

USD 415 Board approves high school projects, budget
(KNZA)--Two improvement projects at Hiawatha High School advance, and the 2018-19 budget is finalized, following action taken by the USD 415 Board of Education this week.

The Board voted to accept the low bid submitted by Midwest Coating, of Topeka, for \$81,928, for the replacement of the high school gymnasium roof including roofs of the locker rooms and weight room.

It was among two bids received and was well under what had been estimated.

Following discussion, the Board voted to move forward with an improvement project at the high school football stadium.

Concrete will be installed near the concession stand, in front of the home bleachers and under the visitors bleachers. In addition, railing will be purchased for installation near the concession stand at a combined estimated cost \$14,760.

Donations from the USD 415 Educational Foundation and other donations will be set aside for the purchase of picnic tables and trash cans at a later date.

The Board also approved the purchase of a new waterwheel for irrigation of the practice football fields at a cost of \$12,200.

The 2018-19 budget was approved as published following a hearing drawing no public comment.

It contains a nearly 2.6 mill property tax levy decrease and calls for the district to collect more than \$6.3 million in local taxes.

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