



MOAPA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL SOT MEETING

5/11/2022



I. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Kenna Higgins, Mark Cottle, Kenzie Hughes, Dallas Larson, Hal Mortensen, Brittney Lawrence, Marquessa Aikele, Terry Holzer, Chad Leavitt, Lisa Wolfley, Korey Johnson, Camille Christensen

II. **REVIEW/APPROVAL MINUTES**

Team has not seen them yet, they will be approved at the next meeting.

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

Kenna- Teachers are not happy at the rumors that the graphics art room will be removed to make room for an AP office/ Discipline office.

Hal- We are trying to eliminate the chaos of unruly students in the office, along with parents handling other business. Plans are being discussed to move the copiers to the Pirate's Den which would still be centrally located.

IV. **MVHS GENERAL MATTERS (HMortensen, Team)**

A. Landscaping update (HMortensen/Team)

Before Spring break- Hal, Mr. Frei and Mr. Paul met with Josh Chesnik. He is aware of the neglect to our grounds and our concerns at getting them back to where we want them. Landscaping will be provided by the district. We will receive a 4 man crew, composed of locals to maintain the grounds of all Moapa Valley and Virgin Valley schools (8 schools). There will be a supervisor that will oversee the work.

Per Ken Paul- we can use the AB469, which states they must provide the service or give us the money from the budget to seek out and find our own service.

B. Teacher Vacancies (HMortensen/Team)

1. Mr. Biggs is relocating to Indiana, which leaves a band vacancy as well as orchestra and choir.

Kenna- Can we fly the position as band and orchestra combined to find any instrument teacher? Rather than Band instructor, choir director and orchestra separate. I will talk to Biggs and see if he has connections in the music network.

Hal- I have put feelers out to BYU and BYUH as well as SUU & Dixie for new graduates interested in applying.

Tara- The middle school instructor is amazing. But it's better to leave him there. A great middle school band experience will make our High School program better in the long run.

2. Our new Business Elective class needs a teacher. There are a few options; Jeff Kline, from Alaska (had to postpone his interview today due to work).

Mandie Leavitt owns her own t-shirt design business, has no experience teaching, but could offer business experience.

Business teacher at Virgin Valley is interested but has things to work out first.

Terry- Why are we not flying the job to attract more potential professional business teachers?

Hal- We cannot find anyone willing to leave their business income to come teach at \$40,000 a year. He is calling any options he can think of. The responses to teaching income are not great.

The class will be Business level 1. Three periods a day of Business and 3 the next day of Marketing.

Marquessa- Is Scott Carson an option? He has business experience and has taught.

Kenna- concerned that the t-shirt business would overtake the business curriculum.

3. The Resource Aid position has been available for months and Hal finally got Irene Hauver to accept the 6.1 hours a day position.

4. Custodian position- we are at square one after our only lead did not pass the background check.

5. We need a 5th individual for the Moapa/ Virgin grounds crew.

6. Band Aid opening since Sylvia left to drive a bus for more money per hour.

C. State Department Ed CCSD Review (HMortensen/LDalley/Team)

Update on the State Dept Ed 5 year review of the district reorganization plan, with subcommittee as a parent. The Department of Ed is actively using the word "Receivership" which still needs to be voted on and implemented. From Terry's perspective, Receivership includes several positive things:

- A forensic accountant will be going through records in a way a regular accountant could not. This is very good!
- It holds CCSD accountable for their action or inaction regarding the law.
- It does not mean that jobs, benefits, or salaries will go away.

Teachers shouldn't be too concerned with a breakdown into smaller districts. Benefits and pay should stay the same.

Mark- Will teacher salaries vary between districts?

Kenna/Chad/Terry- Short answer, yes. Because our current contract is only with CCSD.

Team also discussed the update on Lyon MS SOT; Mediation will be June 9th to discuss the mitigation plan for retaliation against Ken Paul, a member of the Middle School SOT.

D. Graduation Update (HMortensen)

Graduation is Thursday, May 26th at 7pm in the New Gym. Complaints for moving to the gym, but also complaints for the football field. This way we have no wind and no heat. Hoping the sound will be improved from past years. Keeping it short and sweet.

The community has a grad procession from Lin's at 5:30, with a 5pm lineup, ending at the High School.

V. STUDENT REP UPDATE (KHughes)

Congrats to Landon Kelly, 22/23 Student Body President.

Prom was a success and everyone was happy.

No major concerns from students, over the shooting scare. More parent concerns, than student concerns. The students overall felt safe during the soft lockdown.

VI. FURTHER PUBLIC COMMENT

Marquessa- I am hearing parents with big concerns over the dress code violations getting worse and nothing is being done. Could a letter be sent to parents prior to the school year starting to be mindful of dress code when school clothes shopping? Let them know we are enforcing a strict dress code this year and we will call parents to bring students clothes to change.

VII. ADJOURN 2:55 pm