

At the September 14, 2015 regular board meeting, the Nemaha Central board members listened to a report on the ACT scores taken by students in the class of 2015. The average composite score was 22, slightly over the state average of 21.9. The averages in English, Math, Reading and Science were the lowest in the last five years. Counselor, Mrs. Evans and principal, Mr. McKernan, stated that although not alarmed, staff will be reviewing ways to help students be better prepared for the test. Thirty-nine students took the test in 2015 compared to 54 in 2014 and 50 in 2013. It was pointed out that the lower number of students in the testing pool can also affect the average scores.

Supplemental contracts were approved for: Heath Lutz – middle school assistant football coach; Julie Lueger – high school assistant volleyball coach; and Katelyn Deters – high school head cheerleader sponsor. A resignation from Lisa Ohlsen, cook, was accepted.

Anonymous donations of \$50 and \$100 were accepted for the elementary/middle school and \$1,500 for a new flag pole at the football field. The former Nemaha Valley Booster Club donated \$3,118.68 to eighteen high school activity funds.

The board approved assurances for Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) between the special education cooperative and the Kansas State Department of Education and the United States Department of Education so the cooperative may continue to receive Title VI-B funds. A contract was also approved between the special education cooperative and the Kansas State School for the Deaf/Blind.

Supt. Kohlman spent several minutes updating progress on the Strategic Plan.

No action was taken following two executive sessions – discussion of non-elected personnel and acquisition of real property.