

Drexel R-IV Board of Education
January 18th, 2021
Board Meeting – Media Summary

Candidate Filing Information: the following have filed as candidates for the Drexel R-IV Board of Education – Brenda Hadley (incumbent) and Lynn Stark (incumbent). The terms of Brenda Hadley and Lynn Stark are set to expire. There are two positions open, each for a term of three years. The General Election date will be April 6th, 2021. According to state statute if the number of candidates is equal to the number of positions available then no election will be required.

1. The board approved the consent agenda, which included the minutes of the December 21st, 2020 regular meeting, the warrant report, payment of bills, treasurer's report and the petty cash report. The board also heard administrative reports (attached).
2. Under Old Business:
 - a. The board approved the 2021-2022 School Year Calendar. The first day of school will be Tuesday, August 24th, 2021. The scheduled last day of school will be Thursday, May 26th, 2022.
3. Under New Business:
 - a. The board approved a cooperative agreement with Miami for baseball and softball for the spring 2021 season. Miami will serve as the host school.
 - b. The board received a mid-year budget/finance update (attached).
4. The board held an executive session, taking the following action:
 - a. Approved adding Faith Hopkins, Nikki Tenholder and Mackenzie Winfield to the substitute teacher list, and approved Brenda Gorsage as food service substitute.
 - b. Accepted the resignation of Andrew Mace as custodian.
 - c. Approved the following personnel hires:
 - i. Jessica Yager – from part-time Title I Aide to ½ time special education paraprofessional and ½ time Title I Aide.
 - ii. Robyn Seba – from part-time Title I Aide to ½ time Parents as Teacher Coordinator and ½ time Title I Aide.
 - d. Conducted the annual evaluation of the Superintendent.

Submitted by,



Terry Mayfield
Superintendent

Superintendent Report
January 2021

Board Candidate Filing – as of Wednesday, January 13th, 2021 the only individual who has returned their candidate filing paperwork is Brenda Hadley. Krystal Shipps and Lynn Stark have filing packets but to date have not returned them. The terms of Brenda Hadley and Lynn Stark are set to expire. Candidate filing ends on Tuesday, January 19th, 2021 at 5:00 PM. The term for each position is for three years.

Cass County Kids First - The public school districts of Cass County collaboratively support legislative action that enhances the quality of education in the County. Cass County public school districts provide high quality education for students due to the support of local communities that value public education. Cass County districts serve more than 18,000 students and the population growth experienced in recent years can be attributed in part to the quality of the local schools. As the Missouri State Legislature considers legislative action in the 2021 session, the following priorities are collectively supported by the Cass County Kids First school districts:

School Choice Concerns

- Consistent enforceable standards for charter schools and MOCAP virtual schools
- All local tax dollars under the control of a publicly elected board
- No diversion of revenue through tax credit savings accounts
- No diversion of public funds to non-public schools or organizations

Funding

- Fully fund the Foundation and Transportation formulas
- Increase support for Parents as Teachers and Early Childhood Education
- Increase local bonding capacity to 20%
- Institute tax credit reform to help fund essential programs
- Provide school districts an opportunity to opt out of local tax abatements
- Appropriate funding for all new mandates
- Support for workforce development opportunities for students

Support Local Control

- Maintain non-partisan school board elections in April
- Curriculum and instructional practices
- Financial flexibility
- Educator evaluation and compensation
- Staff training requirements
- School calendar

Accountability

- Maintain high standards with local flexibility to achieve those standards
- Support struggling schools rather than punish them
- Reduce the reliance on standardized tests
- Support to help recruit and retain professional educators

Legislative Updates – the new legislative session for the Missouri State Legislature has recently convened. There have been several pre-filed bills that will be hot button issues for education this session. As with past legislative sessions, our members should be prepared for extensive discussions regarding education reform initiatives (i.e., open enrollment, virtual instruction expansion, charter funding modifications, voucher tax credits, charter school expansion, etc.)

Respectfully,

Terry

Drexel R-IV School District | 2021-2022 CALENDAR

August 17-20 PD/Work Days
August 24 First Day of School

AUGUST '21						
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FEBRUARY '22

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February 14 PD Day
February 28 PD Day

September 13 PD Day
September 27 PD Day

SEPTEMBER '21						
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March 11 End 3rd Quarter
March 14 Work Day
March 24 – 28 Spring Break

October 15 End 1st Quarter
October 18 Work Day
October 25 Parent/Teacher Conferences

OCTOBER '21						
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April 15 – 18 Easter Break
April 25 PD Day

November 15 PD Day
November 24-26 Thanksgiving Break

NOVEMBER '21						
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May 26 Last Day of School
May 27 Work Day

148 Student Days
165 Teacher Days

1,063 Student Hours

December 13 PD Day
December 17 End 2nd Quarter
December 20 – January 2 Christmas Break

DECEMBER '21						
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Make Up Days
December 6
January 10
February 7
March 7
April 4
May 2

January 3 Work Day
January 4 School Resumes
January 24 PD Day

JANUARY '22						
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JULY '22

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Approved by Drexel R-IV
Board of Education – January
18, 2021

Drexel R-IV Budget Updates
January 2021

YTD Comparison – Thru 12/31	Revenues	Expenditures	Difference
YTD Last Year Total (2019)	\$3,262,581	\$2,516,656	+\$745,925
YTD This Year Total (2020)	\$1,765,199	\$1,806,069	-\$40,870
YTD Last Year Operating (2019)	\$1,671,229	\$1,545,229	+\$126,000
YTD This Year Operating (2020)	\$1,655,553	\$1,423,171	+\$232,382
YTD Operating Difference	-\$15,676	-\$122,058	+\$106,382
	- 1%	- 8%	

Source	Budgeted	Received Thru 12/31/20	Received Thru 12/31/19	Total Received Last Year	Total Budgeted Last Year
<i>Local Revenue</i>					
Current Taxes	\$1,056,877	\$541,279	\$525,660	\$1,048,340	\$1,017,099
Prop C	\$254,375	\$145,928	\$139,609	\$282,232	\$298,368
Delinquent Taxes	\$110,000	\$50,962	\$29,909	\$111,983	\$110,000
<i>County Revenue</i>					
RR/Utilities	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$127,683	\$126,000
Fines	\$14,000	\$8,294	\$0	\$14,513	\$14,000
<i>State Revenue</i>					
Transportation	\$13,000	\$7,123	\$7,887	\$13,672	\$18,000
Classroom Trust Fund	\$114,276	\$52,489	\$58,241	\$90,064	\$120,464
Small Schools Grant	\$125,871	\$58,264	\$62,254	\$125,874	\$126,932
Basic Formula	\$1,424,846	\$618,826	\$700,934	\$1,424,446	\$1,474,750

- I feel confident that we can meet our local and county revenue estimates.
- I am not as confident that we can meet our state revenue estimates.
 - Currently reducing Basic Formula and Classroom Trust Fund by 9%
 - Year to date collections are significantly lower this year because this time last year there were no withholds in state revenues.
 - Current level of withholdings could result in \$84,000 reduction in budgeted revenues.
 - Could be offset by additional federal stimulus money

- Operating revenues were estimated at \$3,513,384 – while last year actual operating revenues were \$3,494,542. We will definitely need to keep a close watch on monthly revenues and projections for the remainder of the fiscal year to have a better idea of where our actual revenue numbers will end up.
- Operating expenditures have been estimated at \$3,509,189 – while last year actual operating expenditures were \$3,479,291. If we maintain a conservative approach to spending for the remainder of the fiscal year, I feel we can achieve this and not exceed our expenditure estimates.
- I would be happy to answer any questions...thank you!

Respectfully,

Terry