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## Bernie School Board Meeting Held January 9, 2017

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Bernie School Board Meeting Held January 9, 2017

**Bernie, Missouri -** The Board of Education for Bernie Public Schools met on Monday, January 9, 2017.

The last day to for candidates to file for a school board position is Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. Positions expiring are Rick Beaird, Denny Riddle, and Kenneth Walters.

Rick Beaird and Denny Riddle have refiled. The board positions are on a three year term.

Three formal letters of resignation were presented and approved. Beverly Karnes, Special Ed Paraprofessional, Sheila Morris, Bernie High School Custodian, and Beck Ingle, High School Special Ed Teacher.

The Board also approved annual evaluations on both the Gifted Program and the Personnel Program.

In executive session the board extended the contract of Superintendent Dustin Hicks to three year. He is serving in his first year as Bernie Superintendent.

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### Dexter Elks December Students of the Month

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Dexter Elks December Students of the Month

**Bernie, Missouri -** The Dexter Elks December Students of the Month are Logan Asher and Madissen Corbin of Bernie High School. Both are seniors and will graduate in May 2017

Larry White, Dexter Elks Lodge member, presented certificates and \$50 checks for Savings Bonds to Logan and Madissen.

Logan is the son of Aaron Asher and Stephanie Miller.

Madissen is the daughter of Kevin and Karen Corbin.

Logan and Madissen are competing with honorees from the other Stoddard County schools for the Dexter Elks Students of the Year.

Both students, along with their parents and counselor, Lisa Henry, will be honored with a banquet to be held at the Dexter Elks Lodge later next spring. The Elks Students of the Year will be announced at the spring banquet.

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# Spitzer Receives Scholarship

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Spitzer Receives Scholarship

**Bernie, Missouri -** Lari Spitzer, daughter of Kevin and Lisa Spitzer of Bernie, was recognized at the annual Southeast Missouri State University Scholarship Reception held on November 4th at the Show Me Center in Cape Girardeau.

More than 600 people attended the recognition event where more than 400 scholarship recipients were recognized for outstanding academic records, leadership, and/or athletic success.

Spitzer, a junior in early childhood education, was recognized as a recipient of the James M. and Joyce Petty Overby Family Scholarship, a scholarship endowed by former Bernie residents.

Joyce Overby and one of her three daughters, Diane Overby Sides, were on hand to congratulate Spitzer.

Spitzer is a 2015 graduate of Bernie High School and was active in Sr. Beta Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Pep Club, and was also on the Academic Team and Publications. She was a member of the varsity softball team and varsity cheer.

This is the second year Sitzer has been awarded the Overby Family Scholarship.

Shown in the provided photo are from left to right: Joyce Overby, Diane Overby Sides, Lari Spitzer, and Dr. Carlos Vargas, President of Southeast Missouri State University.

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## Students Thank Local Businesses for Their Donations

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Students Thank Local Businesses for Their Donations

**Bernie, Missouri -** Both kindergarten classrooms of Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Galloway have spent the past few months learning about plants during science class.

Through the donations of many community members, the students have been able to learn hands on about pumpkins, gourds, cotton, corn, and sunflowers.

Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Galloway would like to extend their thanks to the following businesses: Melissa and Jason Shelton, Allen Below Farms and Tatum Stone, and Dustin Neeley Farms

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# Bernie HS Student Council Halloween Costume Contest

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Bernie HS Student Council Halloween Costume Contest

**Bernie, Missouri -** The Bernie High School Student Council will host a Halloween Costume Contest for grades 7th -12th on Monday, October 31st.

Awards will be given in the following categories:

- Most Creative
- Best Couple
- Best Group (3+)
- Best Faculty Costume
- Most Authentic
- Cutest Costume
- Funniest Costume

All costumes must follow the school dress code. Clown costumes, masks, full face paint, and blood/gore are prohibited. Don't forget, this is a Clash of the Classes competition. Please see Mrs. Bates if you have any questions.

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