

To: Board of Education

From: Marcel Harmon, president, board of education

Re: Introductions from Candidates for Open Seat on USD 497 Board of Education

Date: March 13, 2017

Background:

On February 10, 2017, Kris Adair submitted a letter of resignation from the USD 497 Board of Education. At its February 13 meeting, the Board of Education accepted the resignation. Her term was scheduled to expire on January 8, 2018.

A vacancy notice was published in the *Lawrence Journal-World* on Wednesday, February 15, 2017, and the application form made available on the USD 497 website. The deadline for applications to be submitted to the clerk of the board was March 6, 2017 at 5 p.m. Twenty-two (22) applications were received including three from individuals who chose to withdraw during the process, leaving 19.

Applicants have been invited to attend this meeting and asked to provide a 5-minute introduction outlining their qualifications and reasons for wanting to serve on the board. A 10-minute allotment of time will be given to answer questions from board members.

A special meeting has been called for Monday, March 27, which will include discussion of applicants and an appointment of one to serve a board term until January 8, 2018. A school board general election will be held on November 7, 2017.