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HCC President Addresses USD 115 Board about New State Law

(KMZA)-- Highland Community College President David Reist addressed the Nemaha Central USD 115 board of education this week regarding the opportunities created as the result of a new state law that took effect this school year.

The law allows reimbursement of tuition for those high school students who attend technical education classes at a technical college.

Highland Community College has several tech ed courses offered through its Atchison facility. Like the present concurrent classes, these tech ed classes would work much the same way.

The school district would get \$1,000 per student and the Board of Regents would pay the tuition to the college. In addition, if a concurrent class qualifies as a tech ed class, students will no longer have to pay the tuition.

Reist stated that Highland is currently investigating the possibility of setting up a tech ed center in the area.

Discussion ensued. Board members were supportive of the idea and asked that the administrators begin the process of investigating additional classes that could be offered and would be the most beneficial to our students.

Supt. Darrel Kohlman spoke to the fact that the B&B building could, at some point, be used as a technical center not just for the district's students but for all area students.