To: Board of Education
From: Kristi Nelson Foy, Keith Brightman
Re: **November 22, 2011 Agenda Item No. 4A – 2012-13 School Calendar**

Executive Summary

Presentation: Ten minutes have been allocated for this discussion item.

Background/Context: The District's Calendar Committee (comprised of administrators and teachers from the elementary, middle, and high school levels) has met for several hours over the past few months to discuss possible parameters for a 2012-13 school calendar. The Committee's recommendation is outlined below. Please note that, per state law, schools are still required to have 180 student contact days and also meet certain hours of instruction requirements based on grade level (i.e., grades K – 6 must have 1050 instructional hours in a year and grades 7-12 must have 1137 instructional hours per year).

2012-13 School Calendar:

- First day of school is Tuesday, September 4, 2012
- The District anticipates that teachers' convention will not resume in 2012, but recommends a day off on Friday, October 26, 2012 to break up the quarter
- First quarter would end approximately November 6, 2012
- Thanksgiving break would be Wednesday, November 21 through Friday, November 23, 2012
- Holiday break would be Monday, December 24, 2012, through Wednesday, January 2, 2013, with classes resuming on Thursday, January 3, 2013
- Second quarter would end approximately January 23, 2013
- No school for students on January 24 and 25, 2013, but these would be work/professional development days for staff members
- Third quarter would end approximately March 28, 2013
- Spring break would be Friday, March 29, 2013 through Friday, April 5, 2013
- Memorial day is Monday, May 27, 2013
- Last day of school is June 11, 2013
- In this scenario, there are 45 days in the first and second quarters of the year, 44 days in the third quarter, and 46 days in the second quarter, for 180 total instructional days
- This schedule also includes early release Thursdays (same as this school year) for professional development and staff meeting time

Alternatives/Recommendations: The possibility of adding instructional minutes to each day has been raised in a variety of forums, and the Board should consider this possibility, recognizing that there would be an additional cost associated with changing busing times or adding routes to accommodate this change. Additional considerations at this point also include the scheduling of parent-teacher conferences, scheduling high school exams and possible resulting half-days at the middle and elementary levels, and adding professional development days for teachers to the beginning or the end of the school year.

Budget: None.

Attachments: 2012 and 2013 calendars

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Calendar for year 2012 (United States)

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