

Hiawatha Middle School to get new scoreboards

(KNZA)--The Hiawatha Middle School gym will be getting new scoreboards.

The Hiawatha USD 415 Board of Education this week approved the purchase of two scoreboards from Fair Play Scoreboards for a cost of \$13,506, which includes installation.

The new scoreboards will be funded entirely by donations from the Youth Basketball League, Youth Volleyball League and Hiawatha USD 415 Education Foundation.

In other business, Superintendent Lonnie Moser discussed the timeline for the hiring of a new elementary school principal.

Moser said plans are to start advertising the position next month.

The field of applicants will then be narrowed down for interviews during the first week of February, with a recommendation to be made to the Board at their February meeting.

Current Elementary School Principal Tom Schmitz is retiring at the end of the current school year.

Schmitz, who also serves as the district's curriculum director, explained the timeline and process of evaluating possible new math curriculum for a district wide adoption by the summer of 2019.

Among other aspects, he said the team will be evaluating whether to continue with the traditional curriculum at the high school of Algebra 1 and 2 and Geometry or to switch to a nontraditional method of Math levels 1,2 and 3.

