

*Drexel R-IV School Board of Education  
August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
Board Meeting – Media Summary*

*Tax Rate Hearing*

*Following a Tax Levy Hearing the Drexel BOE voted to adopt a general fund tax ley of 4.1526 and a debt service levy of 1.0672. This keeps the tax flat compared with 2023-2024 school year.*

*Class of 2025*

*The Class of 2025's Graduation Ceremony was set for Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 2:00 PM.*

*Construction Report*

*The construction update included upcoming training on the Building Automated System, which will be conducted in early September. The north parking lot asphalt project has been delayed. The playground ground cover, TPO roof, door installation and north gym ductwork have all been completed.*

*School Security*

*Police Chief, Bill Downey presented A.L.I.C.E. training. A.L.I.C.E is an intruder response program used by many public schools. Chief Downey is a certified A.L.I.C.E trainer and will be presenting to school district employees on September 9<sup>th</sup>.*

*Utility Payments*

*The BOE authorized the Central Office to enroll in autopay for utility bills. This will eliminate late charges due to the timing in receiving the invoices.*

*Financial Audit*

*DSWA, our financial auditing firm, has completed their on-site audit and will provide our final audit document in October.*

*Personnel*

*The BOE approved the hiring of Josie Parks as a paraprofessional and Tiffany Nelson as the special education early childhood assistant director. The board accepted Holly Bennett's resignation as the transportation monitor position.*

*Respectfully,*

*Gary French*

