

### Bid Opening Held For HTRS School Addition

Four bids were received for an approximate 31,000 square foot addition to the north side of the Humboldt-Table Rock-Steinauer school site in Humboldt Thursday afternoon.

Architect Larry Chilese opened bids for the basic project and two alternates ranging from \$5,095,000 up to \$5,700,000.

The apparent low bid was submitted by A.H.R.S. Construction of Bern, Kansas. Three firms from Lincoln also submitted bids, those being Kingery Construction, Hampton Enterprises and Cheever Construction. Cheever had what appears to be the second lowest bid a \$5,160,000.

Chilese said the bid specifications were for an all-inclusive bid including interior cabinets, chalkboards, wallboards, tack boards, all floorings and a security system.

The project will include new entrances and a hallway on the west side of the current building. The first floor of the addition located to the north of the current gymnasium will include a weight room / fitness center and music room. The second floor will include six classrooms and the third floor will include an art room, wrestling practice area and a classroom for the Alternative School.

Plans call for the addition to be completed by August 1, 2015, in time for the 2015-16 school year.

The two alternates included in the bid are for the addition of seven Helicoils, which are underground supports around the current structure and the second alternative is for the moving of utilities including electrical and a gas line located on the east side of the building.

Originally the project was proposed by the HTRS Booster Club and included only a weight room / fitness center.

It is expected the HTRS School Board will award the bid at their July 14th meeting. Several member of the Board attended the bid opening Thursday.

In the pictures with this story you see a view looking north as the building currently exists and a computerized version of how the building will look. The computerized picture is from an older plan and did not include the third floor at the far end.

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