



Moapa Valley High School SOT Meeting 5/3/23



Call to Order/ Roll Call

Marquessa Aikele, Hal Mortensen, Chad Leavitt, Kenna Higgins, Bryan Linford, Mark Cottle, Terry Holzer, Teresa Kruse, Lisa Wolfley, Savannah Aikele and Mandie Matheson.

Review & Approval of Minutes:

Mark motioned to approve, Bryan seconded. All in favor of approval.

Public Comment:

Stephen Neel- On April 28th faculty had Stop the Bleed training during their staff development day. It was decided that it does not make sense to keep a stop the bleed kit in the front office. We will get 5 stop the bleed kits, which is a big deal for a rural school to have that many. Stephen secured them through a grant because the district's plans to supply schools with them is not soon enough.

Graduation will be on Monday, May 22nd and Jesus Jara will be in attendance.

Security update: The fencing project out front is on hold until a change order can be completed to update from 6' fence to an 8' fence to match the existing fence. There are over 100 cameras installed. The most in any CCSD school. It is not a full remodel, so the lines aren't all fiber optic, some using 20 year old lines.

Kenna would like to be on the record that with a camera in the theater, she is not responsible for any "recording" that may happen with security cameras on during productions.

Remodeling of the soccer practice field, baseball and softball field will begin in the fall. They will all have synthetic turf installed.

The special ed teacher position is still flying. We have 2 candidates so far, one from the community that will need a few years to be fully licensed but could begin in the fall, and the other is licensed and ready to go.

Bryan: There will be no funding available for the diesel program until the 24/25 school year. They can still make the program work, it just won't be fully operational until the full funding is in place for all equipment.

Student Representative: Savvy Aikele

Nothing to report

Business Items:

Open Period Practice: (Hal)

After having our attendance audited by the state and approved, Hal has questioned the region office about our ability to have a block schedule or open periods. It has been 3 weeks and Hal has not had a response. The state was not even aware this issue was being questioned by the district.

SOT would like to submit a letter to the district (with cc to the State) requesting a return to the block schedule. Legally, they have 5 days to respond to us.

Bryan motioned to send the letter, Kenna seconded, all approved to submit the letter to the district requesting a return to the block schedule.

CCSD Reply to Budget Letter: (Mark/Hal)

The response was ridiculous. SOT was basically told that we were wrong and could use more training. We need to reply, reject their response and invite Jara to a meeting with SOT members at 5:30pm on the 22nd, prior to graduation. Marquessa asked Mark to draft a letter and Mandie to send it to the district.

We should NOT be losing one full teacher because our enrollment is going up by 10 students. The small school allocation should be fair and it is not currently set up to support small schools circumstances.

Mark motioned to reply to the CCSD district on behalf of SOT and request a meeting with SOT only members prior to graduation. Chad seconded the motion, all approved.

SOT Chair Resignation: (Marquessa/Chad)

Marquessa is moving and must respectfully resign. We can remain 1 position short and let the Vice Chair (Chad) run until elections or vote a new Chair in in the meantime. We will have only 2 more meetings.

Mark motions to have Chad take over the position of Chair and Mandie seconded. All approved.

Next Meeting - Possibly at 5:30 on May 22nd with Jara

Aug 16th will be next full SOT meeting

Adjourn -2:35 pm