

Brady teachers to get 3.6% salary increase

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The Brady school board agreed to add \$1,020 to the base salary for next year's certified staff members, giving teachers a 3.6% raise.

The board approved the negotiated agreement with the Brady Education Association during Monday's regular monthly meeting.

The increase raises the base salary to \$29,040 but most teachers earn more than that.

Advanced education and years of service move certified staff members on a step scale, increasing their pay.

Teachers are limited, though, to one step each direction each year.

Superintendent Bill Porter said if a teacher moves on the scale for both years of service and advanced education in one year, it equals an 8% raise in pay.

The overall cost increase to the district for teacher salaries in the 2012-13 school year will be 6%.

Other items addressed in the negotiated agreement include removing the spelling bee coordinator and curriculum and assessment coordinator from the list of possible additional duties while making the assistant one-act coach a paid position.

In other action, the board approved extra-duty assignments for the coming school year with only a handful of changes.

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Current activities director and previous assistant football coach Andy Seamann will move into the head football coaching position. Previous head coach Bob Frederickson has accepted a teaching and coaching position at Hyannis High School.

New science teacher Anthony Munter will be assistant football coach.

Other new teachers will step into assistant coaching positions.

Art teacher Rebecca Aldrich will serve as assistant girls basketball coach in place of Darcee Miller and media specialist Heather Wolf steps in as a track assistant for David Jacobs.

Additional new assignments include Nina Fleming, a non-staff member, as assistant speech coach, resource teacher Michelle Young as National Honor Society sponsor and principal Bruce Hird as Student Council sponsor.

In other business, the school board:

heard from Porter that officials from Simon Construction in North Platte have assessed the window replacement project throughout the building and a bid will be opened at 4 p.m. on June 19.

passed on second and final reading board policy revisions dealing with admission, attendance, computer use and transportation.

approved a three-quarter time certified staff contract with first-year art Rebecca Aldrich of David City.

adopted the student/parent handbook with minor language changes. Porter told the board he

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believes the handbook should be published separately from the school calendar.

accepted a bid from Robert's Dairy to provide various dairy products for the 2012-13 school year.

agreed to hire Mary Kalb of McDermott and Miller, PC, of Kearney to complete the 2011-12 district audit and financial report.

discussed an option request from a Brady student to attend North Platte Public Schools. Porter told the board that North Platte has not released students who requested option enrollment at Brady after the March 15 deadline so he does not intend to release the Brady student to North Platte.

"It's got to be a two-way street," Porter said. "Why cooperate with people who won't cooperate with you?"

Board members Matt Hatch and Mary Ellen Mann expressed concern that the student's best interest be taken into consideration rather than the state funds lost from optioning out of the district.

No board action was taken.