

affecting test scores and concern about the use of biometric scanning.

The board approved a list of routine items, including minutes of past meetings, contracts, hiring and resignations of staff,

policy revisions, and high school course requests.

The Board of Education of the Lewis-Palmer School District meets at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month in the

district's learning center, 146 Jefferson St., Monument. The next meeting will be on Dec. 19.

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D-38 District Accountability Advisory Committee, Nov. 12

Thoughts on a failed election effort

By Harriet Halbig

The Lewis-Palmer District Accountability Advisory Committee (DAAC) discussed recent election results and future student assessment processes at its Nov. 12 meeting.

School board liaison John Magerko said that when the board made the decision to run a mill levy override (MLO) on the November ballot, the appearance of constitutional Amendment 66 on the ballot had not been finalized. He assured the committee that despite the defeat of both financial ballot issues, District 38 is still afloat and a high-achieving district.

Magerko said that he felt the most positive aspect of the campaign was the number of contacts made between the district and its citizens. The board plans to determine which precincts were most in favor of the issue, and he suggested that if the board would move its meetings around in the district perhaps more members of the public would attend and be continuously informed about district actions.

An alternative might

be to hold a quarterly briefing to a targeted group of individuals from various segments of the community, he said.

Magerko also stated that business owners were particular-

ly resistant to the MLO because their tax assessments are a much higher percentage of property value than residential properties as a result of passage of the Gallagher Amendment in 1982. That

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