

BOARD MINUTES  
Rising Sun-Ohio County Community School Corporation  
April 13, 2010

The regular session of the Board of School Trustees was held as advertised on April 13, 2010 at 7:12 P.M. in the administration building. Members present were Felix Massey III, Christopher Whitham, Corey Potts, Harlan Holt Hoffman, Timothy Elbright, and Superintendent Stephen Patz. Also present were Keith Majewski, Noel Bostic, Carol Stapleton, Nancy Swart, Bob White, Angie Wilson, Karen Lovern, Brenna Keith, Kaitlyn Bailey, and Daniel Duncan.

Meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes for March 9, 2010 were reviewed. Upon motion by Harlan Holt Hoffman and seconded by Timothy Elbright to approve the minutes, members voted as follows: Aye – Corey Potts, Christopher Whitham, Harlan Holt Hoffman, Timothy Elbright, and Felix Massey III.

Claims were reviewed. Harlan Holt Hoffman asked that it be noted that the grant from the Rising Sun Regional Foundation for H1N1 cleaning supplies has been expended. After a brief discussion, upon motion by Christopher Whitham and seconded by Harlan Holt Hoffman to approve the claims, members voted as follows: Aye – Harlan Holt Hoffman, Christopher Whitham, Timothy Elbright, Corey Potts, and Felix Massey III.

Mr. Patz recommended the following for 2010-2011 fall and winter extra-curricular positions at the high school:

Head Volleyball Coach: Lindsey Merica  
Assistant Volleyball Coach: Lorie Hayes

Boys' Head Soccer Coach: Mike Seipel  
Boys' Assistant Soccer Coach: Paul Whitham

Girls' Soccer Coach: Irene O'Shaughnessy  
Girls' Assistant Soccer Coach: Sammie Walton

Boys' & Girls' Head Cross-Country Coach: Allison Reynolds

Boys' Head Basketball Coach: Jason McDaniel  
Boys' Reserve Basketball Coach: Keith Armstrong

Cheerleading: Ronna Billingsley

Upon motion by Corey Potts and seconded by Timothy Elbright to approve the recommendations, members voted as follows: Aye – Timothy Elbright, Corey Potts, Christopher Whitham, Harlan Holt Hoffman, and Felix Massey III.

The Superintendent recommended extending the contract for Jason McDaniel as High School Head Basketball Coach by one year. Upon motion by Harlan Holt Hoffman and seconded by Corey Potts to accept the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Harlan Holt Hoffman, Corey Potts, Timothy Elbright, Christopher Whitham, and Felix Massey III.

Mr. Patz recommended Molly Martin as the 2009-2010 Middle School Girls' Track Coach. Upon motion by Harlan Holt Hoffman and seconded by Corey Potts to accept the recommendation, members voted as follows: Aye – Harlan Holt Hoffman, Corey Potts, Timothy Elbright, Christopher Whitham, and Felix Massey III.

The Superintendent read aloud retirement letters from Cheryl Jones, Marsha Loudon, Nancy Hoffman, and Sue Hart. Mr. Patz noted that while he congratulates these teachers on their retirement, he realizes that it is not an easy decision. Upon motion by Corey Potts and seconded by Christopher Whitham to accept the retirements, members voted as follows: Aye – Corey Potts, Christopher Whitham, Timothy Elbright, Harlan Holt Hoffman, and Felix Massey III.

Mr. Massey congratulated the retirees on their many years of service on behalf of the Board.

Mr. Patz presented a Memorandum of Agreement to name VALIC the exclusive recipient of the School Corporation's matching 401(a) contributions and VEBA contributions which has been signed by the Superintendent and the OCCTA President, Kevin Smith. (Attached) It was noted that the current carrier, Forrest T. Jones, no longer supports the plan documents. Mr. Patz stated that all plan documents will be kept up-to-date by VALIC free of charge. Upon motion by Timothy Elbright and seconded by Harlan Holt Hoffman to approve the memorandum, members voted as follows: Aye – Timothy Elbright, Harlan Holt Hoffman, Corey Potts, Christopher Whitham, and Felix Massey III.

The Superintendent presented 2010-2011 Math Textbook Waivers for both schools. The State has not yet approved Math standards for 2010-2011, so the waiver was offered. This is a one-year waiver with the anticipation of purchasing Math textbooks next year after the new Math standards are released. Upon motion by Christopher Whitham and seconded by Corey Potts to approve the waiver, members voted as follows: Aye – Christopher Whitham, Corey Potts, Harlan Holt Hoffman, Timothy Elbright, and Felix Massey III.

Mr. Patz presented the 2010-2011 Bus Driver Handbook for its first reading. There was a brief discussion regarding the changes in this year's Handbook. No action was taken, as this was the first reading.

The Superintendent presented the 2010-2011 High School Student Handbook for its first reading. Mr. Majewski was present to discuss the changes to the handbook. No action was taken, as this was the first reading.

Mr. Patz presented a request to give Re-education in Force (R.I.F.) notices should they become necessary. He noted that while he is hoping that R.I.F. notices will not be necessary, R.I.F. timelines must be met in the event that negotiations are not complete. He also stated that even if the R.I.F. process is begun, it does not have to be completed if it ceases to be a necessity. Upon motion by Harlan Holt Hoffman and seconded by Timothy Elbright to give the Superintendent permission to institute the R.I.F. process if necessary, members voted as follows: Aye – Harlan Holt Hoffman, Timothy Elbright, Christopher Whitham, Corey Potts, and Felix Massey III.

Mr. Majewski stated that Mr. Slayback will be attending Project Lead the Way training this summer. After his training is complete, we will have 2 licensed instructors for this program. The Project Lead the Way program is well-funded for the 2010-2011 school year through grants by the Rising Sun Regional Foundation and Workforce Development.

Mr. Patz noted that our NovaNet program has gotten off to a successful start and will continue to be evaluated for further success.

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 Timothy Elbright and seconded by Harlan Holt Hoffman to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 P.M., members voted as follows: Aye – Timothy Elbright, Harlan Holt Hoffman, Christopher Whitham, Corey Potts, and Felix Massey III.

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