

2023-2024 SDIRC INSTRUCTIONAL CALENDAR COMMITTEE




Monday, October 12, 2023


In-Person & Teams

Meeting started at 4:30pm

- In attendance in-person and on Teams
David Erickson, Germaine Johnson, Coletta Murray, Beth Crisafulli, JoAnne Holmes, Wendee Haddick, Beth Crisafulli, Dorian Moure, Tina Nolde, Elizabeth Pinkney, Amy Yeitter, Tina Nolde, Judith Whalen
- Introduction
 - Dr. Erickson welcomed group to the meeting via in-person and on TEAMS
- Review the Norms of the group
 - Norms
 - Be transparent
 - Be respectful and open-minded
 - Provide quality instructional time
 - Attendance focused
 - 1. Consider logistics (e.g., testing)
 - 2. Keep as many full weeks of instruction as possible
 - Data driven
 - 1. Surveys
 - 2. Community input
 - 3-in-1 rule
- Approval of previous meeting minutes
 - September 14, 2023
 - Motion: Germaine Johnson
 - Seconded by: Dorian Moure
 - Passes
 - Discussion:
 - New start times, talking with superintendent and school board members about getting with the state about when it will be or if it will be mandatory.
- Old Business
 - 2024-2025 Calendar
 - Discussion

- August 5th ½ day
- August 6th PL Day – moved to earlier in the week, August 5th or 6th
 - Flip District PL Day to Monday, August 5th and then put the ½ and ½ day on the 6th.
 - 6th is orientation day.
 - Imbed new curriculum for teachers during PL
 - PL day is using the classrooms at VBHS
- August 7th teacher planning, HS & MS orientation
- August 8th teacher planning, Elementary orientation
-
- Start time, change to Wednesday, August 14th instead of Monday, August 12
- Option days on Friday and Monday before the PL day and orientation
 - Crisafulli – advised that would take away 2 days of instruction for students.
 - G. Johnson – would like to get clarification for this to see if delaying start date would be an issue.
 - Erickson – Will ask the leadership if its possible to have a delay start.
 - G. Johnson – just curious and thinking maybe we can do that on the next calendar 25-26
- Murray - Conferences – October & February, conference night on a Tuesday, is difficult for teachers to have a long night.
 - Flip elementary with MS & HS days
 - Erickson – advised it was voted on last year.
 - Murray – Parents were confused that it was on Tuesday, as it has always been, and some parents took Thursday night off since that Friday is off for the students.
 - Beckham – advised we need to look at all and not what has always been done
 - Crisafulli – advised to switch the elementary and MS/HS each year so it is fair to all teachers

- 
- Pinkney – HS teachers aren't staying late, and how the nights are arranged. Don't see a problem with elementary teachers switching with
 - Crisafulli – in contract now, only 3 hours at night
 - Erickson – asked what do you want to see.
 - Everyone - HS, MS then Elementary, October & February for 2024-2025
 - G. Johnson – Asked about not seeing hurricane days on the calendar.
 - Erickson advised that ½ days will be changed to full days.
 - Pinkney liked the hurricane ½ days plan
 - Murray – why is Spring Break is so early, Would seem semester ending week before spring break. Get report cards before break
 - Makes for a very long April and May
 - Semester to end week of the 19th of March
 - Crisafulli – If off week the quarter ends, when would the grades go in
 - Erickson – can check about why it was scheduled for so early and find out
 - Dorian – advised it has been out for parent review and parents plan way ahead
 - Erickson – asked if only other changes, no others were brought forth.

- 
- New Business
 - 24-25 “Tentative Calendar” discussion/vote
 - No votes tonight, due to questions. Erickson will get those answers and voting needs to be focused on during the next meeting.
 - 25-26 calendar discussion
 - G. Johnson – August begins early, maybe pushing to mid-week
 - Erickson – Veterans Day is not a holiday, Tuesday in the middle of the week
 - Spring break that is early and a day off in April that isn’t tied to any holiday. Giving up with 3-day weekend, but combine that with spring break, get out first day in June.
 - Religious Holidays – Possibly take October 3rd off for Yom Compour in observance.
 - Veterans Day – Change November 7th to November 10th or 11th the students, Erickson- revisit veterans council asking about the students being off mid-week or have students in school
 - Conferences – Move back to elementary going Thursday, instead of Tuesday in October & February
 - Start Times – If changes, who ever is last out then the first in
 - Good Friday – if spring break were moved to a week later, that would cover the Good Friday off for Christians
 -
 - Next Meeting:
 - November 9, 2023, 4:30-5:30pm, LICR

Meeting Adjourned