

President Matthew Clawson said that teachers deserve better compensation and encouraged individuals to go to the district website for more detailed information.

Secretary Mark Pfoff agreed with Phillips that it could hurt the bond or MLO and suggested that were a voter to choose, he would encourage voting for the bond. See boarddocs at <http://bit.ly/lp-boarddocs> for further information.

**Board recognitions**

The board recognized the service of sound and film technician Jacob Godino, who has been overseeing the live streaming of the board meetings for years.

The board also heard a report from Kim Adams, JustServe public affairs officer, about the website that advocates and enables volunteerism in the community. The JustServe site enables an individual to choose a ZIP code and distance they are willing to travel, and they can access a list of opportunities.

Adams requested that the district list itself as an organization seeking volunteers and offered to meet with parent groups to explain the possibilities.

**Policy change**

The board passed a resolution to change policy DJ/DJA regarding purchasing authority to permit the superintendent to approve expenditures of \$50,000 rather than \$25,000 without board approval. See boarddocs for details.

**Student count**

Assistant Superintendent Cheryl Wangeman said that it is too early in the year to comment on such elements as utility use, but it appears the district will see an increase of 90 students over the predicted number of 81.

Superintendent Karen Brofft said there also appears to be an influx of new students with significant special needs.

There are currently 130 students in the Home School Enrichment Program.

Brofft reminded the board that student count is official only on Oct. 1.

**Ukulele demonstration**

Teacher Nichole Murphy and several of her seventh-grade students from Lewis-Palmer Middle School demonstrated their knowledge of the ukulele and encouraged board members to give it a try.

Murphy said that there are now 25 students in the class that meets on Tuesdays after school.

She said that music is a good hobby, the instruments are inexpensive, and participation has been shown to improve mood and uses both sides of the brain.

**Sale of district property completed**

At a special meeting of the Lewis-Palmer D-38 Board of Education on Sept. 27, two resolutions were passed. The first declared that a district-owned property at the southeast corner of Highways 83 and 105 would not be needed in the foreseeable future.

The resolution passed 3 to 2 with Secretary Mark Pfoff and Director Theresa Phillips opposed. Pfoff said

the property will be needed in the foreseeable future due to the rate of growth in the area.

President Matthew Clawson recommended that proceeds from the sale be held in reserve for future pur-

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