BOARD OF EDUCATION BEEVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Date: December 20, 2005

Subject: 2006-2007 Calendar Public Hearing TEA Waiver

Submitted By: Mrs. Jones

PUBLIC HEARING

INFORMATION: The Beeville ISD is proposing to apply for a First Day of Instruction Waiver for the 2006-2007 academic calendar. The waiver is required for an academic calendar that begins instruction prior to the week in which August 21 falls.

Calendar Information:

Characteristics of the Proposed 2006-2007 Academic Calendar and the Alternate 2006-2007 Academic Calendar:

Proposed Academic Calendar:

- Requires a TEA waiver
- Students start school on Thursday, August 10
- Two staff development days before school starts (August 7 and 8). Three staff development days in January (January 3, 4, 5)
- Vertical Team and Parent Conferences on September 18 and March 2
- Workdays on August 9, January 2 and May 30
- 5 days off for Thanksgiving; 11 days off for Christmas
- Spring break is the week of March 12
- Easter break is April 6 and 9 (Friday and Monday)

Alternate Academic Calendar:

- No TEA waiver required
- Students start school on Thursday, August 24
- Four staff development days before school starts (August 17, 18, 21, 22)); January 5 is also a staff development day
- Vertical Team and Parent Conferences on October 9 and March 2
- Workdays on August 23, January 4 and June 1
- 3 days off for Thanksgiving; 8 days off for Christmas
- Spring break is the week of March 12
- Easter break is April 6 (Friday)

Calendar Development:

The District's 2006-2007 Calendar committee consisted of twelve district employees one representative from each of the campuses, one representative from special education, one from athletics and two from the central office.

Nancy Jones and Cindy Clendennen were the representatives for central office and the co-chairpersons.

The committee met on October 24, November 2 and November 16.

During the meetings the committee developed several calendars. The decisions related to the development of the three calendar choices were based on discussion among the committee members, information from formal and informal surveys of staff members, and information gathered through discussion on the campuses. The final decision was to offer 3 calendars and have closed voting sessions.

Calendar Selection:

From November 28 through December 8, each district employee was given the opportunity to vote on one of the final 3 calendars. Principals and administrators were to hold the votes in closed sessions or by having a sign in sheet for people to vote by personal appearance. This was to ensure that each person could only vote one time. Votes were tallied by the principals or administrators and were sent to Nancy Jones.

After November 18, an article was placed in the local newspaper inviting anyone who wants input in the section of the 2006-2007 school calendar to come to the central office or a campus to vote by December 16.

When the BISD staff voted, the totals were as follows: 295 for Calendar C (proposed calendar), 103 for Calendar B (alternate calendar), and 106 for Calendar A. The total number of staff votes was 504.

The totals for the public voting will be available at the board meeting on December 20, 2005.

The proposed and alternate calendars are attached.

2006-2007 Academic Calendar

Public Hearing

December 20, 2005; 5:00 p.m.

The district plans to apply for a First Day of Instruction Waiver in order to begin instruction prior to the week in which August 21st falls.

The proposal 2006-2007 Beeville ISD academic calendar requires a first day of instruction waiver from TEA because class is scheduled to start before the week in which August 21st falls (August 10, 2005)

- Students begin school on Thursday, August 10, 2006
- Students have 5 student holidays (Monday-Friday) during the week of Thanksgiving.

The alternate academic calendar does not require a first day of instruction waiver from TEA because school is scheduled to start before the week in which August 21st falls (August 24, 2006)

- Students begin school on Thursday, August 24, 2006
- Students have 3 student holidays (Wednesday-Friday) during the week of Thanksgiving.

Check the statement below that best expresses your opinion regarding the Beeville ISD

2006-2007 academic calendar:

I support an application to the state for a first day of instruction waiver so that the students will begin school on Thursday, August 10, 2006 (Proposed Calendar)

I do not support an application to the state for a first day of instruction waiver. I prefer students to begin school on Thursday, August 24, 2006 (Alternate Calendar)

I do not have an opinion regarding the application to the state for a first day of instruction waiver

Proposed Requires TEA Waiver

Beeville ISD CALENDAR FOR 2006-2007

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Holidays Teacher Workdays/Staff Development

Dist. Level Staff Dev: _____ Staff Dev/Teacher Workdays: _____ First Day of School: _____ Holiday: Labor Day, <u>September 4, 2006</u> Staff Dev./Student Holiday: _____

Holiday: Thanksgiving, Nov. 23, 2006

End of First Semester:

Winter Break: Christmas, December 25, 2006

 Start of Second Semester:

 Staff Dev. Day/Student Holiday - MLK:

 January 15, 2007

 Staff Dev. Day/Student Holiday - Stock Show

 Day: February 2

 Spring Break:

 Holiday:

 Easter, April 8, 2007

 Bad Weather Day:

 Bad Weather Day:

 Graduation:

 Teacher Workday:

Staff Holiday:

FIRST SEMESTER GRADING PERIODS [August <u>10</u> thru September <u>22</u> = <u>30</u> days] [September <u>25</u> thru Oct. <u>27</u> = <u>25</u> days] [Oct. <u>30</u> thru December <u>15</u> =<u>30</u> days] TOTAL DAYS 1ST SEMESTER = <u>85</u>

SECOND SEMESTER GRADING PERIODS [January <u>8</u> thru February <u>16</u> = <u>28</u> days] [February <u>19</u> thru April <u>13</u> = <u>32</u> days] [April <u>16</u> thru May <u>29</u> = <u>32</u> days] TOTAL DAYS 2ND SEMESTER =<u>92</u>

TOTAL DAYS OF INSTRUCTION = <u>177</u> 1:00 Early Release -_____

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Bad Weather Days-Used as instructional days if days are missed because of bad weather or an emergency. The first day to be used, <u>XXXXXX</u>, and the second <u>XXXXXXX</u>. If no instructional days are used, the bad weather days will be student/teacher holidays.

Alternate No Waiver required

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