

Calendar Task Force Meeting Minutes
Southfield Building (Virtual)
4000 S IH 35 Frontage Road Austin, Texas 78704
December 3, 2020

Charge of the AISD Calendar Task Force: “The AISD Calendar Task Force is charged with developing and recommending an instructionally sound calendar or calendars for the school year or school years designated by the Superintendent that focus squarely on the district’s academic mission and Strategic Plan. The Task Force shall place the needs of all students first and foremost, but shall also consider the needs of parents, the community and district staff.”

The 2021-2023 Calendar Task Force Meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Dr. Gloria L. Williams.

Dr. Williams welcomed Calendar Task Force members and requested each member to enter their name in the chat folder for attendance purposes. Twenty-five(25) members were in attendance. Members were reminded that the committee was charged with recommending calendars for two consecutive school years, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.

The following documents and information were reviewed:

December 3, 2020 Meeting Agenda:

November 19, 2020 Calendar Task Force Meeting Minutes

Summary document of the 2021, 2022 Calendar Drafts

Draft Calendars for the 2021-2022

Dr. Williams led the discussion of the summary document. It was noted that Draft Calendar D had 188 contract days and 24 holidays. Once these changes were reviewed and corrected, Draft Calendar D was in compliance with calendar guidelines.

Further discussion noted that Draft Calendars A and D and Draft Calendars B and C had similar starting and ending days. Both Draft Calendars A and D had the first student day as Tuesday, August 17, 2021 and the last student day as Thursday, May 26, 2022. Draft calendars B and C showed Wednesday, August 18, 2021 as the first day of class and Friday, May 27, 2022 as the last student day.

An electronic poll vote was presented for each member to select two Draft Calendar models. The results of the vote indicated that Draft Calendars A and D carried the

majority votes and would be presented to the Superintendent and her Executive Leadership Team on Monday, December 7, 2020.

Dr. Williams-Hill, representative for the Office of Equity, recommended to reflect Columbus Day as Indigenous Peoples Day. Dr. Williams agreeded to present this recommendation to the Superintendent for further discussion and review.

Ms. Solis wanted to make sure that the Superintendent was knowledgeable about the effects the past District of Innovation Calendars have had on families with students enrolled in schools within different vertical teams. John Roacha, Baliey Middle School Prinicipal, noted that the Superintendent was aware and willing to address this issue for the up coming school year.

The next Calendar Task Force meeting will be scheduled after Winter break.

The Meeting was adjourned at 4:57p.m.

Minutes submitted by Gia Jones