

Drexel R-IV Board of Education
Board Meeting Media Summary
January 2023

1. Board approved the consent agenda, which included the minutes of the December 19th regular meeting, warrant report, payment of bills, treasurer's report and petty cash report. There were no updates to the ESSER III or SRCSP plans this month. Also heard administrative reports (attached).
2. Under New Business
 - a. Board reviewed and discussed a financial analysis for short-term and long-term investments prepared with assistance from the Missouri Capital Asset Advantage Treasury (MOCAAT) Program.
 - b. Board approved a high school baseball cooperative agreement with Miami for the spring 2023 season.
3. The board held an executive session, taking the following action:
 - a. Approved the following additions to the substitute employee list:
 - Jeremy Rapp
 - Alicia LaGatta
 - Lacy Wheeler
 - b. Approved retirement resignations effective at the end of the current school year from:
 - Kelly Sims
 - Pam Bolton
 - Gary Griffin
 - c. Approved hiring Jessica Yager as an elementary teacher for 2023-2024.
 - d. Approved hiring Maycie Mayfield as an elementary teacher for 2023-2024.

Submitted by



Terry Mayfield
Superintendent

Superintendent Report
January 2023

- Board Candidate Filing – we had three individuals file for the board of education; Jennifer Thomas, Leah Martin and Andy Gorsage. As a result of the number of filers being equal to the number of positions that are available, we will not be required to have an election in April.
- General Obligation Bond Refunding - The refunding possibility that we talked about last year is not economical as the interest rates for that 2017 issue are currently 2.00% - 3.00%. We do have a Series 2019 issue that has 5.00% interest rates maturing from 2033-2039. That financing will become callable beginning March 1, 2024 and will most likely be economical at that time, although it's hard to project savings out that far. It is likely that this time next year we can take a look at ballot language and refunding options.
- Budget/Finance Update – YTD Comparisons

YTD Comparison – Thru 12/31/22	Revenues	Expenditures	Difference
YTD Last Year Total (2021)	\$1,584,202	\$1,664,956	-\$80,754
YTD This Year Total (2022)	\$1,668,269	\$1,959,305	-\$291,036
YTD Last Year Operating (2021)	\$1,523,341	\$1,607,420	-\$84,079
YTD This Year Operating (2022)	\$1,618,139	\$1,905,019	-\$286,880
19-20 Operating Actuals	\$3,494,543	\$3,479,291	+\$15,252
20-21 Operating Actuals	\$3,811,064	\$3,588,762	+\$223,302
21-22 Operating Actuals	\$3,870,691	\$3,675,215	+\$195,476
22-23 Operating Budgeted	\$3,798,385	\$3,733,547	+64,838

Source	Budgeted	Received Thru 12/31/22
<i>Local Revenue</i>		
Current Taxes	\$1,164,370	\$244,874
Delinquent Taxes	\$115,000	\$40,795
Prop C	\$347,743	\$184,990
<i>County Revenue</i>		
RR/Utilities	\$127,500	\$0.00
Fines	\$9,000	\$9,452
<i>State Revenue</i>		
Transportation	\$70,000	\$27,525
Classroom Trust Fund	\$115,042	\$56,965
Small Schools Grant	\$114,976	\$55,452
Basic Formula	\$1,471,343	\$737,699

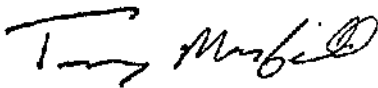
- Operations Updates
 - Facilities & ESCO RFQ
 - The request for qualifications for a guaranteed energy savings contractor has been issued and responses are due February 3, 2023. To date, two companies have requested information, but none have submitted a response. The goal is to select a company at the February board meeting and if it is necessary, the board may need to conduct interviews prior to that. By selecting a firm to work with, they can assist the district in applying for energy infrastructure improvement grants and work with the district to develop potential projects for the district's facilities.
 - Food Service
 - December served 1,780 breakfasts (137/day which includes serving around 55 second chance breakfasts each day). Nearly 50% of our students are eating breakfast at school each day.
 - December served 2,145 lunches (165/day). Nearly 57% of our students are eating lunch at school each day.
 - Transportation & Transportation RFP
 - The request for proposals for student transportation services has been issued and proposals are due February 1, 2023. To date, six companies have requested information, but none have submitted a proposal. The goal is to select a company at the February board meeting and if it is necessary, the board may need to conduct interviews prior to that. If the district does make a change in providers, it must be done in February in order to notify the current contractor that the district intends to terminate the agreement.
 - Health Services
 - There were a total of 467 health office visits for the month of December. 22 students were sent home. Cass County Dental will be coming January 17-19th and will be seeing students who have signed up for this program. They will be providing dental cleanings, x-rays and virtual exams by the dentist. We are very excited we are able to offer this service at school.
 - Technology
 - The district has filed paperwork in the E-Rate program for funding through the Emergency Connectivity Fund and Category 2 Fund. The district is requesting funding and seeking bids for Chromebooks under the Emergency Connectivity Funds grant. Under the Category 2 E-Rate funding, the district is requesting funding and seeking bids for two 48 port Switches with SFP+ with required GBICs and OM4 patch cables. As well as replacing Access points in 12 rooms and run cat 6 lines and install access points for the remaining 25 classrooms. These Access Points should be managed using a singular management console similar to Aruba Central, Meraki, Extreme, etc.
- Legislative Updates
 - Education is to be a hot topic in the Missouri legislature in 2023. Gleaming through the subject areas of those bills, there is a vast array of topics that members

should expect to see debated in the coming weeks and months as bills move through the process. Those include, in no particular order;

- Critical Race Theory
- Transgender Participation in Athletics
- Parents Bill of Rights
- Property Tax Relief
- State Tax Cuts
- Foundation Formula
- Transportation Funding
- Open Enrollment
- Charter School Expansion
- Vouchers
- Teacher Pay Increases (including merit pay)
- Four-Day School Week

Respectfully,

Terry Mayfield, Superintendent

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry Mayfield". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "T" and a stylized "M".