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Dexter Bearcat Booster Club Annual Membership Drive

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Dexter, Missouri - The 2016 - 2017 school year has begun and members of the Dexter Bearcat Booster Club are busy making plans for an exciting year for our beloved Bearcat Nation!

It's time to join the Dexter Bearcat Booster Club! Join on or before August 12th to have your name included in the Fall Sports programs. memberships received after August 12, 2016 will be included in the Winter Sports programs.

Membership forms are available on their Facebook page by **clicking [HERE](#)** or stop in at FM Bank in downtown Dexter and see Dana Adams, Booster Club President.

Memberships are available for recent Alumni between the ages of 18 and 25 for just \$15.00. Individual Membership is \$25.00. Family Membership is \$50.00 and includes two Athletic Passes.

If you would like to purchase a Sponsor Membership it's just \$250 and it includes two Athletic Passes and a Dexter Bearcat Booster Club yard sign. A Corporate Membership is \$500 and includes one All-Sport Pass and a Dexter Bearcat Booster Club yard sign.

“The purpose of this organization’s existence is to lend support to the total student activities program at the Dexter High School and Middle School recognizing and respecting the school administration’s responsibility to determine what that program shall include and the policies that shall be followed. Additionally, the organization will encourage school spirit, citizenship, and physical growth through keen competition.”

The 2016 - 2017 Booster Club Board Members are Dana Adams (President), Jim Murdock (Vice President), Kristi Whitehead (Secretary), Kristi Boles (Treasurer), Jimmy Aldridge, Travis Miller, Tracy Hedrick, Ken Rinehart, Chris Brannan, Bonnie Howard, Dale Jackson, and Hank Trout.

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Retired Dexter School Staff Invited to Luncheon

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Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter Public School would like to extend an invitation to the retired Dexter School Staff!

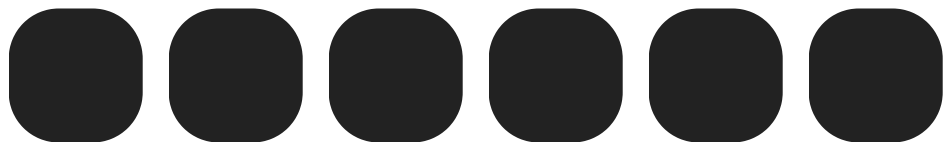
Their annual back-to-school luncheon will be held on Monday, August 8th at 11:30 a.m. in the high school cafeteria.

All retired Dexter School Teachers are encouraged to attend!

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Dexter Band Camp Begins Monday

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Dexter, Missouri - Marching band camp will be held at Dexter High School on Monday, August 1 through Friday, August 5.

Monday is for freshmen and drum majors only; the full band should report Tuesday through Friday.

Monday: Freshmen and drum majors only, 8:30-11:30 am

Tuesday through Friday: All high school band members, 8:30-11:30 am and 1:00-4:00 pm

Band members are reminded to bring their instruments and water bottles. Wear comfortable clothes for camp to beat the heat; light-colored shirts, shorts, hats, sunglasses, etc. Please do not wear sandals to camp!

The band will present a field show performance on Friday, August 5 at 6:00pm on the band field for friends and family.

The performance will be a preview of our field show for this year and will last approximately fifteen minutes. Parents and the community is encouraged to attend on Friday. Don't forget to follow the Dexter High School Band on Facebook by clicking **HERE**.

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July 2016 Dexter School Board Meeting Minutes

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July 2016 Dexter School Board Meeting Minutes

Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter School Board met on Tuesday, July 26, 2016 for a regular July board meeting. Below are the minutes taken at the meeting.

Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge The Board President announced the meeting was to begin, ascertained the attendance status of Board members, and led in the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Consent Agenda was approved.
Public Comments None at this time

Old Business

A. The Board approved MSBA Policy Update 2016 as presented by Mr. Wood.

New Business

A. MARE membership

The Board renewed its membership with the Missouri Association of Rural Education.

B. 2016-2017 District Goals

The district goals were revised for Board approval. See attached.

C. Date and Time for August Tax Rate Hearing

The date for the annual public Tax Rate Hearing was scheduled at 5:50 PM immediately before our next regular Board meeting on August 16, 2016.

D. Set non-resident tuition

The Board approved the 2016-2017 non-resident tuition rate of \$7,900.00

E. Special Education Local Compliance Plan

The Board approved the 2016-17 Special Education compliance plan.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. The Board approved the refunding by L.J. Hart & Company for the Series 2011 Bonds that will reduce the avg. interest rate from 2.32% down to 1.02% for an approximate saving of \$167,000.00.

B. Teacher Orientation Meeting and Staff Luncheon -- The Board of Education was invited to attend the general staff meeting on the opening day of teacher workshops on Monday, August 8th in the high school auditorium.

The Board of Education was invited to attend the annual staff luncheon at 11:30 AM on Monday, August 8th in the high school cafeteria.

Our entire staff will be at this luncheon along with a large number of retirees.

C. MSBA Fall Conference -- Mr. Wood informed the board the MSBA Fall Conference will be held from Wednesday, September 28th through the evening of Friday, October 1st @ Tan-Tar-A.

D. Mr. Wood updated the board on what has transpired over the summer: The marquee on Grant and One Mile road has been installed and is expected to be completed with a topper and skirting by the beginning of school.

The new phone system is being installed within the district and will be completed by the time school starts.

The football scoreboard installation started this week and is expected to be completed within the next few weeks in time for the football jamboree.

The park / school partnership with the baseball facility is underway, the dugouts are gone, backstop gone and the infield has been leveled again to prepare it for the grass infield. This is on schedule to be completed late this fall.

In executive session the Board:

* accepted the resignation of SW paraprofessional Tonya Whitehead.

* approved the transfer assignment of Jana Blankenship to SW Elementary Building aide.

* approved the employment of paraprofessional Charity Busby for 2016-2017 school year

* approved the employment of paraprofessional Tate Midkiff for 2016-2017 school year

* approved the employment of paraprofessional Kimberly Crumley for 2016-2017 school year

* approved the employment of paraprofessional Hannah Mathis for 2016-2017 school year

* approved the employment of paraprofessional Misty Kaufman for 2016-2017 school year

* approved the employment of paraprofessional Janet Guethle for 2016-2017 school year

* approved the assignment of head girls tennis coach April Aldridge for 2016-2017 school year

* approved the employment of asst. girls tennis coach Chris Brannon for 2016-2017 school year

* approved the employment of head MS boys basketball coach Lloyd Hyten for 2016-2017 school year

* approved a list of potential substitute teachers

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Local Musicians to Present FREE Concert in Dexter

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Dexter, Missouri - The Southeast Missouri Regional Jazz Orchestra will present their annual summer concert this Friday, July 29 at 6:00pm in the Dexter High School auditorium. This concert is free and is open to the public.

The orchestra will perform a variety of musical styles, including toe-tapping jazz/rock fusion songs such as The Chicken and Chuck Mangione's Land of Make Believe; some classic jazz favorites like In the Mood, Georgia on My Mind, Pennsylvania 6-5000, and April in Paris; and patriotic tunes including The Star-Spangled Banner and our New Orleans-infused version of The Stars and Stripes Forever.

This group is comprised of sixteen area musicians from diverse ages and occupations, including nine teachers, one school superintendent, five college students, and one high school student. This year's performers are:

Saxophone Section

Scott Rybolt • Band Director, Dexter High School

Dr. Kyle Dare • Superintendent of Schools, Puxico School District

Pride Wilder • Music Teacher, East Carter School District

Erin Lauters • College Student, Arkansas State University

Aaron Decker • Band Director, Poplar Bluff School District

Trumpet Section

Adam Clark • Third Grade Teacher, Central Elementary School - Dexter

Jeremy Frazier • Band Director, Scott County Central School District

Cody Jinkerson • Band Director, T.S. Hill Middle School - Dexter
Gina Magarian • College Student, Arkansas State University

Trombone Section

Corey Bennett • English Teacher, Dexter High School
Matt Filer • Band Director, Malden School District
Matt Flannigan • College Student, Southeast Missouri State University
Brooks Propst • College Student, Arkansas State University

Rhythm Section

Kyle Clay • Bass Guitar • Band Director, Scott City School District
Addison Moore • Percussion • College Student, University of Central Arkansas
Sam Traxel • Piano • Student, Poplar Bluff High School

The SEMO Jazz Orchestra was founded in the year 2000, and has been performing summer concerts ever since. This year is our 16th season, and we are thrilled to continue to make music for our audience. Jazz is America's original art form, and it is our honor to share it with you.

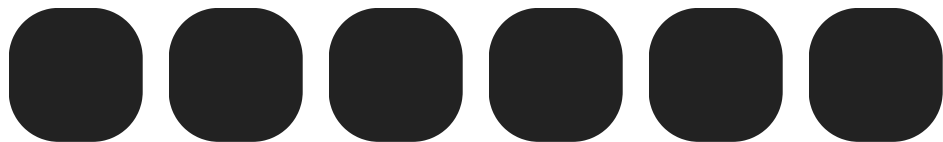
The concert begins Friday, July 29 at 6:00pm in the auditorium of Dexter High School. Again, this performance is FREE and open to the public - come spend a hot summer night listening to some cool music. We look forward to performing for you!

Shown in the photo: Back row, from left: Jeremy Frazier, Adam Clark, Corey Bennett, front row, from left: Erin Lauters, Gina Magarian

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