

District Accountability Advisory Committee, May 6

# Year-end reports summarized; new superintendent introduced

By Harriet Halbig

The Lewis-Palmer District 38 Accountability Advisory Committee (DAAC) ended the school year with reports from the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) and the Gifted Education Leadership Team, a review of Teacher Effectiveness Evaluations, and an introduction to incoming superintendent Karin Brofft.

Director of Exceptional Student Services May Anne Fleury reported that her department's responsibilities encompass special education, English language learners, Response to Intervention, Multi-Tiered System of Support Services (MTSS), extended school year (ESY), and 504 plans (similar to Individual Education Plans or IEPs).


Fleury said that there is now SEAC, a parent support network, and a Person-Centered Practices group supported by the Peak Parent Center. Assistive technology is also offered for those who are unable to write or have difficulty reading.

Fleury reported that the department continues to



**Above:** Incoming superintendent Karin Brofft, left, was introduced to the committee by Interim Superintendent Ted Bauman. Photo by Harriet Halbig.

meet all state requirements in its work. She said that the special education department served 524 students in the 2013-14 school year, or about 8.3 percent of the student population. Resources are available in all buildings—programs for those with significant support needs, intensive intervention for those with emotional needs, the Transitions program for students ages 18 to 21, preschool, and the ChildFind program to diagnose children from



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