

*Drexel R-IV School Board of Education  
January 20, 2025  
Board Meeting – Media Summary*

*The following is a Media Summary of agenda items discussed and/or acted on by the Drexel R-IV School Board of Education during the January 20, 2025 meeting.*

### ***Board Policy Review***

*The Board of Education held the second reading of MSBA 2024D policies. Policies changes included language clarifications and changes necessary to comply with Missouri Statute. The Board voted to adopted MSBA's recommendation of the policy changes.*

*The Board heard clarification and discussed policies on part-time and home school students as it relates to extracurricular activities. They also reviewed elements of the McKinney Vento Law as it relates to Board policy.*

### ***Third Party Technology***

*The Board of Education heard a report concerning progress of the technology conversion service from Heartland to K12itc. Overall the conversion has been a positive experience. There have been some issues as expected, but the K12itc technicians seems very knowledgeable and responsive in resolving them.*

### ***Construction / Bond Update***

*McConnell Construction Company plan to begin work on the playground remodel and south parking lot entrance in early June. Plans are still being developed for the upgrade on the stadium plaza area. Bids will be out in early March, with construction to be completed by July 20<sup>th</sup>.*

### ***Capital Expenses***

*A list of potential capital expenses was presented to the Board. The list consisted of items recommended by teachers, administrators, and board members. The recommendation is to continually revise and prioritize the list, implementing items as funds become available. Many of the items on the list could be funded with remaining 2024 bond issue monies.*

### ***Principal Presentation***

*Principal Jenny Wheeler explained the "Scoreboard Grading Plan" implemented at the secondary level. SGP was implemented in an effort to hold students more accountable for the monitoring of their grades and progress in each of their courses. Early result has shown the plan to be successful.*

***Personnel***

*The Board of Education accepted the resignation of Janice Russell as Food Service Director, Donna Rooney as Middle School Language Arts Teacher, and Jessica Yager as Middle School Assistant Volleyball Coach.*

*The Board approved the recommendation to hire Britanni Nichols as Interim Food Service Director, James Kinney as Substitute Bus Driver, and Amy Faulkner as Substitute Food Service Cook.*

*Respectfully,*

*Gary French*