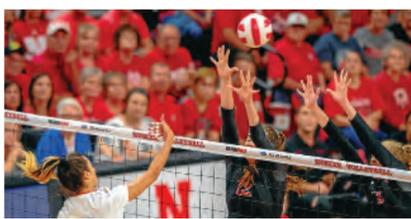


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Standing tall



MIKE THEILER, FOR THE JOURNAL STAR

Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (from left), House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Steve Laravie Jr. and Judi gaiashkibos applaud the unveiling of a statue of Ponca Chief Standing Bear in Statuary Hall at the U.S. Capitol on Wednesday in Washington. Laravie is a great-great-great-grandson of Standing Bear.

Chief Standing Bear takes place in Statuary Hall

CINDY LANGE-KUBICK
Lincoln Journal Star

WASHINGTON — All of the dignitaries are here.

The speaker of the House and the minority leader of the Senate. Nebraska's governor and senators and congressmen and the leader of the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska.

It's the middle of the afternoon inside the U.S. Capitol.

The politicians and the Ponca people and their in-

ited guests have gathered in Statuary Hall to honor a Ponca leader who long ago stood in an Omaha courtroom and held out his right hand.

"That hand is not the color of yours, but if I pierce it, I shall feel pain," Chief Standing Bear said in the language of his people. "If you pierce your hand you also feel pain. The blood that will flow from mine will be of the same color as yours. I am a man. The same

god made us both."

Then the grieving father and tribal leader told the judge of his dream — of standing on the banks of a wide river with his wife and daughter, unable to get home. The waters are rising and, in desperation, he searches until he spots a steep and rocky path to safety. Then he sees a man barring his way.

He looks at the judge: *You are that man.*

Judge Elmer Dundy would rule in favor of the Ponca chief and his right to return to his home in that 1879 landmark civil rights case.

"An Indian is a person within the meaning of the law," Dundy wrote. "And there is no law giving the Army authority to forcibly remove Indians from their lands."

The grand hall grows quiet Wednesday.

Standing Bear is here draped

in gold.

He is surrounded by history. Rosa Parks and Thomas Edison. Barry Goldwater and Marcus Whitman. Ethan Allen and Norman Borlaug and Sequoia.

The domed ceiling is

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Lots of numbers and little consensus

Ed board continues work on bond proposal

MARGARET REIST
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The Lincoln Board of Education delved into questions surrounding new high schools and athletic complexes, as well as the need to

renovate existing schools, during a wide-ranging discussion of a proposed bond issue Wednesday.

At the second of six planned work sessions — during which the school board intends to figure out which of the recommendations by a community task force it should include on a bond issue in 2020 — there were lots of numbers and

little consensus.

"We have \$460 million in needs," said board President Lanny Boswell. "As we look at the projects on the list I want more than an on-off switch."

He noted that the total cost of the recommendation on athletic facilities — building two at each of two new high schools and putting

artificial turf on practice fields at existing high schools — totaled \$23 million.

That's the cost of a new elementary school, he said, and he wants to know how the board could modify that and other recommendations.

"Do I have to go all-or-nothing?" he asked. "Or is there some

number in between where we can pick the low-hanging fruit (on a particular project)?"

The board hopes to make a decision by the end of November to meet the timeline of a special election in February. District officials said Wednesday they also

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