

Midlothian ISD
District-Wide Educational Improvement Council

“Inspiring excellence today to change the world tomorrow”

Meeting Minutes - December 7, 2016

- ❖ Welcome and Introductions - Judy Walling
- ❖ Review & Approve 10/26/16 Meeting Minutes - Hollye Walker made motion to approve, Karena seconded the motion, all approved
- ❖ Waivers for 2017-2018 (HB 2610 75,600 minutes) - Judy Walling explained each of the waivers below. All were approved:
 - Early Release - 2017; MISD typically adopts each year without opposition
 - ◆ This waiver allows the districts and charter schools to conduct school for less than seven hours for a total of six days of student instruction a year.
 - Modified Schedule/State Assessment Testing Days - 2017; Allows MISD to modify schedule
 - ◆ This waiver allows the district or charter school to modify the schedule of classes for students who are not being tested to report to and attend school after the state assessment testing period has ended, therefore reducing the interruptions during testing period. Students who are not being tested must still meet the maximum 2-through-4 hour requirement for funding
 - Foreign Exchange Student - 2017; MISD has historically applied for students each year. 5 foreign exchange students per HS each year; no penalties if less than 5.
 - ◆ This waiver allows the district or charter schools to limit the number of foreign exchanges students to a number that is 5 per high school under Texas Education Code §25.001(e). A request to limit the number to less than five per high school must be submitted as a general waiver application.
 - Staff Development - General - 2017; self explanatory
 - ◆ This waiver allows the district and charter schools to train staff on various educational strategies designed to improve student performance in lieu of a maximum of **three** days
 - Staff Development - Subject Areas - expires 2016; Used this one year only but it is not available to us unless we apply.
 - ◆ This expedited waiver allows the district and charter schools to request up to **two** days to conduct additional staff training for reading/language arts, mathematics, science, or social studies training one day per subject in lieu of student instruction for **two days** (420 minutes per day).

- ❖ Dropout Prevention Review - End of Course Accelerated Instruction Results; Judy Walling directed the group to the handouts in the agenda packet (MISD Board templates) that were presented in the October 2016 Board Meeting by high school principals Al Hemmle (MHS) and Krista Tipton (MHHS). Dr. Woody highlighted the HS Bootcamp opportunities available to students.
 - Midlothian HS & Midlothian Heritage HS

- ❖ Strategic Plan Committee(s) Update - Judy Walling shared updates:
 - Subcommittees identified tied to goals and next action steps in Strategic Plan chaired by key stakeholders in each area:
 - Judy Walling, Curriculum**
 - Jim Norris, Finance
 - KayLynn Day, HR
 - Gregg Burcham, Technology
 - Ashley Stewart, Communications
 - Dr. Ledbetter, Bond Oversight

**Curriculum Council is charged with developing recommendations for Learner Profile, MISD Graduate Profile, format/structure of curriculum doc, staffing recommendations, grading practices (unified across the district), professional development across the district.

- ❖ Market Basket - Judy Walling shared the next steps now that the bond passed:
 - Strategic elements within the bond now being detailed and prioritized on a timeline - what, when, how. In November board meeting 1:1 devices and curriculum management system for aligned, viable curriculum approved. MISD is purchasing TRS - scope & sequence - the “what/when” of teaching not the “how” i.e. the artistry of teaching is alive and well in Midlothian ISD.
 - Market Basket presentations occurring now on each and every campus before the Christmas break. They are designed to highlight information on how the rollout of 1:1 devices and new curriculum tool will take place in 2017/2018. It is an opportunity for all teachers and administrators on campuses to provide feedback, ask questions, and be assured that they will be fully supported throughout the rollout process.

- ❖ LEAP - Judy Walling shared that LEAP is an alternative/non-traditional path for students to graduate from high school. We have the first 5 students that will graduate Monday, December 12, 2016.

- ❖ Agenda Items for January Meeting (please email if you would like to add anything to the agenda):
 - District Improvement Plan/Campus Improvement Plan
 - Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) - Hearing January 16, 2017

- ❖ Adjourn

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

- ❖ January 18, 2017
- ❖ March 1, 2017