

District Education Improvement Committee Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2024

Teaching, Learning, and Innovation Building

PD Room 1

4:30 PM to 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Learning Lisa Mott. She led the committee in reciting the district's motto and asked the members to share Good Things.

Dr. Hollingworth welcomed the members. He shared the excitement regarding the SSEP projects and next steps for students to get their science experiment ready to be launched into space! Students and staff will attend the lift-off at the Kennedy Space Center and later on to the Smithsonian to present their products. Regarding the recent District Deep Dive professional development days, this structure was very well received by the staff during January training days. He asked the committee to keep that in mind when developing the 2024-2025 school calendar. The board will finalize the rezoning plan to meet the attendance needs of the new schools and effectively distribute student populations. He gave background information on the recent naming of comprehensive high school #2 as Waxahachie Creek High School.

Ms. Kubin reviewed the progress on Title funds expenditures. In Plan4Learning, she shared the formative assessment completions for the district and campus improvement plans. Comprehensive Needs Assessment requirements and committee member training will be addressed at a later meeting.

Mrs. Mott clarified district requirements that must be met when developing the calendar. Homecoming and Fair Day are not set as yet and won't be announced until early February. She led the committee in reviewing the edited calendar reflecting feedback from the previous DEIC meeting. The committee broke up into small groups to look for trends in feedback gleaned from district departments and campuses. Dr. Hollingsworth clarified any misconceptions. Committee members shared-out their findings of common themes from the feedback followed by sharing out of possible calendar edit recommendations. Mott shared another calendar option that adds five minutes to each day that would give more flexibility, allow the end of the school year to fall before Memorial Day, Global HS would be able to host graduation on a student holiday, and give staff a mini Fall break.

With all the feasible possibilities, Mrs. Mott asked the committee members to go back to their respective campuses or departments to gain more feedback from staff. The committee will reconvene on Thursday, Feb. 1, 2023 to make final calendar recommendations.

The meeting was adjourned by Mrs. Mott at 6:05 PM.

DISTRICT EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Teaching, Learning, & Innovation

51 Northgate Drive

January 25, 2024

4:30 P.M.

NAME	ROLE	SIGNATURE
Averett, David	District Level Professional	David Averett
Baskin, Noel	Classroom Teacher	
Bearden, Bonnie	SPED Reading Specialist	Bonnie Bearden
Beller, Kyle	Parent	
Binnicker, Ashley	Non-Auxiliary Professional	Ashley Binnicker
Binnicker, Dustin	District Level Professional	Dustin Binnicker
Bryant-Contreras, Latoya	Parent	
Carrillo, Julia	Classroom Teacher	
Chambliss, Jessica	Classroom Teacher	Jessica Chambliss
Chapman, Brittini	Classroom Teacher	
Cunningham, Jenifer	Classroom Teacher	Jenifer Cunningham
Coker, Daniel	Classroom Teacher	Daniel Coker
Davis, Debbie	Classroom Teacher	Debbie Davis
De La Cruz, Courtney	Classroom Teacher	
Dunn, Shanna	Business	Shanna Dunn
Elias, Lisa	Classroom Teacher	Lisa Bliss
Freels, Gina	Classroom Teacher	Gina Freels
Glass, Bridget	Counselor	
Griffith, Brittany	Principal	Brittany Griffith
Hanna, Lorie	Classroom Teacher	

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Hauptman, Allyson	Classroom Teacher	
Harwell, Melissa	Classroom Teacher	<i>Melissa Harwell</i>
Herod, Amber	ECSE Teacher	<i>Amber Herod</i>
Hicks, Rainey	Community	
Hill, Tammy	Librarian	<i>Tammy Hill</i>
Huckabee, Amber	Classroom Teacher	<i>Amber Huckabee</i>
Hughes, Kristen	Classroom Teacher	<i>Kristen Hughes</i>
Ippert, Jeremiah	Classroom Teacher	<i>Jeremiah Ippert</i>
Jensen, Amy	Librarian	<i>Amy Jensen</i>
Keser, Ryan	Classroom Teacher	<i>Ryan Keser</i>
Kline, Caren	Classroom Teacher	<i>Caren Kline</i>
Leever, Tyler	Classroom Teacher	<i>Tyler Leever</i>
Malone, Tanisha	Principal	
Mansfield, Lauren	Paraprofessional	
Marshall, Richard	Community	<i>Richard Marshall</i>
Mott, Lisa	District Level Professional	
Reynolds, Meaghan	Classroom Teacher	<i>Meaghan Reynolds</i>
Robinson, Ginger	Director Educational Support	<i>Ginger Robinson</i>
Rodriguez, Stephanie	Dyslexia	
Saldivar, Jeffrey	Classroom Teacher DAEP	<i>Jeffrey Saldivar</i>
Schwiezer, Laura	Classroom Teacher	
Sesker, Michelle	Classroom Teacher	
Smith, Gwen	Paraprofessional	<i>Gwen Smith</i>
Starnater, Melissa	School Board	<i>Melissa Starnater</i>
Stranksy, Kylie	ECSC Teacher	<i>Kylie Stranksy</i>
Vasquez, Vanessa	SLE Teacher	
Walker, Christopher	Classroom Teacher	

DEIC
January 25, 2024

Comprehensive Needs Assessment

District Improvement Plan Evaluation

Current Title Budget Expenditures

Title I - appr. 88% (includes 2023-2024 payroll)

Title II - appr.40%

Title III - 75% (includes 2023-2024 payroll)

Title IV - appr. 72%

January Formative Review

Calendar Development

Important Notes about School Calendars

- Our Focus: Building a Calendar that is Great for **Student Learning**
- The Calendar must include 75,600 minutes of instruction
- Teachers must work 187 days
 - Having fewer days of instruction **requires more** Work Days or Professional Development days
- Expectations
 - 2 bad weather days, Fair Day, Parent/Teacher Conferences, Homecoming
- Flexibility
 - Start and End dates, Holiday Breaks, Early Release, Designated Professional Learning or Work Days



Calendar Option #3 “Wishes”

Start date from moved from Monday to Wednesday

Repurposed 11/4 off to allow for a mid week start

Professional day of 2/21 was moved to 2/24

Good Friday PL and holiday on Monday after Easter were flipped

Pushed to last day past Memorial Day in order to accommodate the mid-week late start (Opening Jimmy Ray)

Added an additional PL day prior to school star. Removed the work day after the last day in May

Quick Glance - DEIC edited calendar

- Prior to school, 3 PD days and 2 work days
- Teachers return on Thursday, August 6, 2024
- Teachers last day is Friday, May 29, 2025
- School starts on Wednesday, August 14, 2024
- School ends on Thursday, May 29, 2025
- Includes traditional holidays (Thanksgiving, Christmas, Spring Break)
- Includes 7 Professional Learning/PLC days within the school year (9/20, 10/25, 11/15, 1/7, 2/14, 3/17, 4/21)
- Includes 2 Early Release days (12/20, 5/29)
- 76,980 minutes of instruction (3 built in days)
- 1st semester = 82 days 2nd semester = 90 days

2024-2025 DEIC edited calendar

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1x3YvwkE6gYAjMMGtHTTs6Rw_gHLDtW86-LklixQdfvs/edit?usp=sharing

Expectations for Campus Feedback

- All teachers and staff are able to review the presented calendar options and provide feedback to their DEIC representatives and/or campus administrators
 - “Calendars and Cocoa”
 - Faculty meetings
 - Leadership meetings
- Each campus will provide feedback via the following GoogleDoc:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1aT5NIWbWLFsoxQ03iX2Q7RwZZUbhBiGwv1kac9Tiuyg/edit?usp=sharing>
 - Each campus should submit feedback and comments from their campus' staff members
 - DEIC representatives and the campus principal should ensure that the comments entered are accurate and comprehensive
- Commentary from each campus should be submitted no later than **January 22, 2024**

Plan for tonight

- ❑ Review campus feedback

(If possible)

- ❑ Finalize calendar for school board presentation

Possible calendar from feedback

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Uupj1LXVQ3jxdSFSy0tp7bAKMIDIitkAZLv83cRQS-g/edit?usp=sharing>

**District Education Improvement Committee
Meeting Agenda**

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Teaching, Learning, and Innovation Building
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Call to Order

Good Things

District Updates from Dr. Hollingsworth

District Improvement Plan/Campus Improvement Plan Formative Review Update

Comprehensive Needs Assessment Review

Development of 2024-2025 School Calendar

Adjournment