

BOARD MINUTES
Rising Sun-Ohio County Community School Corporation
March 8, 2018

The regular session of the Board of School Trustees was held as advertised on March 8, 2018 at 6:35 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 was Chandra Mattingley.

Minutes for the February 8, 2018 Board Meeting were reviewed. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to approve the minutes, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Gary Kinnett, Renee Cole, and Corey Potts.

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

The Superintendent recommended high school volunteers Renda Copeland for track and Brandon Turner for baseball. Upon motion by Renee Cole and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Gary Kinnett, Connie Smith, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder presented a letter of resignation from Brian Graham as boys JV Basketball Coach and asked permission to post the position. Mr. Roeder noted that Mr. Graham has held a coaching position for a total of 14 years. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Gary Kinnett to accept the resignation and to post the position, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder requested permission to provide the classified staff the option to be paid over a 12 month period rather than hourly beginning with the 2018-19 school year. This would be in regulation with IRS 409. Upon motion by Gary Kinnett and seconded by Renee to grant the permission, members voted as follows: Aye – Gary Kinnett, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Connie Smith, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder requested permission to alter a bus driver's pay based on the total amount of miles he/she drives due to route changes for new students. Upon motion by Andrea Kirkpatrick and seconded by Connie Smith to grant the permission, members voted as follows: Aye – Andrea Kirkpatrick, Connie Smith, Renee Cole, Gary Kinnett, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder recommended posting a position for a special education teacher at the high school which half would be paid by ROD. The position now shared between buildings would become a full time middle school position. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Renee Cole to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Gary Kinnett, and Corey Potts.

The Superintendent requested permission to advertise for devices for grades K-2. This would be to purchase or lease 250 devices. He would bring the information to the April meeting. Upon motion by Gary Kinnett and seconded by Connie Smith to grant the request, members voted as follows: Aye – Gary Kinnett, Connie Smith, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Corey Potts.

The Superintendent reviewed updates to the NEOLA policy. (Policy changes on file.) This was the first reading, no action was taken.

Mr. Roeder presented a budget for the 21st Century Scholarship grant for the summer camp and latchkey services for preschool through grade 5. He also requested permission to hire teachers and paraprofessionals for the program. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Gary Kinnett for approve the budget and hiring of the staff, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Gary Kinnett, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder recommended the modification of Resolution 2018-4 which gives permission to begin a Transitional Kindergarten for the 2018-2019 school year. Additional language was added so the program would be ran by the teacher and paraprofessionals. Mr. Roeder also requested permission to post for and hire paraprofessionals for the Transitional Kindergarten. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Renee Cole to approve the modification of Resolution 2018-4, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Renee Cole, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Gary Kinnett, and Corey Potts.

The Superintendent reviewed phase one of the smart board program approved last year.

Mr. Roeder recommended moving forward with the purchase of two mid buses. Both buses would be equipped with the required seats for preschoolers. Upon motion by Gary Kinnett and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to approve the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Gary Kinnett, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, Connie Smith, and Corey Potts.

The Superintendent gave an update on the LED project. The High School has shown a savings of \$1400 for one month, with the OCEMS gym showing a savings of approximately \$700 for half a months' time. Mr. Roeder is pursuing a regional grant to assist with completing the OCEMS project.

Mr. Roeder presented a request to trade-in the oldest Kobalt mower for a new Ferris mower. The price with trade-in would be \$7899. Upon motion by Connie Smith and seconded by Andrea Kirkpatrick to move forward with the purchase, members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, Gary Kinnett, and Corey Potts.

Mr. Roeder presented possible dates for the upcoming board retreat. The board by consensus agreed to set April 13-14 as a tentative date.

The next regular session of the Board of School Trustees for April is to be announced.

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 Andrea Kirkpatrick to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 P.M., members voted as follows: Aye – Connie Smith, Andrea Kirkpatrick, Renee Cole, Gary Kinnett, and Corey Potts.
