ELMBROOK SCHOOLS
School District of Elmbrook

To: Board of Education

From: Kristi Nelson Foy, Keith Brightman

Re: **January 24, 2012 Agenda Item No. 3B – 2012-13 School Calendar**

Executive Summary

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

Background/Context: In response to feedback from Board members, and after receiving additional input from administrators, the District is proposing the following changes to the 2012-13 school calendar (changes are noted in italics):

2012-13 School Calendar:

- *Teacher work days/orientation TBD the week of August 27th*
- First day of school is Tuesday, September 4, 2012
- *Half day for all grades October 25, 2012, for afternoon conferences, with another evening of conferences scheduled that same week*
- 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 November 6, 2012
- Thanksgiving break would be Wednesday, November 21 through Friday, November 23, 2012
- Holiday break would be Monday, December 24, 2012, through Tuesday, January 1, 2013, with classes resuming on Wednesday, January 2, 2013
- Second quarter would end January 22, 2013
- *Half day for all grades on January 23, 2013 (afternoon teacher work day)*
- *Half day for all grades on February 21, 2013, for afternoon conferences, with another evening of conferences scheduled that same week*
- No school on February 22, 2013, to break up the third quarter
- Third quarter would end 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 Friday, June 7, 2013
- High school graduation would be Sunday, June 9, 2013
- *Teacher work days on June 10 and 11, 2013*

Under this proposed calendar, there are 45 days in the first and second quarters of the year, 46 days in the third quarter, and 44 days in the fourth quarter, for 180 total instructional days. This calendar also meets DPI's hours of instruction requirement for all levels (i.e., 1050 hours for grades K-6 and 1137 hours for grades 6-12), even assuming that the high schools implement an enhancement period next year. Finally, this schedule includes early release Thursdays (same as this school year) for professional development and staff meeting time. The District has historically extended some Thursdays for teachers for additional staff development time and will do so again in 2012-13.

In addition to scheduling teacher work days/staff development/orientation in late August, the buildings will need to decide upon dates for evening conferences in October and February, and the high schools will also need to decide upon dates for evening conferences in December and April.

Alternatives/Recommendations: None.

Budget: None.

Recommended Board Motion - That the Board of Education approves the 2012-13 school calendar described above.

Attachments: None.

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