

Academic Affairs Minutes
Wednesday, August 7, 2019
5:45 p.m.

In attendance: Jonathan Cleaver, Tim Tkach, Sue Howland, Rita Spinelli

- I.) STEAM Immersion Plan Update
 - a.) Mrs. Volcskai Handout
 - Project Lead the Way Rollout- MS
 - September of 2018 a new encore class for all students in grades 6-8
 - Students participated in the course Design and Modeling
 - Students practiced in small teams using STEAM disciplines
 - This was year 1 of a three-year rollout
 - b.) PaSmart Targeted Grant
 - At the MS and the HS
 - Courses for computer science to students
 - 3 HS teachers are being trained and 1 middle school teacher on the needed skills
 - HS course is titled Computer Science Essentials and will be a required course for all 9th grade students
 - The course will be an introduction to computer science and will give a taste of what computer science entails and careers offered in that area
 - c.) STEAM 2019-2020
 - Elementary
 - Teachers will be asked to complete an hour of STEAM integration each week
 - They may choose to integrate into their ELA curriculum, add coding/programming or choose to complete a STEAM design challenge
 - The goal is to get students excited about STEAM and understand how the individual disciplines also rely heavily one another
 - d.) MS STEAM
 - The Encore STEAM class will be different this year for 7th and 8th grade
 - Mr. Knappenberger will be teaching a Project Lead the Way module called Green Architecture
 - e.) HS STEAM
 - HS will be rolling out the Computer Science Essential course for all 9th grade students
- II.) After School Program
 - a.) Grades 3-5 for the 2019-2020 school year
 - b.) No transportation
 - c.) Funded by Title I
 - d.) Starting on October 7, 2019 through November 26, 2019, 3:15 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

- e.) Followed by March 2, 2019 through April 3, 2019
 - f.) Targeting the PSSA content areas of ELA and Math
- III.) District D & A Educational Programs
- a.) Elementary K-2 “Babes” CMP Staff
 - b.) Elementary 3-5 “Too Good for Drugs” CMP Staff
 - c.) MS 6-8 “LST- Life Skills Training” MS PE Staff
 - d.) High School- TBD (Will be addressed by Mrs. Howland & Mr. Brown)
- IV.) Title I Parent Advisory Council Mtg
- a.) Tuesday, July 30, 2019- reviewed School Wide Plan for the 2019-2020 school year
 - b.) School Wide Plan – Handout
 - c.) 1% of Title funds are allotted for parent engagement programs
- V.) High School Scheduling
- a.) Update of the scheduling
 - b.) Social Workers support programs will be discussed in the October meeting
- VI.) Good of the Order
- a.) Pre K Counts update- at 38 students for the program
 - 20 in the am
 - 18 in the pm
 - b.) Title I Fall Parent night
 - Date to be determined

Next Meeting Date: October 2, 2019, 5:45 p.m. in the Administration Building