

Academic Affairs
Administration Building Board Room
Minutes
Wednesday, February 3, 2016
5:15 p.m.

In attendance: Gloria Bowman, Aaron Sebelin, Laurel Zimmerman, Sean LeDonne, Suzanne Howland, Timothy Tkach, Mary Barilla, Jessica Grasso, Andrea Boyer, Jeni Evans, Jan Wentz

- I.) Common Grade Scale for 2016-2017 School Year
 - a.) Sticking to High School Range or all 3 levels for the 2016-2017 School Year

- II.) Principals List/High Honors
 - a.) Middle School/High School will use same criteria

- III.) Elementary Math Presentation
 - a.) Jessica Grasso & Mary Barilla
 - 4 centers:
 - Math Facts
 - At Seat
 - Teachers Choice
 - Hands On
 - Groups organized according to STAR Data and Teacher observation
 - 4 groups of 5
 - Groups are flexible and may change throughout the year (some may struggle and some may advance)
 - Interactive video is used to understand lesson
 - 15 minutes per station
 - Various items are used at each center:
 - iPads, flashcards, dry erase boards, playing cards, bingo, word problems, computer websites and dice
 - Daily review of Common Core
 - Math Journals
 - Practice skills with small group instruction
 - Use of manipulatives that go with the math series
 - Closure and quick checks are also used
 - b.) Laurel Zimmerman
 - Modified Math Routine
 - Common Core Review
 - Lesson video
 - Students pick and choose a few guided practice problems
 - A quick check is done

- Centers are used for math games with 4 different levels using skills and strategies
 - Use of a classroom “DOJO” web based site
 - Used for classroom behavior
 - Communication with parents
 - Can be used to communicate with a group of parents or individually
 - Parental response has been very high
 - Parents have a password and can only see their child’s information
- IV.) 5th Grade Journey’s training
- a.) Set for February 23, 2016, 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Administration Building
- V.) Educator Effectiveness/Supervision Plan
- a.) Teacher, Principal Evaluation Survey- deadlines February 12, 2016
- b.) Given options: Formal, Portfolio, Action Research
- VI.) PSSA & Keystones
- a.) PSSA ELA: April 11-15, 2016
 MATH: April 18-22, 2016
 SCIENCE: April 25-29, 2016
- b.) Keystones: May 16-27, 2016, Algebra I, Biology, Literature
- c.) Any snow days will be added to the end of the year
- VII.) PVAAS Roster Verification Process Dates
- a.) LEA Review: May 2-13, 2016
- b.) Teacher Verification Phase: May 14-27, 2016
- c.) School Admin Verification Phase: May 28, - June 10, 2016
- d.) LEA Verification Phase: June 11-24, 2016
- VIII.) Central Columbia’s Sub Shortage Plan
- a.) Hiring a part time sub to work a “Monday, Wednesday, Friday”
- b.) Could have more than one sub working alternate schedules
- c.) Have that sub stay in the Auditorium
- Lessons plans emailed to that sub
 - Several classes may stay in auditorium
 - Assignments due to sub at the end of class
- IX.) Good of the Order
- a.) ESSA Handout
- Replaces the “No Child Left Behind” law

Next Academic Affairs Meeting: Wednesday April 6, 2016, at 5:15 p.m.

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