Pawnee City school board considers joining lawsuit

(KLZA)--The Pawnee City School Board continues to consider possible participation in a lawsuit for Nebraska State Property Tax and School Finance Reform.

During the March School Board meeting, a motion to commit to joining the lawsuit proposed by the Independent Cattlemen of Nebraska and authorize Superintendent Brian Rottinghaus to take any necessary action to carry out the motion was tabled.

The proposed motion was worded so the Pawnee City School District would only join the lawsuit if four criteria are met: 1) no meaningful legislative solution becomes imminent in the 2018 legislative session; 2) there will be no expense to the school district to pay prosecuting attorney fees; 3) that at least two other public school districts in Nebraska participate in the lawsuit and 4) that the plaintiffs' joint action agreement would allow the district to withdraw from the lawsuit at any time.

The topic of joining a lawsuit will be discussed during the April 9th Pawnee City School Board meeting.

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