

Pawnee City School Board seeking input on future of football

**(KLZA)-- The Pawnee City Board of Education will meet in special session Tuesday evening at 6:30 in the school cafeteria to receive feedback from the public about the options for the Pawnee City High School football teams for the 2022 and 2023 seasons.**

**Parents and patrons of the Pawnee City School District are encouraged to attend the meeting and express their opinions.**

**The Pawnee City School Board will be making a decision in the next month about the programs future. The options are to co-op with Lewiston and play 8-Man football; return to 8-man football as a standalone team or remain a 6-man standalone team for the next two year cycle.**

**The Nebraska School Activities Association deadline for two schools to declare a football co-op for the next two-year cycle is November 1. The NSAA deadline for a team to declare if it will play 8-man or 6-man football is November 30.**

**The Lewiston School Board sent a letter to Pawnee City in June inquiring about the possibility of discussing a shared Junior High and High school extra-curricular activities program with the Pawnee City School.**

**Pawnee City would remain eligible for the 6-man playoffs for the next two-year cycle even though the current count of boys in grades 9-11 would be above the NSAA maximum for playoff eligibility of 27.**

**Pawnee City Board members will not engage in conversation with, or answer questions from the public during the meeting.**

**If a football cooperative agreement were reached, the combined team would be playoff eligible as an 8-man team, likely in Class D1 for the next season.**

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