

Public hearing set on land transfer petition

(KMZA)--The Kansas State Board of Education will conduct a public hearing Friday, March 22, on a pending petition to transfer school district territory from Prairie Hills USD 113 to Nemaha Central USD 115.

The hearing will take place at 3:00 Friday afternoon at the Bern Community Building located at 416 Main Street in Bern.

According to a public notice of the hearing, members of the public are invited to hear comments from representatives of each school district and will be given a limited time to provide their own comments to the appointed hearing officer.

Residents of either school district may also submit written testimony to the Kansas State Department of Education, Office of General Counsel, by April 15th.

The Nemaha Central Board of Education approved a resolution last month authorizing the filing of the petition with the State Board seeking the transfer of land in the former Bern school area from Prairie Hills USD 113 to Nemaha Central USD 115. A map filed with the petition identifies three tracts totaling almost 81 square miles to be transferred.

State law authorizes the State Board to order such transfer of territory following a public hearing on any petition that is filed.

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