

The Nemaha Central board members received a report from Cara Baker, director of Highland Community College Western Center, at the November 14 meeting. Mrs. Baker informed board members of current courses being offered by the college in Baileyville. She specifically spoke about the courses offered under Senate Bill 155 which allows high school juniors and seniors to take approved courses tuition free. Currently the college offers five technical programs: Construction Technology, Diesel Technology, Industrial Welding, Medical Office Assistant, and Precision Agriculture. Some Nemaha Central students are participating in the classes. The college also offers Certified Nurses Aide (CNA), Emergency Medical Technician and GED classes.

Members then were presented a report from Max Holthaus, a junior at Nemaha Central. Max showed board members a mobile phone app he has been in the process of developing. He began the process for his personal use but upon finding out that an app had been discussed by the board, presented his idea to the administration. He presented a timeline in which he hopes to have the iOS version ready by January and the Android version by the end of the school year. Following a few questions, the board unanimously voted to give Max permission to continue with the development of the app for the district.

In capital outlay project related discussion, since the price to air condition the two gyms at the high school is cost prohibitive at this time, large ceiling fans were suggested. The cost for six eight foot in diameter fans for the main gym would be \$31,920 and a single 20' fan in the center of the gym would cost \$6,500. It was the consensus of the board members to hold off on any major capital outlay projects at this time; however, to pursue the purchase of fans.

Jim Long, CPA with Karlin & Long, presented the independent audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016. There were no findings of noncompliance.

Supt. Kohlman reported that the first Vo-Ag committee meeting was held with good attendance and ideas. A second meeting will be scheduled by Supt. Kohlman. He conducted mock interviews at Kansas State and three individuals have expressed a genuine interest as a Vo Ag instructor. He will keep the board informed of progress as he begins interviews and outcomes of the committee meetings.

In personnel matters, a supplemental contract was approved for Julie Lueger as NCHS VB assistant coach. A paraprofessional contract was approved for Michele Roberts, special education para at Frankfort and a resignation from Michael Hill for the spring play supplemental contract.

No action was taken following two separate executive sessions; one for the discussion of a student matter and the second for discussion of non-elected personnel.