School Board looking to fill superintendent vacancy as Dr. Sibley announces plans to step down

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On Monday, Jan. 9, the school board of Wauneta-Palisade Public Schools passed the recommendation to declare the vacancy of the Superintendent of Schools which will be effective as of July 1, 2012.

The board members thanked Dr. Stan Sibley for a job well done, and for staying on an extra year, an interim position Dr. Sibley took after the sudden death of former Superintendent Nelson Dahl.

This position was only to last for the remainder of that school year when the board would have time to look for and find a suitable candidate to replace him. The board ended up asking Dr. Sibley to stay one more year, which he agreed to. Now the search for a new superintendent of schools has officially started.

The board also had their annual organizational meeting with an election of officers at Monday night's meeting. The new officers for the school board this year are president, Jon Anderjaska; vice president, Stuart Bartels; secretary, Allison Sandman; and treasurer, Laurie Maris.

The board approved to let the superintendent sign a letter of intent with Trane Company, to enter into a performance contract. At which time Trane will come in and give their recommendations of what improvement projects and energy and operational savings projects the district should undertake. The district will then decide if Trane meets the final buying criteria of the district, within set financial parameters.

An updated staff and faculty handbook was then approved by the board. The handbook had not been updated in many years.

The annual board planning work session is set for Feb. 9 starting at 10 a.m. MT/ 11 a.m. CT in Wauneta.

The regular February school board meeting has been changed to Feb. 9 at 3 p.m. MT/ 4 p.m. CT at the Wauneta Attendance Center.

In the administrative reports Troy Holmberg explained a new mandatory planner for middle school students to help with their organization during the transition from elementary to middle school.

He also announced there would be no golf this year as there was only one interested student, the school will revisit this yearly depending on participation.

The six man football team schedule is out for next year.

Sibley reminded everyone that the week of Jan. 22-28 is Nebraska School Board recognition week.