USD 115 Board Approves Technology Purchases

(KMZA)--Nemaha Central students will be getting new laptop computers and Ipad devices a year ahead of schedule.

The USD 115 Board of Education this week approved the purchase of the new devices at a cost of just over \$357,000 and authorized the sale of the current three-year-old devices.

The process will occur over the summer months.

Superintendent Darrel Kohlman requested that the original plan to replace the technology on a four-year cycle be revisited. He said the district could get the greatest value by selling the current devices now and buying new ones on sale.

He said the district could get just over \$107,000 by selling the devices now versus just over \$71,000 in one year. In addition, he said the cost of the devices will increase about \$41,000 after March 31st.

In other business, the Board approved the purchase of a software program that introduces career planning to students.

After hearing a presentation from High School Principal Ben Scism and High School Counselor Deb Kramer, the Board approved the purchase of the Career Cruising program.

The program will be used as part of the student Individual Plan of Study in the high school.

The cost for the program is \$1,500, half of which will be paid by the state the first year. The state will also reimburse the district for the \$800 one-time set-up fee.

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