

School Organizational Team Minutes MVHS Hangouts Meet 4/15/20 – 1:10 pm



SOT members in attendance: Marquessa Aikele, Louise Culler, Lindsey Dalley, Kimberly Hardy, Terry Holzer, Aimee Houghtalen, Chad Leavitt (via phone), Hal Mortensen, Geniel Ozaki, Gary Watkins, Aubrey Aikele

Visitors: Chris Edwards (via phone), Greg Hafen, Dr. Ronald Lustig, Duane McMinn, Jeffrey Proffitt, Vernon Robison

- I. Call to Order by Chairman- Terry
- II. Reading and Approval of Minutes- Noted 2 corrections (V. A & VII. A) Motion made by Kim, 2nd by Marquessa

III. Public Comment (3 minutes)-

Greg Hafen (NV State Assemblyman) - He said he was thankful to be here and take part in this meeting. He stated he is here for us and wants to learn. He offered his phone number (775-209-3006) to call if we need help with anything.

IV. School safety update-

A.Terry would like to hold an assembly (after the crowd restrictions are lifted) to introduce "Fight Back Nation". Lindsey said the initial assembly was helpful for him and might bring some clarity to others. There will be no monetary support so we may have to pay out of pocket. SOT will make the request to proceed when the time comes.

V. Principal Report-

- A. Budget Update- There is no budget update now, possibly June.
- B. Per Pupil Funding- Lindsey Dalley, Hal Mortensen, Ken Paul, and Maury Perkins attended the last Commission meeting. Still working toward getting recognized as needing fair funding. Punam Mather, Commission on School Funding member asked for specifics, such as, Title I and FRL- Hal sent a document to her with school data.
- C. Hal reported that Dr Gullett, Deputy Superintendent will be replaced.

VI. General Business -

A. COVID-19 Impact

CCSD has called for no school until April 30th. Governor Sisolak wants to uphold restrictions for social distancing. Graduation for the class of 2020 was scheduled for May 20.

Alternative ceremonies were discussed- 1.Drive in Graduation - held on the football /soccer field or at the fairgrounds or 2. Virtual Graduation- with live streaming of limited speakers/presenters. No official word has been given from CCSD.

There is a meeting with Seniors planned for today at 5pm.

The awards and scholarship presentations will most likely be combined with the graduation proceedings.

If possible, a photographer (Kim) could have a stage area to take a photo of each graduate.

A local photographer (R Jarrell) has been making posters of graduates to place in yards as a momento. Several donors have offered to pay - so that each senior can have one.

Kim thought maybe the scholarships and awards could accompany the class of 2020 photos in the progress- Vernon stated that the senior workup this year would be much larger and special for the graduates.

VI. Parent /Teacher Concerns

A.Pandemic in Moapa Valley- What does the future look like-Student stresses, smaller class sizes, social distancing continuing on?

Teachers are now required to have a 2 way communication each week and record in the Teacher Contact Log

Kim said that all students should be getting feedback from their teachers. Only about half the students are checking in and less than that are doing the makeup work offered to bring up their grades.

Parents want legitimate core lessons, not just busy work during the shutdown.

AP testing will take place, from home. AP students will be given directions in the near future.

CSN classes (US History, Econ, and Eng 102) are still going on.

CSN placement testing was not completed, Geniel will check and see if they can possibly test online.

No direction on June ACT has been given to date.

High School Registration for classes will take place April 28, 29, 30 and May 1 by grade level. Info will be in Progress, posted on the school webpage, via Parent link and on social media.

Students will receive their registration packets in their school email with times, dates and a link to complete course selections.

VII. Student Body Representative- Aubrey Aikele

A. Aubrey likes the idea of honoring seniors and holding a graduation.

IX. General SOT Discussion/Questions

X. Public Comment (3 minutes)

- A. Jeff Proffitt is running to become a CCSD board member. He would represent the rural population in the district. He has noticed how parents/teachers out here take care of our own. He would be our voice and feels it is time for our concerns to be heard. We don't want to take away from other districts, we just want our fair share. He encouraged us to stay positive during the quarantine and offered his cell number (702-239-9184)
- B. Chris Edwards (NV State Assemblyman) was having microphone problems but listened to our meeting and is on the same page. He also serves on the Education committee.

XI. Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 2:33 pm –
- Next meeting planned for Wednesday, May 6th at 1:05