

USD 311 BOARD BRIEFS

Notes from recent meetings of the USD 311 Board of Education:

- ❖ The Board approved the purchase of new permanent home seating for the football field/track. The bleachers will be delivered and installed before the Spring 2009 track season starts.
- ❖ Three Board positions will be voted on in the General Election April 7, 2009. Candidates for those positions are: Doug Benson and Ron Hedgecock, Position 4; Terry Stucky and Kevin Graber, Position 5; and Tamara Payne, Position 6.
- ❖ As a cost-saving measure, the last day of school for the 2008-2009 school year has been moved from May 22nd to May 15th. School will dismiss at 1:15 p.m. on that day. High School graduation will be held as originally scheduled, on Sunday, May 17, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. Eighth-grade promotion ceremonies will be held as originally scheduled, on Tuesday, May 19, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.
- ❖ After reviewing six potential calendars for the 2009-2010 academic year, the Board has tentatively approved a 166-day calendar, with classes starting September 1st, 2009 and ending May 19th, 2010. The final calendar will be adopted after the teacher contract negotiations process is complete.
- ❖ Board members Beverly McDonald, Sam Grilliot, and Ron Keeler will be the Board of Education's representatives in negotiating the 2009-2010 contract agreement with the teachers association.
- ❖ Board members approved the following supplemental contracts for 2008-2009: C.T. Young, HS assistant track coach; Deoan Broce, MS head track coach; and Curt Minner, HS assistant boys golf coach.
- ❖ The Board accepted the following resignations for 2009-2010: C.T. Young, HS girls basketball coach; Jeanie Dougan, GS assistant principal; Edna Ruth Kemp, HS/MS librarian; and Katie Schrag, MS cheerleader sponsor.
- ❖ PPMS will host the Heart of the Plains League Middle School music festival April 3rd.
- ❖ Pretty Prairie High School will host the 1A state golf meet on May 26th at Cherry Oaks Golf Course in Cheney.
- ❖ The Board increased the Drivers Education fee to \$100 for students enrolled in Pretty Prairie High School or Pretty Prairie Middle School. The fee for students not enrolled in PPHS or PPMS is \$220.
- ❖ The April Board of Education meeting will be April 13, 2009, at 8:00 p.m. in the Middle School Teachers Workroom. The public is welcome to attend. Patrons wishing to speak to the Board should notify the superintendent seven days prior to the Board meeting.