

HUGO —Members of the Hugo board of education passed a resolution Monday evening authorizing an election to be held Sept. 10 for the question of issuance of general obligation bonds in the amount of \$1,400,000 to be used for construction, equipping, repairing, remodeling school building, acquiring school furniture, fixtures and equipment and acquiring and improving school sites.

The resolution says, "A resolution authorizing the calling and holding of an election in independent school district No. 39 of Choctaw County for the purpose of submitting to the registered, qualified electors thereof the question of the issuance of the bonds of said school district in the sum of \$1,400,000 to provide funds which are to be used with certain sales tax revenues made available from the city of Hugo for the purpose of constructing, equipping, repairing and remodeling school buildings, acquiring school furniture, fixtures and equipment and acquiring and improving school sites and levying and collecting an annual tax in such district for the payment of the interest and principal of said bonds."

An executive session was held during the meeting to discuss several issues, which were approved by the board, including a salary increase of \$5,000 for Superintendent Karen Lyles; re-employment of band director Rick Hammer and football coach Terry Shamley.

Also approved after executive session discussion were new hires: Nicole Greer, special education teacher; Alicia Mack, special education paraprofessional; Morgan Lamberson, school nurse; Patty Vaughn, elementary teacher; Annette Cherboneau, counselor; Haley Richard, paraprofessional and T. J. Mitchell, custodian.

The parent of a Hugo student addressed members of the board Monday evening regarding what he claimed as an unfair punishment for his child, who was suspended for 20 weeks for an incident including two other students, who were suspended for eight days.

Upon a motion by Marty Clinton, it was decided the student's sentence would be reduced to "time-served" and he could begin school at the beginning of the school year.