

USD 415 receives nearly \$9K donation

(KNZA)--The Hiawatha school district has received a nearly \$9,000 donation from the Hiawatha Youth Basketball League.

Jodi Twombly, representing the League, presented a check for \$8,750 to Board of Education President Dr. Pete Rosa during Monday's meeting.

The donation will be used for the purchase of new middle school basketball uniforms and coaches salaries.

Twombly said the league for boys and girls in 2nd through 6th grades started in 2013 with twenty-nine teams and now are up to sixty-two teams.

Games are played at the Hiawatha High School and Middle School along with the Hiawatha National Guard Armory and Fisher Center at times.

Twombly said the average attendance is between 1,800-2000 people each Saturday for the 31 games played.

She said local businesses report they see a significant increase in sales on the Saturdays in January and February when the League is running.

Many Signals Communications