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Fairfield County Foundation Welcomes New Board Member, Announces New Officers

LANCASTER, Ohio --The Fairfield County Foundation has recently welcomed Debra Smith to its Board of Trustees and announced new officers for 2022.

"The Foundation is excited to welcome Debra to our Board of Trustees," said Amy Eyman, Executive Director of the Fairfield County Foundation. "She brings a wealth of unique experience to our Board and we're looking forward to her contributions to our Foundation and our community."



Debra Smith has earned multiple degrees over the years, including a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Ohio University, a Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy from the University of Minnesota, and Master of Arts in Education from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Debra retired from Ohio University Lancaster Campus (OU-L) in 2013, where she served as the Assistant Professor of Health Technology for five years. After retiring, she continued to serve at OU-L for another four years as an Adjunct Instructor with responsibility for curriculum development and teaching Health and Aging, Consumer

Health, Stress and Tension, and Women and Health courses. Prior to working at OU-L, Debra was a physical therapist at AlternaCare Home Health Agency; served in multiple faculty roles as well as CIO for Ohio State University Newark Campus and Central Ohio Technical College; and worked as a physical therapist and lecturer on rehabilitation at a number of healthcare facilities and clinics. Debra is a strong supporter of the local community, serving on the Sharing Hope Leadership Team, Recovery Center Board of Directors (Chair), Fairfield Medical Center Board of Directors (past member and chair) and as an instructor for Bridges Out of Poverty.

"I am honored to be able to serve on the board of such an integral part of our community," said Debra Smith. "The Fairfield County Foundation allows donors to create and support legacies of intentional giving that make this a better place for all."

In addition to approving Debra Smith as a new member, the Board of Trustees also elected new officers during the November 18, 2021 meeting:

Aundrea Cordle, Chair
Mike Lieber, Vice Chair
Woodson Winfree, Treasurer
Eileen Competti, Secretary
Molly Bates, Past Chair

About the Fairfield County Foundation:

The Fairfield County Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit that along with its supporters, helps to sustain and enhance the quality of life and economic viability in our community. Its scholarship program helps to sustain opportunities for local youth to achieve their academic goals. The Foundation was formed in 1989 and grants today continue to support the arts, children's programs, health and wellness projects, community development, academics, and more. For more information about the Foundation, please call 740-654-8451 or visit www.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org.

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