

**Moscow High School – Parent Support Team (PST)**  
**Wednesday, January 10, 2018**  
**MHS - Room 125 – 7:15am**

**MINUTES**

Attendees – Marilyn Franklin, Treasurer; Paige Buehler, Secretary; Amy Ball, Charity Buchert, Mary Silvernale Shook, Peggy Jenkins; Administrators: Erik Perryman, principal and Diana Hicke, counselor

Meeting called to order by Paige at 7:09 am.

**Principal's Report - Kevin Hill**

There were ~780 students enrolled at MHS following the Winter Break.

Final schedule posted on website for week of Jan. 22-25. No school Friday, January 26.

Bell Schedule – In order to add a time when students can get to classes for makeups, assistance, etc. MHS is going to pilot an “Access” period once a week starting after Spring Break.

McKenzie Fosberg is the new Moscow Police Department resource officer for the district. She spends a good portion of her time at MHS.

**Counseling Center Update – Diana Hicke**

- 320 students (the most ever) took the PSAT in October. Results are back and test packets can be picked up in the counseling center.
- All Juniors will take the SAT on Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> (a makeup day will also be scheduled). SAT preparation classes are scheduled with Ms. Lyon and Ms. Hannon on Feb. 28, Mar. 7, and Apr. 4 from 6-8pm. There is a cost and some scholarship funds are available.
- About 100 students are taking advantage of Dual Credit coursework opportunities.
- Renee Bafus is the MHS College and Career advisor. Lots of her work is with students to determine career aptitudes and interests and apply those to future plans.
- The counselors are also involved in social services to our students and families (some schools the size of MHS have a dedicated social services/mental health counselor, but we do not.) Food Pantry programs at MHS are helping with food insecurity of some of our students.
- Moscow U-Nite is Thursday, January 11 at 5:30pm at the Bear Den/Fieldhouse/MMS. The doubleheader basketball game includes a food drive competition between MMS and MHS. Gritman has been a fantastic sponsor.
- Lots of student involvement including 9<sup>th</sup> grade Youth Empowerment, Jr/Srs helping at the i2i team building activities at MMS, and the continuing “Natural Helpers” program that identifies student peers to whom kids go for help.

### **Guest Speaker: Palouse Pathways – Peggy Jenkins**

Dream It Do It Here conference March 14<sup>th</sup> 9:00 – 3:30 at UI. The purpose of the event is to inform students about local job opportunities in industries that include (but are not limited to): manufacturing, health care, business, skilled trades, high technology, communications, construction, transportation, tourism, and engineering. Registration opens on January 10 and space is limited to 500 people:  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/dream-it-do-it-here-2018-youth>

Palouse Pathways is offering a college exploration course (meets 4 times) in Moscow, Pullman and the LC Valley. The Moscow class begins Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> 6-8pm at the Federal Building conference room.

Peggy and other PP volunteers are holding “office hours” to help students wanting assistance with college counseling, filling out applications, etc. on Saturdays at Neill Public Library.

### **PST Treasurer’s Report – Marilyn Franklin**

No report.

### **New Business**

Amy Ball let us know that there are opportunities for the public to see the Third Street traffic calming plans on Jan. 11 and Jan. 18 from 5:30-7:30pm at City Hall in council chambers.

Staff appreciation – Charity will work on something for Valentine’s Day Wed., Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>.

### **Organizing the PST going forward**

Meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month with the following schedule:

7:15am – start with guest presenter

7:30am – Principal Perryman’s update

7:45am – PST planning and business (till 8:15 max)

Mary will add Cindy Barnhart as an Admin to our Facebook page and approach Cynthia Pierce-Garnett to help cross pollinate information from MHS Music Boosters.

Paige will connect Lisa Wolcott and Charity Buchert to transfer listserv responsibilities.

We will rotate coordinating the monthly meeting. Marilyn will set up February and contact Diane Potter from the career center as a guest speaker.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 am

**Next meeting: Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 7:15am in Room 125**