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Bernie R-XIII School District Weekly Activities - October 26th - 31st

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CALENDAR

Monday, October 26

District Volleyball Tournament TBA

JH Basketball @ Bernie against Bloomfield 6:00pm

Tuesday, October 27

Band fundraiser begins

District Volleyball Tournament TBA

Thursday, October 29

Jackson Speech Tournament

JH Basketball @ Dexter 5:30PM

Friday, October 30

JH Basketball @ Twin Rivers 6:00pm

Saturday, October 31

Cross Country District TBA

Monday, November 2

Twin Rivers JH Basketball Tournament

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DHS Weekly Event - Monday, October 26th -

November 1st

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DHS Weekly Event - Monday, October 26th - November 1st

Dexter High School - This listing of weekly activities is a service offered by the ShowMe Times, working in partnership with Dexter High School principal, Alana Dowdy, and DHS Asst. Principal Melissa Hahn for your convenience.

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CALENDAR

Monday 10-26-2020

FCCLA Fundraiser

Class 3 - District 1 Volleyball Tournament at BEC

Dexter vs. Kennett at 6:00 pm

Tuesday 10-27-2020

FCCLA Fundraiser

Class 3 - District 1 Volleyball Tournament at BEC

Championship Match at 6:00 pm

Wednesday 10-28-2020

FCCLA Fundraiser

Thursday 10-29-2020

FCCLA Fundraiser

Flick on the Field hosted by STUCO, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Friday 10-30-2020

FCCLA Fundraiser

Poplar Bluff Technical Career Center - Not in Session

Varsity Football - District One Round One, Away TBD

Saturday 10-31-2020

District Cross Country Meet at Arcadia Valley, bus 8:30 am

Sunday 11-01-2020

No Scheduled Activities

* Tuesday, November 3rd - AMI Day / General Election

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Dexter School Board Meeting Minutes - October 20, 2020

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Dexter School Board Meeting Minutes - October 20, 2020

Dexter, MO - The Dexter School Board met on October 20, 2020. Below are the notes from that meeting.

Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge:

The Board President announced the meeting is to begin, ascertains the attendance status of all board members as present, and then leads in the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda was approved.

Public Comments: There were no public comments made.

Old Business:

There was no old business during this meeting.

New Business:

- A. The board approved the 19-20 audit presented by Patrick Kintner.
- B. The board approved the 20-21 budget amendments for the month of October.
- C. The board approved bus routes for the 20-21 school year presented by Gavin Miller.
- D. The board approved the 20-21 assessment plan presented by Laura Stone.
- E. The board approved the 19-20 A+ program report presented by Laura Stone.
- F. The board approved the local compliance plan for special education presented by Jessica Lambert.

- G. The board approved change order #3 for the remaining construction projects. This included window tinting for the high school and plaques to be placed in the new buildings.
- H. The board approved changes to the 20-21 school calendar. Three full days will be changed to three-½ days of student attendance. This will be used for collaborative PD and virtual instructional planning for teachers. The dates of these early release days are: 1/29, 3/11, 4/1.

Discussion Items: The following items were discussed with the board:

- A. Principal's Reports
- B. Nurse's Report
- C. Assistant Superintendent Report
- D. Superintendent's Report (See Attachment)
- E. Next Regular Board Meeting is November 17, 2020.

In Closed Session:

1. The board approved the following substitutes for the 20-21 school year:

Joyce Cash-Nurse

Brittany Mathis-Nurse

Tanner Boening

Kristin Cooper

Jackie Kiger

Tristan Montgomery

Leslie Neely

Michael Williams

Judy Miller

Marissa Mills

Kriste Hux

- 2. The board approved hiring of Jonathon Davis as a full-time IT Technician for the 2020-2021 school year.
- 3. The board approved the transfer of Josh Hester as a sub bus driver to a full-time bus driver.

- 4. The board approved the letter of resignation from Christy Kelly effective 10/14/20-Central building aide.
- 5. The board approved the termination of Evan Quoos, all employment-effective Friday, September 18, 2020.
- 6. The board approved the termination of Heather Quoos, bus aide-effective Friday, September 18, 2020.
- 7. The board denied a request from a certified staff member to be released from their current contract, effective immediately.
- 8. The board reviewed a letter from a group of 6th grade parents regarding gym rentals. The board agreed to the opening of rentals with increased procedures to safeguard against COVID-19. This will begin on 11/9/2020.
- 9. The board approved the hiring of Brooke Gott as the Central building aide for the 2020-2021 school year, pending a favorable background check.
- 10. The board approved the hiring of Christina Jenkins as the Central library aide for the 2020-2021 school year, pending a favorable background check.
- 11. The board was informed of any staff member currently following an improvement plan or notice of deficiency.
- 12. The board approved the letter of resignation from Heather Rice effective 12/31/20-high school secretary.

Items at the conclusion of Executive Session A. None at this time.

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Dinner Offered for FREE to Students at all School Sites

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Dinner Offered for FREE to Students at all School Sites

Poplar Bluff, MO - Free dinner meals are being served either to go or on-site after school beginning today, in a district-led food service effort to reach more students.

Poplar Bluff's food service director, Dixie Harden of Chartwells, has been making arrangements with principals since September in order for her staff to accommodate the specific needs of each building.

Early Childhood, Eugene Field, Lake Road, Oak Grove and Junior High students will receive bagged meals to go, while students participating in after-school activities such as clubs, sports or latch-key at Kindergarten, O'Neal, Middle School and High School will have an option to eat their meals on-site.

"Meal participation rates have been down tremendously, and this is a way to meet a need for both our students and the community," stated Dr. Amy Jackson, R-I assistant superintendent of business

The district's participation rate has been impacted by students quarantined due to contact tracing. In addition, about 15 percent of the population had enrolled in the Poplar Bluff Virtual Academy for the first quarter. The virtual learners have also been given the option to pick up meals at one of the district's three curbside sites: O'Neal, Middle School or the

High School.

The United States Department of Agriculture has issued a series of waivers under the federal nutrition assistance program, and recently announced that free meals for students, grades preK-12, will be extended through the end of the school year to help combat hunger during the public health emergency.

"There are a lot of people still struggling, I mean really struggling, and I don't want our kids to go hungry, basically," Harden explained. "Amy's helped and Dr. Scott Dill," superintendent, "is always on board, when it comes to feeding kids; it's just imperative that we do."

For more information about dinner services, contact the individual school building, or call Chartwells at 573-785-0486.

Pictured: O'Neal Elementary students participating in Boys and Girls Club or latch-key line up for dinner when the after-school meal service was first introduced at select sites one year ago.

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2020 Miss DHS is MaKenzie Yount

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2020 Miss DHS is MaKenzie Yount

Dexter, MO - The 2020 Miss DHS was announced on Thursday, October 22nd. Due to COVID-19 each candidate was presented and escorted in front of their parents and the high school students at Charles Bland Stadium.

MeKenzie Yount was crowned 2020 Miss DHS.

2020 second alternate is Mikayla Dodson.

2020 first alternate is Chloe Thurmon.

Pictured from left to right: Chloe thurmon, MeKenzie Yount, and Mikayla Dodson.

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