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Weathercraft to do work on Community Building

The bid was higher than what school officials anticipated but condensation problems in the Community Building roof over the gymnasium need to be corrected.

That was the consensus Monday night when the District 20 school board agreed to pay \$254,998 to Weathercraft Roofing Co. of North Platte.

Early cost estimates were \$200,000 but additional insulation will be added. The project will be funded through the district's building and depreciation funds.

Superintendent Mike Teahon said Weathercraft will begin work in early July, removing several layers of roof and steel and installing a temporary roof at the end of each day.

The new roof, that will have a slight pitch in the center, will be constructed of rubber membrane and is expected to last 20 years.

Teahon said three crews will remove layers of roof and will stage from the east parking lot. A structure will be built over the cafeteria.

Nothing inside the Community Building will be affected by the work outside, he said.

Since his hire as superintendent in 2001, Teahon has overseen several big projects such as the

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building of the new junior-senior high school, the remodeling of Dudley Elementary, the construction of a new track and the renovation of the cafeteria and weight room plus three new roof membranes at Dudley.



“But this roof is more involved in demolition than others,” he noted.

Teahon added that salvage rights will be retained on the steel and red iron retrieved during demolition. Those materials will be sold through a bid process at a later date.

The board also approved revisions to board policies dealing with:

student discipline involving inappropriate use of technology in sexting (sending sexually explicit messages via cell phone or instant messenger) and recording of others without consent.

Internet safety in supervising and monitoring usage in accordance with the policy and requirements of the Children’s Internet Protection Act and educating students about social networking.

dispensing medication and the definition of the school nurse as “medication competent staff.”

Teahon introduced a policy, that changes attendance requirements, particularly students who want to drop out of school. Passage of a legislative law that requires exit interviews for such students prompted the changes.

In other business, the board:

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granted an option enrollment request for kindergartner Madison Sayer to transfer to Cozad Public Schools.

learned that the district received a \$500 grant, for the elementary, and up to \$1,500 for the secondary, to implement a program for students with autism.

were informed that data coordinator and junior high principal Ryan Groene would like Aug. 31 as a professional development day to share the results of tests taken by students with teachers. Students will not report to school that day.

Groene said NeSA writing results will be released May 29.

were told that semester tests will no longer be given after this week so students can focus on the three major tests—ACT, MAP and NeSA. Staff may still give comprehensive tests but within a class time period.

Board members also learned that the school handbook will be changed to allow boys to wear headbands to school as is allowed for females.

heard a presentation from high school media/technology coordinator Lori Long and elementary media/technology coordinator Angie Richeson about using technology inside and outside of the media centers.

listened to the annual TeamMates mentoring report where coordinator Lindsey Tederman said there are 42 matches (the most ever since her involvement in the program), 13 mentors recruited and four off-campus activities offered to mentors and mentees. Adults try and meet with students in the program at least once a week during the school year and at TeamMates activities.

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were made aware that a legislative education committee will meet at Gothenburg Public Schools this fall and that a live weekly radio spot with KRVN and school administrators will also happen in the fall.

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