

U.S.D. #112 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

The U.S.D. #112 Interim Board of Education met on September 13, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the Quivira Heights Elementary/Junior High School Library for the August board meeting. Board members present were Bert Besthorn, Dawn Dolezal, Ron Etchison, Cherlyn Maier, Alan Siemer, Malcolm Shaw and Jim Vance.

The agenda for the September 13, 2010, meeting was approved. Invoices were then approved along with the treasurer's report given by Darlene Lank. The board also approved authorizing two signatures to reinvest money within the district and establishing \$90.00 per day for teacher substitute pay for the 2010-2011 school year.

Keven Ward, Education Facilities Consultant, gave a presentation on energy efficiency and how the district can save money on energy, along with improving student achievement. He also informed the board that through improving the energy efficiency of the buildings in the district it could improve the health and safety of the students and staff. By consensus, the board agreed to move forward with the energy audit as presented. The board then had discussion on selecting the school names for the district attendance centers. The board voted to wait until the October meeting to select the district attendance centers school names.

Superintendent Steve Woolf updated the board on the following: several grants issued by ESSDACK, including a health grant, REAP grant, and a possible grant for a wind turbine that would be used in the science classes and a Waste Management grant for composting and gardening; reviewed student enrollment numbers for the 2010-2011 school year; reviewed the cost of changing mascots and school names; upcoming KASB Fall Regional meeting @ Lincoln, KS; possibility of liquidating the Birger Sandzen paintings; name of the league for Wilson will be Northern Plains beginning with the 2011-2012 school year; food bank backpacks program in the Wilson schools; and the mitigation plan for Ellsworth county. By consensus, the board agreed to purchase the new automatic floor scrubber for QHES/JH at a cost of under \$5000.00 and a large mower for Wilson schools from Bob's Service Center. The board approved the mitigation plan for Ellsworth County.

The board discussed the following: board goal setting retreat scheduled for October 9, 2010; process for selecting school mascot/colors; and advertising for a 5-hour custodial position in the Wilson schools. Claflin and QHES/JH Principal Jane Oeser discussed with the board that there are 48 preschool children with Wilson and Holyrood combined and the need for additional assistance in these programs. By consensus, the board agreed to advertise for a full-time para-educator position for the 3 & 4 year old preschool program. Superintendent Steve Woolf discussed with the board the basketball participants for the junior high in Quivira Heights and Claflin. By consensus, the board agreed to allow the junior high boys and girls basketball participants to play together at Claflin for the 2010-2011 school year.

The board authorized an out-of-state fieldtrip for the Claflin FFA to attend Husker Harvest Days in Nebraska on September 15, 2010. They also approved the following contracts: Cindy Heinze as Wilson JH volleyball assistant coach; Jessica Habiger as QHHS volleyball assistance coach; Keith Staudinger as Wilson HS football assistant coach; Brent Clark as Title 1 para-professional at Holyrood and Forrest Rupp as part-time custodian for the Claflin Elementary School for the 2010-2011 school year. The board accepted resignations from Marie Thomas, special education bus driver, and Dorian Hickel, social studies instructor. The board approved increasing the health insurance defined benefit to \$400 per month for full-time teachers/staff for the 2010-2011 school year.

The next monthly meeting is scheduled for October 11, 2010 beginning at 6:00 PM @ Quivira Heights Elementary/Junior High School Library.