

Principal resigns at end of contract

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School board sets option enrollment limits.

Brady principal Gerald Wallace feels it's time to be closer to his family.

Wallace submitted his letter of resignation to the school board during Monday night's regular monthly meeting.

Wallace, originally from Iowa, began as K-12 principal at Brady in August 2007 after the school board voted earlier that year to split the superintendent and principal duties.

He will fulfill his duties through the end of his contract on June 30.

In other business, the board approved a resolution concerning option enrollment students, limiting the number of students that will be accepted in each grade level.

Superintendent Bill Porter said elementary classes will be limited to 20 students per grade and high school grades will be capped at 25.

The board has begun advertising to try and increase the number of option students from other districts.

Part of that effort includes running a bus to North Platte each school day for two weeks to pick up students who already option in from there, in hopes of attracting more.

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Porter said if enough option students enroll from North Platte or the area between, the district will transport them to school every day.

The board also discussed continuing building issues left over from the construction.

Porter said some issues remain unresolved more than two years after the building was completed and more than a year after the warranty expired.

He said he will meet with architect Joseph Hewgley to discuss the district's options.

In other business, the board:

- approved final versions of non-certified staff work agreements and advanced on first reading a policy outlining non-certified staff job descriptions.
- voted to adopt the Nebraska Department of Education's new math standards.
- rolled over the superintendent's contract for another year and decided to use the same evaluation tool previously adopted.
- discussed three calendar options for the 2010-11 school year. Porter said much work is left to be done on the calendar but the board should be able to narrow its options during the March meeting.
- set a special meeting for 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 24 to discuss with the school attorney policies regarding sex offenders. The meeting will be conducted in closed session for protection of needless injury of individuals.