

Academics Committee Meeting Minutes, 11/18/14

In attendance: Keller, Williams, Reichel, Heydt-Nelson, Pullar

Meeting's focus: Professional development for 12/1

- Ideas proposed:
 - CPR
 - SPED training (ADHD, emergencies, holds)
 - Relicensure PD
 - Reichel pointed out that 833 has an online program. Go at your own pace, covers all 6 relicensure areas, all for \$25.
 - Decided this would be an excellent option for those in need.
 - Was this needed?
 - Teachers work hard, day off isn't the worst thing.
 - Decided we needed real professional development, especially since all days were wiped out last year because of weather.
 - Data driven instruction, especially catered to each department
 - Cross-curricular time by grade level
 - Difficult for high school teachers, since classes are so mixed
 - Departments
 - Curriculum maps?
 - Aligning curriculum across grades

- Decided trying to do too much would be unwise

- Proposed topics:
 - Morning = CPR & mental health with Carrie Brookins
 - Lunch
 - Department time – focus on curriculum maps and/or cross curricular ideas

Next meeting: **Tuesday, 12/16**, 4ish pm, 101b.

- Agenda: course planning, department fund ideas for surplus, tech integration