

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

The U.S.D.#354 Board of Education met on September 14, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the high school for a tour of the jr/sr high school buildings and then the elementary building. Following the tour, the regular board meeting was continued at the district office. Board members present were Doug Hubbard, Bert Besthorn, Cherlyn Maier, Dawnya Hickel, Dave Hickel, Lee Bieberle, and Jim Vance.

The agenda for the September 14, 2009, meeting was approved. The minutes from the August meeting were approved along with the invoices, and the treasurer's report.

Under old business the board approved four additional substitute teachers for the 2009-2010 school year. The board also approved to eliminate meal reimbursement for post-season competition beginning with the 2009-2010 school year. After discussion, the board approved to a two-year cooperative agreement with Hoisington School District for high school girls' softball beginning with the 2010 season based on the stipulation of approval by the USD 431 Board of Education.

Board members discussed the Fall Regional KASB meeting to be held at Russell High School on October 8, 2009; the current 2009-2010 enrollment numbers in both the elementary and Jr/Sr high school; no school for the jr/sr high school students on March 9, 2010 due to CPL High School Music Contest being hosted by Clafin (there will be school at the elementary school); local consolidated plan (LCP) fund allocations; and the 2010-2011 school year and projected budgeting. The board also discussed the need for substitute cooks and substitute bus drivers. Any individuals interested in either of these substitute positions please contact the district office at 587-3878.

Principal Toby Holmes reported on the following: jr/sr high school band and FFA will be attending the Kansas State Fair on Wednesday, September 16, 2009; new Kansas Course Codes to identify all high school classes; sophomore class magazine sales now in progress until October 1, 2009; upcoming college planning conference for all juniors and seniors will be held September 21, 2009 at the Great Bend High School; Automated External Defibrillator (A.E.D.) will be presented to grades 7-12 students by Clafin EMT Doug Hubbard on September 29, 2009; September 21 is official student count day for the school district; Football Homecoming will be October 2 with a parade being held at 2:35 PM; and the current high school schedule with number of students in each class.

Superintendent Jane Oeser reported on the following: Kansas State Fair Spelling Bee held September 14, 2009 with Trey Heitschmidt, Wyatt Disque, Casey Kaiser, Carson Kirmer, Julie Demel, Janae Ryan, Kylee Kasselmann participating from the Clafin School District; technology change over for the district's internet firewall has been completed; and 2009 Quality Performance Accreditation (QPA) reports for the elementary school and the jr/sr high school were discussed.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, October 5, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. in the district office.