Teacher Advisory Committee 12.12.17 -- 3:30 p.m.

Present:

Cartner, Larry Lassiter, Steve Sanders, Joanne Adams, Tiffany

Benton, Rachel Boone-Thompson, Elsie Comstock, Ed Davis, Linda Fulford, Monica Jones, Jasmine (sub for

Jessica Harrell)
Hughes, Sheila
Lilley, Linda
Nixon, Chad

Riddick, Bethany Rountree, Eugene Santana, Myraida

Dr. Cartner welcomed everyone to the meeting. Time was provided for members to review responses to questions submitted prior to the meeting. Teacher absence data was shared in response to a question submitted. Dr. Cartner commented that attendance has improved over last year.

Dr. Cartner informed members that 2018-19 draft calendar information will be shared at the January meeting. Due to the scheduling of Convocation for 8.24.18 he has had to reconsider the draft he had prepared earlier and planned on presenting today. He discussed criteria he considers in preparing draft calendars and asked for feedback from TAC members regarding scheduling a workday in September versus scheduling an early release day. He also asked for feedback on the community perspective of graduation programs and if there would be negative feedback if they were not scheduled for a Friday night/Saturday morning.

A member responded that a September workday allows teachers the opportunity to "take a breath" but is not imperative from her standpoint. She commented that she feels early release days are not as productive as workdays.

A member responded that for the past 8+ years graduation at NHS has been scheduled for Saturday mornings but he was not sure how locked in to that day the community was.

There were no other comments provided.

Dr. Cartner asked for additional thoughts on the calendar and questions.

One member indicated her "wish" for the calendar was always to have a teacher workday following Christmas break prior to the return of students. Dr. Cartner responded that due to calendar guidelines and the way the days fall that is not always feasible, but is a good idea when we can make it work.

A question was asked about scheduling early release days for parent conferences in 2018-19 and Dr. Cartner indicated the drafts do not include early release days for parent conference in 2018-19.

Dr. Cartner wished everyone a wonderful holiday season and encouraged them to enjoy time with family and friends.

The meeting adjourned 3:48 p.m.