kirkpatrick, Connie Smith, Corey Potts, and Renee Cole.

Dr. Roeder recommended hiring following ECA Coaches:

Guy Soule: Boys' Basketball C Team
Kayla Thayer: Mentor to Jana McKinley
Adam Parks: Middle School Golf
Jonathan Fletcher: Middle School Baseball
Doug Monroe and Tim Southard: Co-Assistant Middle School Baseball

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

Dr. Roeder presented two Additional Appropriation Resolutions for Board Approval. (Attached) Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to approve the Resolutions, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, and Corey Potts.

Dr. Roeder recommended removing the make-up day scheduled for May 22, 2026 and the make-up day scheduled for May 20, 2027 from the school calendars. He also asked to add November 24, 2026 as a possible make-up day for the 26-27 school calendar. Upon motion by Renee Cole and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to approve the request, members voted as follows: Aye – Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Connie Smith, and Corey Potts.

Dr. Roeder presented a resignation from the Library Board from Tammy Weaver. Dr. Roeder recommended Nancy Swart to fill the vacated position on the Library Board. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Renee Cole to appoint Nancy Swart, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Corey Potts.

Dr. Roeder gave updates on the TAG Grant and the new accountability model.

The next regular scheduled board meeting will be January 13, 2025 at 5:00 PM.

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 Connie Smith and seconded by Renee Cole to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 PM, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Corey Potts, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Renee Cole.

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