

Red Oak ISD District Advisory Committee Meeting

February 9, 2023

4:30 pm via Zoom

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 by Shondra Jones, with 26 members and guests present on the Zoom link. This is the one annual public meeting as required per Education Code 11.252(e). After a quick welcome, the agenda began with updates from the Superintendent.

Superintendent Sanford discussed the special called School Board tonight at 7:00pm, to gather community input on whether or not to call a bond for the upcoming May election. Mrs. Sanford also briefly discussed that Red Oak ISD is not considering a 4-day calendar for next school year, but a similar hybrid-type of calendar is being proposed. Staff and parental input is being considered via a comment link sent out by Communications.

Michelle Ailara, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, gave a brief update regarding teacher contract days as they relate to TEA minimum requirements and District of Innovations options. As it stands right now, TEA requires a minimum of 187 teacher contract days. The proposed calendar for Red Oak ISD has 185 days. Because we are a District of Innovation (DOI), the TEA rules do not impact the proposed days. If TEA changes rules for DOI, the district would come back to the DAC committee to present the changes, and get a recommendation to take the School Board for approval.

Melissa Sulak, Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction, provided an update on the TAPR report, presented to the School Board at the January 2023 meeting. She gave a brief overview of the information found in the report, and gave the committee information on how to access the report on the TEA website and the district website.

Beth Trimble, Executive Director of Communications, updated the committee on not having to make up the ice days from last week, and that a waiver for staff will be presented to the School Board for staff. She stated that if other weather days occur, the district would have to consider a change to the calendar to potentially make up days.

Shondra Jones, Director of School and Family Services, updated the committee on the upcoming mobile food pantry on February 16, 2023.

The final meeting date for the 2022-2023 school year is scheduled for May 4, 2023. After no further discussion or questions, the meeting adjourned at 4:47 pm.