

## Minutes of District Executive Improvement Committee (DEIC) Meeting

January 13, 2014

### Board Room of West Groves Education Center

- Meeting called to order at 3:35 p.m. by Committee President Jay Stone
- 2014-2015 Calendar (Created by DEIC Calendar Committee)
  - Mike Spencer will check to verify if any changes have been made to the Lamar 2015 spring break and the current spring break dates may change accordingly (via online vote)
  - Dr. Duhon presented the idea of an early release for the last day of the semester, January 16, 2015
    - Committee approved
  - Dr. Duhon requested permission from DEIC to submit a waiver for early release days to TEA.
    - Committee approved
    - Waiver will be submitted after the February board meeting once presented and approved
- Staff development options for 2014-2015
  - Voting for extending convocation speaker to full day was split
    - Matter was then discussed with campus principals, and they were in favor of full day
    - Will move forward with trying to acquire “Teach Like a Rock Star” for full day
  - Region 5 mini-conference in August
    - Discussion of pros and cons
    - Committee vote: 8 FOR attending; 5 for NOT attending; and 5 for “either way”
- 2014 August workdays
  - General consensus is to plan for 2.5 workdays each week to allow time for preparing for Meet the Teacher night, but allowing flexibility at the campus level to plan which days to have them to meet campus needs.
- 2014 Meet the Teacher
  - Time and dates of *Meet the Teacher* nights in the past were discussed (and the rationale behind it)
  - In 2014-2015, the K-3 and 4-5 campuses will rotate Monday and Tuesday of *Meet the Teacher* night so that the first *Meet the Teacher* night of the week does not fall on the same elementary campuses each year.
  - Jamie Evans from Groves Middle School said that their time was at 4:30 this year, and they liked not having to leave and come back later in the evening. This idea will be discussed with principals.
- Meeting was adjourned at 4:07pm by Committee President Jay Stone