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Proposed Sabetha FFA Greenhouse Project Advances

(KNZA)-- A proposal to construct a greenhouse for the Sabetha FFA program advances.

Prairie Hills USD 113 Superintendent Todd Evans says the Board of Education Monday evening heard a presentation from Sabetha FFA Advisor Chris Bauerle for the construction of a 24-by-48 foot greenhouse on the north side of the Sabetha High School at an estimated cost of \$43,200.

Bauerle said the greenhouse would provide cross-curricular advantages and benefits for the community. He noted that many other area schools have functioning greenhouses on site.

Bauerle said he currently has pledges of \$10,000 from the Sabetha FFA Alumni and another \$10,000 from the Sabetha High School FFA Chapter for the project. Bauerle requested permission to apply for a \$25,000 grant from Monstano and several other smaller grants for the project. In addition, he asked the district to pay the utility costs for the greenhouse, estimated at \$2,000 annually.

The Board gave Bauerle approval to proceed with the grant applications.

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