

**Academic Affairs
Minutes
Administration Building
Wednesday, October 4, 2017
4:15 p.m.**

In attendance: Mrs. Bowman, Mark McGalla, Aaron Sebelin, Tim Tkach, David Hauser

- I.) STEAM Immersion Plan Update
 - a.) Handout from Mrs. Volcskai

- II.) District D & A Educational Programs
 - a.) Elementary K-2 "Babes" CMP Staff
 - b.) Elementary 3-5 "Too Good for Drugs" CMP Staff
 - c.) Middle School 6-8 "LST-Life Skills Training" Middle School PE Staff
 - d.) High School "Drug Symposium" –Dave Hauser Presentation
 - Lehighton to Spearhead-possibly held in December
 - Tie in with surrounding districts
 - Break out style; meeting in several different rooms
 - 20 minutes of a speaker, 10 minutes Q & A
 - Keep students with their peers
 - Certified Speakers include professionals in the field, local Law enforcement, personal accounts
 - Include faculty, SADD Avietum
 - Topics: drugs, alcohol, opioid abuse and mental awareness
 - Letter to be sent home to students – in case parent does not want student to participate
 - Handout

- III.) High School Curriculum Changes for 2018-2019
 - a.) Looking at Career Pathways Model
 - b.) English 5 credits to 4 credits
 - Staff is aware
 - c.) Increase writing across all curriculum
 - d.) Social Studies- still 4 credits- last required credit being an elective from SS curriculum
 - e.) Grades 9 & 10 would be fundamental years- regular courses
 - f.) Grades 11 & 12 – suggested career pathway; tying into the student's career choice

- IV.) Scheduling Update
 - a.) Dr. Rettig will be in the district for Act 80 day on Monday
 - b.) Dr. Rettig will be in the district for May 1st & May 2nd.
 - Finalizing Elementary and Middle School Schedules
 - c.) Looking to move High School Schedule changes to the 2019-2020 school year

- V.) Good of the Order

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, December 6, 2017, 4:15 p.m. at the Administration Building