

U.S.D. #354
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

The U.S.D. #354 Board of Education met on May 4, 2009 starting at 7:00 p.m. at the district office. Board members present were Bert Besthorn, Dave Hickel, Doug Hubbard, Lee Bieberle, Cherlyn Maier, Dawnya Hickel and Jim Vance.

The agenda for the May 4, 2009 meeting was approved. The minutes from the April meetings were approved along with the invoices, and the treasurer's report.

The board approved the following old business items: capital outlay items as presented; Bryan Dixon, Shawn Wear and Pat Stiles for summer custodial help; discontinuing the athletic routes for the 2009-2010 school year due to budget cuts; sports contract for girls' cooperative tennis between USD 328 (Quivira Heights) and USD 354 (Claflin); for 2009-2010 Tony Heitschmidt as high school assistant boys' basketball coach, Jim Ryan as junior high head boys' basketball coach, Nicholl Weigel as junior high assistant volleyball coach, and Kara Potter as junior high cheerleading coach. The board took no action on budget planning due to no action taken by the state legislature at this time. By concensus the board will advertise for a junior high assistant football coach for the 2009 season.

Under new business the board approved the following: Joy Hertach as special education bus driver for summer school and the 2009 summer athletic camps as presented to the board.

The board discussed the following: health insurance rates will not change for the 2009-2010 school year; Claflin Awards Banquet scheduled for May 13 with potluck supper beginning at 6:30 PM in the high school gym; Claflin High School Commencement May 17, 2009 at 2:00 PM; year-ending ice cream social for USD 354 staff on Thursday, May 21 at 2:30 PM; reviewed the KASB Region 8 meeting recently held in Great Bend; current transportation fleet; upcoming retirement dinner for Judy Oberle to be held in June 2009; and the current weekly Claflin Tuesday section in the Great Bend Tribune. The board also discussed the proposed 2009-2010 high school class schedule.

Toby Holmes reported on upcoming school activities for the month of May. Superintendent Jane Oeser reported on the following: recent death of a parent and the upcoming funeral; recent state audit results; National Teachers' Day will be acknowledged with a continental breakfast on May 5, 2009; and other upcoming activities for the elementary school in the month of May.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, June 1, 2009 at 7:00 PM in the district office.