**James A. Rhodes State College Board of Trustees Meeting Summary**

On Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at 4:30 p.m. the James A. Rhodes State College Board of Trustees met, and the following considerations were approved:

**Rhodes State College Single Audit Report**

* Approval was granted to accept the Rhodes State College Single Audit Report for the year ending June 30, 2024.

**Fiscal Year 2026 Budget**

* Approval was granted for the College’s Fiscal Year 2026 Budget (Spending Authority), including all budgetary assumptions, a 2% pay increase for all employees, and all purchases over $50,000 included in the budget.

**Purchases Over $50,000 for Fiscal Year 2025**

* Cost Share Agreement with OSU-Lima on a month-to-month basis under the current cost share terms until a new agreement is reached.
* Repairs up to $350,000 to complete work in and around James J. Countryman building.

**Degrees and Certificates Conferred on May 3, 2025**

* The 2024-2025 Graduates.

**Revision of Policy 7.15 Campus Closure**

* Campus Closure Policy 7.15. last approved by the Board of Trustees on December 17, 2002, was revised in consultation with the Attorney General’s office and includes changes in the renumbering to align with the updated chapter structure (previously Policy 6.3.1), integration of relevant content from Weather Policy 6.3, provides definitions, and separates procedure elements from policy.

**Academic Faculty Promotions (For Information)**

* The following faculty were recommended for promotion by the Vice President for Academic Affairs, and the Faculty Promotion Committee for the 2025-2026.

**Name Current Rank New Rank**

Ms. Kacy Goetz Instructor Assistant Professor

Ms. Susan Jacob Instructor Assistant Professor

Ms. Angela Lee Instructor Assistant Professor

Mr. Justin Nance Instructor Assistant Professor

Dr. Lori Ludwig Assistant Professor Associate Professor

Mr. Ahmad Mehmood Assistant Professor Associate Professor

Ms. Traci Bitler Assistant Professor Associate Professor

Ms. Holly Evinger Assistant Professor Associate Professor

Mr. Gabriel (Gabe) Oakley Assistant Professor Associate Professor

Ms. Larisa Russell Associate Professor Professor

Ms. Martha (Marti) Butler Associate Professor Professor

Ms. Cheryl Grant Associate Professor Professor

Ms. Tammy Segovia Associate Professor Professor

Mr. David (Justin) Thornton Associate Professor Professor

**2025-2026 Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule**

Tuesday, August 19, 2025 \*4:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting

5:30pm Annual Joint Meeting/Foundation Board

Tuesday, September 16, 2025 4:30pm

Tuesday, October 21, 2025 4:30pm

Tuesday, November 18, 2025 4:30pm

Tuesday, December 16, 2025 4:30pm

Tuesday, January 20, 2026 4:30pm

Tuesday, February 17, 2026 4:30pm

Tuesday, March 17, 2026 4:30pm

Tuesday, April 21, 2026 \*\*4:30pm

Tuesday, May 19, 2026 4:30pm

Special Meetings will be called as needed.

\*Change in time to accommodate the joint meeting and dinner with the Foundation Board.

\*\* Subject to Notification of AACC Annual Conference