MVHS SCC Meeting Minutes February 12, 2015

In attendance: Tim Stay Becky Smith Derek Elison Anna Steadman

Sam Steadman Doreen Robinson Terri Mitchell Taran Chun Joyce Harrison Sally Olsen

The Student government was give our SAGE data. Andrew will come back to next month's meeting with their thoughts, ideas and suggestions regarding this data.

Chemistry Team Presentation:

Both Boswell and Castro are new to MVHS this year. They are beginning their PLC journey.

They want to offer 2 sections of AP Chemistry next year. Last year only 2 students passed the AP Exam.

This year Boswell proposes to spend 3 Saturdays before the AP Exam to teach students in a 5-6 hour study session to prepare those interested in taking the AP Exam.

Next year they will offer Chem, Honors Chem & AP Chem (only 2nd year students will enroll in AP Chem).

Boswell collaborates on BioTEch across the District, since there are no other teachers at MVHS.

Castro is using Inquiry-based Instruction for Chemistry. He collaborates with Boswell on assessments, teaching techniques with Boswell, as well as with Orem High's teacher (although Orem's not using inquiry based methods.)

The team is hoping to develop common assessments this summer. Each will teach one class of AP Chem next year.

Derek & Lauren:

SAGE Writing started 2 weeks ago, it closes next week. They got the teachers input on the school's D grade. Teachers aren't happy with it. They have been working with anbout 100 kids who haven't finished the SAGE. If our participation is low our letter grade drops. They have been pulling the students out of classes they are doing well in, to have them complete their SAGE test.

If the students don't opt out & don't take the SAGE then it hurts the school.

<u>Tim:</u>

Provided SAGE data broken down by course.

Taran:

Garrick Peterson says that the reason our PLCs aren't progressing is because they aren't looking at their OWN data.

He wants to pull teams out for a day to work on common assessments, and assignments. In hopes that this will provide data for the teams to look at.

March 9th is an Assessment Professional Development Day. Kim Bailey will come and discuss how deep are you getting on Depth of Knowledge.

The Monday and Tuesday after Graduation, The District is paying for collaboration.

Let's define what "College and Career Readiness" is.

Proposalby:

Pay up to \$6,000 to pull teacers out for 1 day to focus collaboration. The administration will pick the teams.

Motion by Tim, Second by Doreen. Vote unanimous.

How involved will the administration be? At the beginning they will train them to focus the work. They will provide examples.

Next meeting will be March 11th.

Student body will report back and one more department will present (possibly Biology).

Accreditation highlights:

+ great sense of community, students, teachers

- + Good teaching practices, all classes were visited once or twice
- + Counselors are available
- get better with your data, monitor achievement
- More timely assessment data will inform instruction