USD 430 board adopts budget (KNZA)--The South Brown County USD 430 Board of Education has adopted a 2021-22 budget that calls for net expenditures of nearly \$12 million and a two mill levy increase.

The action followed a hearing at their September 8 meeting drawing no public comment.

The budget contains an estimated tax rate of 44.129 mills, which is to generate \$1.8 million in revenue.

Following a second hearing, also drawing no public comment, the board approved a resolution to levy a property tax rate exceeding the revenue neutral tax rate that was established by new legislation approved by the Kansas Legislature this year.

Following an executive session, the board approved a negotiated contract with teachers as presented, which includes a \$1,000 increase in the base salary to \$40,100.

Also approved was an increase in pay for all other staff members.

That includes a 35 cent an hour increase for 9-month employees, 50 cent an hour increase for 12-month employees and licensed non-certified staff, 65 cent an hour increase for directors and district office staff and two percent increase for principals and the curriculum director.

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