

TRUSTEE LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORT

Trustee Higginson	October 2020
Committee Name: Calendar Committee	

Committee Update:

The committee met on September 28 to settle issues on bell schedules for next school year.

The committee reconvened on October 19 to discuss placement of pro-days. The committee was unable to collectively agree on the best placement for the pro-d days. Through the ensuing conversation, the discussion was broadened to whether pro-d "days" as they are currently structured are the best way to support innovations and improvements in teaching and learning. According to the most up to date research on teacher pro-d, individual days scattered throughout the year with little to no connection between them are not best practice. The committee has decided to pursue this conversation further to ensure our current pro-d is in line with best practices. This is a very complicated conversation to embark on but all parties agree to at least start the conversation and see where it might lead.

As a result, the calendar recommendations will not be ready for the November meetings.

Possible areas of support from the Board for future planning/budgeting

• Allow the committee some extra time to pursue this conversation further.

Items for Follow Up

N/A