

LEHIGHTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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"Partnering with students, families, and community to provide opportunities for life-long success through academic excellence and individual growth in a safe and supportive environment."

Elementary Center Transition Team Meeting Monday, October 9, 2017 – 3:00 p.m. Middle School

In Attendance: James Blakeslee, Jonathan Cleaver, Denise Gerber, Coleen Harleman, Mark McGalla, Wanda Rousenberger, Rhonda Rupell, Megan Scimeca, Jessica Scholl, Aaron Sebelin, Karen Shaffer, Kristin Simmons, Tiffany Strausberger, Timothy Tkach, Jan Wentz

Mr. Cleaver thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Reviewed the minutes from the meeting on August 22, 2017.

Elementary Center (EC) tour was on TV13. District will try to get link to put on website.

Mr. Blakeslee commented about the natural light at the new EC. No windows will open because of the new system. HVAC system at the EC will be recycling air and constantly filtered.

Weather permitting, the gym floor will be poured this week. Again, weather permitting, the bricklayers may be out by the end of this month.

Placement survey was reviewed by principals and committee. Survey will be sent out to all elementary staff. The survey will give options to current staff regarding preference of grade level. This does not guarantee placement. Mrs. Strausberger commented that staff would like to receive the survey. Administration will have the final say on placement. It may be based on Kindergarten enrollment.

Discussion on how the different grade levels will be taught. A lot of flexibility options within the schedule. There will be grade leaders with no overlap of Department Heads. Discussed all staff including paraprofessionals, office staff and nursing services. Need to determine how to use the staff best. Would like to set up grade level meetings with all elementary buildings. Will have a better idea with staff and student count.

Discussed technology at new building, i.e. computer stations, laptops, iPads, etc.

Mr. Cleaver has contacted Refreshing Mountain for team building. Will let the committee know further details.

"Educating together to prepare our students for life's journey."

"Commitment to Excellence"

Need to move forward with the committee break-outs: Transitioning Staff, Transitioning Students, Transitioning Parents, School Closing and School Opening.

Next meeting Monday, November 20, 2017, at 3:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.