

Midlothian ISD

DEIC Meeting Minutes

Meeting 2: December 4, 2017

5:00 PM / MISD Boardroom

- I. Welcome and Introductions - Judy Walling
- II. Approval of 10/5/17 Meeting Minutes - Lisa Knight made a motion to accept, Amanda Rodgers seconded; vote unanimous to accept
- III. Presentation by David Stubbs, Developer from VS Shift+ - Intro Judy Walling

District is working with Lone Star furnishing and their furniture line VS Shift+ which provides solutions for educational furniture needs. David has worked with public schools for 22 years and understands the pedagogy of space. Key points shared in presentation:

- Consider environment and culture when developing furniture solutions . . . focus on the “why”
 - Goal: Allow kids to feel comfortable in their own skin
 - If furniture isn't easy to move and use, then it is useless
 - Can we hang our hat on what we have today? We need to leverage, but also consider tomorrow
 - Change creates opportunity - a chance to simplify expectations, discover a new lens
 - Create a new common language
 - Professional development is paramount
 - Understand the rectangular dilemma
 - Support permissions proximity
 - 21st century learning environments need to be mobile
 - Experience the power of the floor
 - Empower choice
 - Diversity - familiar, agile, intuitive
 - Suggested Ted Talk Video: Sugata Mitra “Child Driven Education”
https://www.ted.com/talks/sugata_mitra_the_child_driven_education
- IV. District of Innovation Calendar Amendment* (see below) - discussion item
 - V. Questions and Answers/Topics for Upcoming Meetings - Judy Walling
 - Kim Bull: Elementary recess - ozone levels due to earlier start in August

- Carter McClung: would like the flexibility of DOI
- Kaylynn Day: Shared that these ideas are great to share with Calendar Committee

VI. Upcoming dates and topics

A. February 13, 2018 5:00 - 6:00 PM

B. April 10, 2018 5:00 - 6:00 PM

VII. Adjourn: 6:50 pm

*Calendar amendment:

Currently says:

Instruction for students will begin the third week of August.

Amend to:

Instruction for students may start prior to the fourth Monday in August.