MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Regents
From: Board Office
Subject: Approval of School and Holiday Calendars for the Iowa School for the Deaf
Date: March 3, 2003

Recommended Action:

Approve the School and Holiday Calendars for the Iowa School for the Deaf for 2003-04.

Executive Summary:

Standard 180-day calendar

• The Iowa School for Deaf is proposing to return to a 180-day school year for the 2003-04 academic year.

• In 2002 based on new state legislation allowing for a shortened school year, ISD proposed and the Board approved a school year of 175 days for the current year.

• In order to have the same number of instructional hours in the school year, 30 school days between September 9 and November 11, 2002, were increased by one hour.

• The school found that the longer day tired the students, and the faculty did less after school planning for the next day’s lessons. After consultation on the campus, it was concluded it was best for the school to return to the 180-day calendar.

• The proposed calendar (Attachment A) includes 180 instructional days for students as mandated by state law. Faculty members are engaged for an additional nine days distributed at various points throughout the year.
Proposed holiday calendar

- The holiday calendar, Attachment B, is consistent with the policy of the Board of Regents, state law and applicable collective bargaining agreements.

Policy Manual requirement

- In accordance with the Board of Regents Policy Manual §6.12, the Board is asked to approve the school calendar for the Iowa School for the Deaf.

Marcia R. Brunson

Approved: Gregory S. Nichols
2003-2004 School Calendar

August 2003

August 14 & 15 .......... All Staff In-Service
August 17 ............... Students Return
August 18 ............... First Day of Classes
August 29 ............... Students Leave
September 1 ............. Labor Day
September 2 ............. Students Return
September 29 .......... Faculty In-Service
September 29 .......... Students Return
October 25 .............. Homecoming
October 31 .............. Faculty In-Service
November 2 .............. Students Return
November 14 ........... End of First Trimester
November 21 .......... Parent/Teacher Conference
November 21 .......... Students Leave
November 24-26 ........ Thanksgiving Holiday
November 27 ........... Thanksgiving Day
November 28 .......... Staff Holiday
November 30 .......... Students Return
December 19 .......... Students Leave
December 22-31 .......... Winter Holiday
December 25 .......... Christmas Holiday
December 26 .......... Winter Holiday
January 1 ............... New Year’s Day
January 2 ............... Winter Holiday
January 4 ............... Students Return
January 29 .............. Students Leave
January 30 .......... Faculty In-Service
February 1 .......... Students Return
February 26 .......... End of Second Trimester
February 26 .......... Students Leave
February 27 .......... Faculty In-Service
February 29 .......... Students Return
March 5 .......... Parent/Teacher Conference
March 6 .......... Students Leave
March 29 & 30 .......... Faculty In-Service
March 30 .......... Students Return
April 9 .......... Students Leave
April 12 .......... Faculty In-Service
April 12 .......... Students Return
May 7 .......... Students Leave
May 10 .......... Students Return
May 21 .......... Senior Honors Program
May 21 .......... Athletic Awards Program
May 22 .......... Commencement
May 28 .......... End of Third Trimester
May 28 .......... All-School Graduation Ceremony
May 28 .......... Last Day of School
May 28 .......... Students Leave
May 31 .......... Memorial Day
June 1 .......... Faculty In-Service

April 2004

March 2004

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July 2004

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