

HUGO —Members of the Hugo board of education heard recommendations from superintendent Karen Lyles regarding employment of teachers for the 2013-2014 school year.

Upon a motion by Dr. Mike Irvin, the board approved the employment of Rebecca London, Allison Reece and Lori Harrison for elementary, Lauren Polk for high school family and consumer science and cheer-leading coach, and Taylor Samuels as custodian.

Also approved were the resignations of Rebecca Bolding, Amy Caraway and Martha Gann.

A revision was made to the student retention regulations, allowing two readiness kindergarten classes which will allow for more teaching to students who are not quite prepared to advance. According to elementary principal Nancy Welch, hopefully this will keep from having to hold children back in a later grade.

A public hearing was held during Monday's meeting for the proposed budget for the 2013-2014 fiscal year. Board members approved the preliminary budget, upon a motion by Marty Clinton, once all questions and concerns were addressed.

After a 40-minute long executive session, no action was taken regarding possible reassignments and math and science teaching positions for 2013-2014 school year.

Superintendent Lyles made the board aware during the meeting that a general contractor needed to be hired regarding the new school bond issue. She stated this was needed in order to finalize the contract. Further discussion will be held regarding this issue.

Consent agenda items were approved. All board members were present.