



**Moapa Valley High
School Organizational Team**

**MOAPA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL SOT MEETING
Special Budget Meeting
9/1/2021 Minutes**

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

A Quorum was established.

Lindsey Dalley	Marquessa Aikele (Proxy for Chad Leavitt)	Louise Culler
Dallas Larsen	Terry Holzer	Hal Mortensen
Annalyn James	Mark Cottle	Kenna Higgins

II. REVIEW/APPROVAL MINUTES

Motion to approve Minutes: Mark Cottle
2nd: Kenna Higgins
Minutes approved - motion passed unanimously

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

- a. Annalynn James: Coordination with CEAB; looking forward to the “Hope Heals” Mental Health Fair on 9 September. 5:00-7:00 at the Fair Grounds. Speaker begins at 7:00 (Kevin Hines).
- b. Since January, we have had 19 suicide in our Valley (including 31 attempts - that makes 50 people directly affected by suicide - not including family, friends, etc.) - according to Metro. For our Valley, that makes 1 in 3 people affected by suicide.

IV. GENERAL MATTERS (H. Mortensen)

- a. Staffing Issues
 - i. Ron Lustig took a job in Las Vegas. His AP Position is flying this week (first week of September). Hal is asking for SOT to be prepared to interview next week (second week of September).
 - ii. Interviews will be for the top three applicants, those are then sent to the Region, who interviews and hires. There was a question about whether or not we get our first pick, and whether not getting our first pick follows the reorg law?
 - iii. Because of everything, losing Ron makes the Front Office especially busy. Brought in an Interim AP - Cindy Lanctot.
- b. COVID UPDATE (H. Mortensen, Team)
 - i. Mask Mandate
 - 1. In order to get the rural mask exemption our staff needs to be 50% vaccinated. We exceed that, but have not received the mask exemption.
 - 2. CEAB is working behind the scenes to get the rural exemption for masks.
 - ii. Quarantine

1. In a situation where we have a few positive tests, and so parents get inundated with information. It looks like we are having a lot of outbreaks of Covid, but that isn't necessarily the case. We are testing 200 kids per week, and statistics indicate that false positives combined with the interaction of our student body, we will have a large portion of our students quarantined.
 2. We need to be careful about looking at statistics without context.
 3. Varsity Football team had to be quarantined, which affected a large portion of the student body.
- iii. Mandatory Vaccine - CCSD special meeting
1. CCSD board meeting coming up to discuss a mandatory vaccine for CCSD staff. A mandatory vaccine would affect approximately one-third of our MVHS staff.
 2. Discussion about how it would impact students/teachers if the mandate passes.
 3. Motion Made: (Kenna Higgins) SOT instructs Lindsey Dalley to text Katie Williams about the negative impact a vaccine mandate would have on our rural school population if we "lose" (whether permanently or temporarily) one-third of our staff.
 4. Motion 2nd: Mark Cottle. Motion passed Unanimously.
- iv. Other
1. Lindsey Dalley and Jody Thornley followed up on the CAC - Focus on the Future for Kids. CCSD Report doesn't reflect the conclusions the CAC came to. It is clear that CCSD/Jara has their own agenda and isn't interested in actually listening to the schools or community.
 2. Jody asked everyone to look at the Combined Community Input Report at future.ccsd.net. Included is a survey. Jody also encouraged everyone to take the survey. Lindsey sent a link to everyone.
 3. The report will be presented to the CCSD Board on 9 September.
- c. Testing Results (H. Mortensen, Team)
- i. MVHS is doing better than last year at 98% graduation rate (that equals one student)
 - ii. General Discussion on AP, MAPS, CTE test. Hal updated SOT on these numbers.
 - iii. ACT scores are going down from past years. This is something staff is looking at.
 - iv. Wida and Science Scores are pending.
 - v. Hal will have a School Performance Plan update next month.
- d. Sex Ed Committee
- i. Ken Paul alerted parents and others to CCSD inserting sex ed information into certain curriculum items; an attempt to circumvent current Sex Ed standards by using the ADA Law. CCSD is using a backdoor.

- V. RURAL SCHOOL PILOT PROGRAM/HUB (H. Mortensen; Team)
- a. Purpose was to address some of the SLA, surplus, and transportation issues rural schools and administration have to deal with. An Administration Union Representative crafted an MOA which would address these things.
 - b. This did not go further.
- VI. FURTHER PUBLIC COMMENT(3min ea.)
- a. SOT Elections are coming up. Discussion about the importance of having committee members on SOT for more than one year in order to tackle long-term problems. A Parent Meeting is scheduled for Parent Elections. Faculty and staff elections are soon. The Union is in charge of that.
 - b. Annalynn James updated SOT on vaping detectors in the restrooms. Enough money has been raised to buy, but not install the vaping detectors. The priority includes 200, 300, 400, and 500 hall bathrooms. Other restrooms can come later as money is available.
 - c. Questions about enforcing the dress code and what disciplinary actions can help deter students (and parents) from coming to school not in dress code. Some discussion about uniforms. Hal indicated there is a years long process to get approval for uniforms.
- VII. ADJOURN