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Doniphan West voters reject bond issue

(KNZA)--Voters in the Doniphan West school district in a special election Tuesday rejected a \$6.3 million bond issue for facility improvements.

According to the unofficial results, 348 votes were cast against the bond issue to 130 in favor.

The Doniphan County Clerk's Office reported a nearly 32 percent voter turnout.

The Doniphan West USD 111 Board of Education approved a resolution last October to pursue the bond issue after two years of in-depth study and community collaboration.

The funding would have been used to address four key priority areas--safety and security enhancements, HVAC and electrical upgrades, structural repairs and roof replacements, site improvements, and enhanced educational spaces.

The bond issue would have required a 6.1 mill levy increase over a 20-year period to pay for the bonds and interest.

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