

## District of Innovation Committee Meeting

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### FORT WORTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT February 16, 2017 Minutes

#### 1. 4:30 P.M. - CALL DISTRICT OF INNOVATION COMMITTEE MEETING TO ORDER - FWISD BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM

#### 2. DISCUSSION

##### A. Welcome

- Introductions
- Background of DOI to date

##### B. Overview of DOI Process

- DOI FAQ (handout)
- Will discuss the 2017-2018 school calendar and the start date
- Questions?
  1. Once approved, the district can change anything? e.g. minutes in a day. Or do you have to have reapproved. Yes, every change has to go through the same process (DOI Committee, majority vote of DAC, 2/3 vote of School Board).

##### C. Discussion of Draft DOI Plan

- Draft DOI Plan regarding calendar (handout)
- DERC gave input on the calendar (handout)
- Discussion of the DOI Plan; Concerns?
  1. Flexibility on the Saturday and/or Monday at the end of school? I will confirm with Karen Molinar and Cherie Washington that a teacher can work with their Principal.
  2. Can we end the school year on a Thursday and the Friday be the teacher's last day? Maybe the next year we can look at the minutes in a day and look at that.
  3. On page 2 of the Plan, Local Innovation Plan Guideline, do we reword? Did any parents have any concerns starting early? We did put out a survey to parents and teachers and we did receive input on this date. Yes, let's reword the paragraph; and it will be posted for 30 days for input.
  4. First day of instruction would not start prior to the first Monday before the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Maybe leave more general, especially with the use of minutes; will help in the future in amending, if needed.
  5. Do we review the start date/calendar every year? For the 2018-2019 school year, I will use the DAC, the DERC, etc. to receive input on the calendar and use this Committee to receive any input on flexibilities. Maybe add language to make that more clear? Yes.
  6. I will post the plan tomorrow and I will post a DAC Meeting on March 20, 2017 to hold a public hearing on the plan. I will have the DOI Plan as an Action Item at the March 21, 2017 Board Meeting.
  7. With concerns of a snow day on June 8, are end dates a concern? We can use minutes to help address that concern.

8. This year and next year there is one 6 weeks period that is technically 5 weeks with a progress report coming only a week apart; maybe keep the progress report at the third week. We can work with the technology department and look at submission dates, etc.

D. Finalize DOI Calendar Plan

E. Other Business

### **3. ADJOURN**

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