



Castleberry Independent School District

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CASTLEBERRY ISD DEIC

January 24, 2022

Minutes

DEIC Members Present: June Ritchlin, Gabby Varela, Donna Gray, Stephanie Jensen, Tracy Schauermann, Chip James, Chris Keefer, Paul Raska, Rachel Silva, Jessica Wade and David Smith

Discussion items:

1. School Calendars 2021-2022- Dr. Ritchlin

a. Review Draft Calendars

Dr. Ritchlin reviewed the draft calendars that were developed based on the strengths and concerns shared by each of the groups. Two groups had very similar feedback, so one calendar was created to represent the feedback for both groups. Three draft calendars were reviewed to ensure all committee member's feedback was included. Dr. Ritchlin pointed out the differences between each calendar:

Calendar A

- Requested the 1st semester end before Christmas Break- included
- Early Dismissal at the end of each grading period- 4 were included
- Wanted to keep all of the current holidays- included

Calendar B

- Requested additional training days for New Teacher- was not possible without extending instructional days beyond Labor Day
- Wanted to keep the current holidays- included
- Requested a 4 day weekend in October connected to Columbus Day- this caused the loss of a holiday later in the year
- Requested early dismissal each grading period- 4 were included

Calendar C

- Wanted to keep the current holidays
- Requested to start school in the middle of the week- included
- Requested early dismissal each grading period- 4 were included

b. Electronic Vote by DEIC- Dr. Ritchlin

Dr. Ritchlin explained that all three calendars would be sent to each member to carefully review. After reviewing each calendar, each member should use the voting buttons included in the email to identify their top two choices by 11:59 pm on January 25, 2022.

2. **NEXT MEETING** Dr. Ritchlin reminded everyone that the next meeting would be on Monday, February 28, 2022 from 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM.