



Moapa Valley High School Organizational Team



MOAPA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL SOT MEETING 5/5/2021 Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Hal Mortensen, Korey Johnson, Dallas Larsen, Kenna Higgins, Mark Cottle, Terry Holzer, Annalynn James, Marquessa Aikele (by proxy Annalyn James), Camille Christensen, Louise Culler, Duane McMinn, Lindsey Dalley

II. REVIEW/APPROVAL MINUTES

Kenna seeks clarification on minutes from last meeting. Discussion on what motion was made for SLA's regarding academic centers, or prison schools. (More specifics wanted) The district says it is more legislative decision and Lindsey is seeking a meeting with Horsford's office.

Kenna will amend the minutes from the previous meeting and will repost. Annalyn motions to amend the minutes. Dallas & Mark second that. Minutes were approved as amended, unanimously.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (3 min. ea.)

What is the status of the construction improvements on the tennis courts?

-MVHS is on track to be in the 2nd round (June-Aug)

Hal suggests we stay on top of this and ask the district continuously. Ongoing issue since 2008.

IV. GENERAL MATTERS (H. Mortensen)

a. Fall Registration

Seniors, Juniors and Sophomores are done. Incoming Freshman on hold. We have a great need for class size increase. CTE has issued class reduction to 24 per class, which leaves most elective CTE classes too full for incoming 9th graders.

We will have plenty of supplies for next year by using past unused funds that we had saved and pre-purchased. The money for funds this coming year will not need to be used so we can use those funds as prep buyouts for extra classes. Once that is ironed out, counselors will finish registering.

There is no Spanish at the MS this year so Spanish II should be much smaller than usual; something to consider.

Class of 2022 forward has new flex credit requirements, causing more congestion.

b. Brief Graduation Update (H. Mortensen, Annalyn James)

Update from CCSD - we can do graduation here but with restrictions.

Recommendation (from Hal and Community) to continue with the community sponsored ceremony. Staff and administration can now attend community ceremony.

Admin and staff will be out front to greet the kids as they go by in the parade.

Day after (May 27) - grads will drive up to receive their diploma and may get out of car and stand on stage if wanted.

Route for Graduation Procession* (no floats or trailers) will start on Lewis, across from Robbin's Nest and head through Overton, past the HS and end at the Logandale Sports Complex. Reserved parking up front for grads. Tune to FM radio for audio. Band will play upon arrival, and a few speakers; including a refugee from South Sudan to discuss his trials in his youth. It's going to be a great ceremony!
The community has requested help with the senior picture slide show to show as grads cross the stage. (help needed)

c. Projected Incoming Class Stats

District sending out another email to ask for Cohort C request. So far only six look to be going virtual. Deadline is May 26th. (?)

i. Freshman orientation issues - No Tour allowed, however, video created by Kyra Larsen touring the HS shown by counselors at an assembly, but stucco weren't allowed to attend.

ii. Anticipated Student head count

d. Staffing Status -

Teresa Kruse was surplused (This happened in the Fall, but it was bypassed because the bumping employee wished to remain in Las Vegas.) She is the OS II at the bottom of seniority, so she is being transferred to Basic HS. Can't bypass Cheyenne's surplused employee because that would be a pay decrease for OS II going to clerk.

The only other opening we have is a CSM. Teresa will have the opportunity to apply for the CSM job after May training.

Jill Laub has filled a half time position for choir and is leaving to teach at Hughes MS. Biggs will now teach band, orchestra and choir using a prep buy out. We have to have 243 enrolled in those classes in order to keep our band aid.

Discussion to alleviate pressure on teachers and class sizes. If we get a cut back in the summer, we may be in a worse situation with reduced teacher/staff numbers.

Worst case scenario, we will give freshman opens.

Kenna began discussion of buyers remorse from spending large funds which we could instead use for the teacher shortage.

Covid funds could help, especially since the shortage is caused by covid through our enrollment numbers dipping. They want to work up the line through Marilyn Kirkpatrick and Steven Horsford to secure covid funding to supplement our budget shortfalls.

Cottle- How can the school district require two more credits and not give the funding for staff to make it possible?

SOT will give the directions and Hal can submit the budget override form with justifications discussed (class size, students pulling out, etc). Dallas motioned, Mark seconded. All voted unanimously to approve budget override.

e. Other

Senior Award Night was approved. Hal can attend and run the awards. Plans in the works to stagger the night to social distance. (Stage may not be ready to hold event in the theater)

Summer School, camps, and etc will be held in June.

May 27th brand new carpet and tile throughout the school.

V. COVID UPDATE (H. Mortensen, Team)

- a. School Report
- b. Federal Emergency funds Status

VI. FURTHER PUBLIC COMMENT(3min ea.)

Lyndsey Dalley: Horsford's office wants to set up a time to meet again. Working to get schedules together.

Annalyn- Graduation dress rehearsal right after school on 25th for grads; it will be short. three tickets will be given to each grad. Blue- 1 Procession car, Yellow- 2 for cars of family/guests

Graduation is costing \$6700, with \$4500 in community donations, \$2700 still unfunded. Annalyn is turning in a grant for more help.

VII. ADJOURN

Following up via email.