

To: Board of Education

From: Kyle Hayden, superintendent

Re: Resolution to Extend Term of Office (Change in Election Law)

Date: July 7, 2016

Background:

In 2015, the Kansas Legislature passed House Bill 2014 which changed local election dates, including school board elections. These elections were previously held in the spring of odd-numbered years; however, they are now to be held on the Tuesday following the first Monday in November of odd-numbered years. If needed, primary elections will be held on the first Tuesday in August of odd-numbered years.

In addition to the change in election dates, the law states that term expiration dates will also change. If a board member's term began on July 1, 2013, he or she must file for reelection by June 1, 2017. If a board member is currently serving a term as of July 1, 2013, their term will expire on the second Monday in January 2018, which will be the start of the new term.

Board members who were elected on July 1, 2015, must file for reelection by June 1, 2019, if they wish to seek another term. If they are currently serving a term as of July 1, 2015, it will expire on the second Monday in January 2020, which will be the start of the new term.

Rationale:

Boards of education must pass a resolution stating that the terms of board members scheduled to expire in 2017 will now expire on the second Monday in January 2018.

Recommendation:

Administration recommends board approval of a resolution to extend the terms of office for those board members whose terms would expire at any time in 2017.

Motion:

"I move the Board of Education approve the **RESOLUTION TO EXTEND TERM OF OFFICE** for any board member whose term expires at any time in 2017."

**RESOLUTION TO EXTEND TERM OF OFFICE**

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 497, Douglas County, Kansas hereby extends the term of office for any elected board member whose term would expire at any time in 2017 until the second Monday in January of 2018, when newly elected members of the governing body and other newly elected officials shall take office pursuant to K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 25-21a01.

By:

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Board Member

**CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 497, Douglas County, Kansas, on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016.

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Clerk of the Board of Education