

The USD 115 Board of Education met for the regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 8 and for a special meeting on Wednesday, June 24.

At the regular meeting members approved student fees for 2015-16. Fees include meals, enrollment and special class costs. Breakfast and lunch fees will increase \$.10. Breakfast for all students will cost \$1.65 and a lunch for students in grades K-5 will be \$2.45. Lunch for students in grades 6-12 will be \$2.60. Enrollment and special class fees will increase slightly ranging from \$1.00 to \$6.00.

Due to new regulations, breakfast will now be served at the high school. Breakfast has been served at the elementary building for several years and a waiver had been granted for the high school. Members approved the new Wellness Policy which requires breakfast to now be offered to all students.

Members agreed to delay the adoption of a new substance abuse policy pending the formation of a committee to study and recommend changes. The committee will consist of administrators, coaches, staff and board members. Member Owen Zinke volunteered to serve on the committee.

Other items approved included: a milk bid for 15-16; renewal of a contract with Simplified On-Line Communication System to host the district website; changes in the NCHS Student Handbook; a contract with Southeast Kansas Education Service Center for school psychologist services as needed; and an additional contract with Amy Haussler for part-time school psychologist services for \$25,000.

Resignations were accepted from: Amy Mathewson, NCEMS paraprofessional; Jason Hajek, NCMS Head Track Coach; Megan Koch, NCEMS paraprofessional; Christina Finney, Special Ed administrative assistant; Ricky Creek, Special Ed teacher; and Ashli Niehues, district office administrative assistant. A new contract was approved for Margaret "Nikki" Heiman as a half-time Special Ed teacher in Frankfort.

The special meeting on June 24 was held to conduct final business before the close of the fiscal year on June 30.

Jeff Kidd with SBS Insurance presented a breakdown in the cost of property, liability, automobile, workers compensation and other insurances for 2015-16. The premium of all insurances was \$125,901 which is comparable to the prior year cost.

Supt. Kohlman updated the board on the financial condition of the district at year end. Transfers will be from the General and Supplemental General funds to allowable funds. It is anticipated that the transfers will be approximately \$165,000 more than FY 14.

Members approved the 2015-16 Negotiated Agreement as tentatively agreed to between the board of education and the teacher's association teams on June 9, 2015. Salary increases averaged 1.38%. The total package which includes salaries, health insurance fringe and supplemental salaries was 2.4%. Salary increases matching the 1.38% were approved for all other staff as well.

The first meeting of the new fiscal year will be held on Monday, July 20.