

Moab Charter School Board Meeting Minutes March 20th, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

Chair Tanner Rubin, Director Carrie Ann Smith, Secretary Eric Pratt (virtually), staff member Silvia Payne, Red Apple Jeff Biesinger, citizen David Bowles, Parent Jana Rubin, Teacher Tara Bolos

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY MINUTES

Pratt motioned to approve the minutes from February. Pratt motioned to approve February minutes, David Bowles seconded, vote was had and motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

2025-2026 CALENDAR APPROVAL

Director Carrie Ann Smith went over two draft options, one that the teachers unanimously approve of, and the second that is more in line with the district's calendar. There was discussion before Tanner Rubin motioned to approve draft option one, David Bowles seconded, the vote carried

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Jeff Biesinger went over the financial report, and questions and discussion was had as that took place.

SCHOOL LAND TRUST 2025-2026 VOTE

Director Carrie Ann Smith went over the proposal for how to use the funds. She went over the goals for the use of the funds, and also the proposed use of the funds to fulfill those goals, including:

- Hiring a paraprofessional for reading groups
- Purchase reading software
- Purchase a new math curriculum
- Purchase books for a staff book study on math
- Provide a stipend for participating in the book study

David Bowles made a motion to discuss, Eric Pratt seconded the motion, and the issue was then opened for discussion. Tanner Rubin then discussed the plan with Director Carrie Ann Smith.

David Bowles made a motion to vote, Rubin seconded it, and there was a vote that carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Strategic Plan:

Goals: Afterschool programming, would need 4 FTE paras. Active parent council & board, storage (will need all classrooms beginning fall of 2025). Outdoor classroom, shade structures.

Wants: Updated playground, before school programming, kindergarten paraprofessional.

Finance:

25-26 Legislature is giving licensed teachers an additional \$1446 annually (this has been added to the compensation schedule draft rewrite for your approval)

- 25-26 The Legislature is giving support staff a \$1000 stipend
- 25-26 we are slated to receive \$27,374 for SRSA funding
 - This is on hold due to the possibility of not having a Federal Dept. of Ed. They are planning a possible different funding stream to be announced in April, maybe.

- 25-26 we are slated to receive \$2,148.06 for Title IIA funding
- The 25-26 STEM Action Center Grant for Personalized Math software has been applied for. (up to \$2,450)
- We need to look at Federal funding and what would happen if that goes away or changes. It could be as much as \$130,000.
- Safety grant - requested \$35,560 and received \$12,000 for specific items as noted in the grant. *The "Taskforce" will provide a couple of other items requested by their budget.
- ** Due to the power outage on 3/18-3/19 we lost 2 refrigerators and 1 freezer full of food. Aimee totaled the loss to be \$1481.08

Enrollment & Attendance:

Enrollment is at 72, 14 Kinder, 9 1st, 9 2nd, 12 3rd, 11 4th, 13 5th, 3 6th

Staffing

Cathy has stayed on and has transferred to a paraprofessional! We are thrilled to have an extra para for some reading interventions.

- Posted positions for the 25-26 school year
 - Kindergarten teacher (licensed) FTE
 - 1/2/3 math teacher (licensed) FTE
 - 1/2/3 paraprofessional FTE
 - 4/5/6 paraprofessional FTE
 - PE (LEA-specific license) 40%FTE
 - Outdoor Education (LEA-specific license) 40% FTE
 - After School paraprofessional 40% FTE (could be combined with another position for full-time employment)
 - Special Education teacher (licensed) FTE (will also do 504s, Title 1, and Assessment director)
 - Special Education paraprofessional (part-time)
 - School-based Social Worker (licensed) 40% FTE
 - Facilities Specialist (part-time)

School Programs:

Student Council

- Dragon Shirt Contest is underway.
- Pre-order only :) We typically raise between \$300-\$400 and are expecting the same this year.

Professional Development

- On 3/10 our Science of Reading/LETRS trained staff presented to the rest of the staff how we can use this training in our teaching.
- On 3/10 our COTA presented our staff with the sensory diet and SpEd rules.
- 8 of us are going through our CPR/1st aid training for certification (completed 5/2/25)

Other Stuff

- We have an amazing parent volunteer who is working on some maintenance things.
- We are in the process of seeking quotes for additional storage units out back.

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- March 21 will be our volunteer Spring Clean-up event. Tanner has the details.
- I met with Sergeant Ashby, State Security for our area on 3/13. He noted that we are the only school in the state that does not have a traditional building with hallways and such. He will be doing some diving into our situation to help provide clear guidance for our unique situation and the safety requirements. Stay tuned!
- Next school year the bridge at the end of 300 S will be replaced. We will stay apprised of the city's progress to keep our stakeholders informed as it will affect their travel to and from the school. (The bridge on 400 E will be on a different fiscal year, but will also be replaced)
- We are looking into hosting a Chamber of Commerce luncheon in June to show off our fabulous school lunches. Stay tuned!!
- The Chamber of Commerce is looking for opportunities for our local-focused businesses to interact with the visitors. We are exploring ideas for more art out front to be on the list of "places to visit." Stay tuned!!

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Nothing to follow up with

POLICY COMMITTEE

-Redo of compensation schedule policy

Director Carrie Ann Smith presented the board with the proposed updates to the policy using a detailed spreadsheet and explanation.

Pratt made a motion to discuss. David Bowls seconded the motion and it was discussed.

CLOSED SESSION

Rubin moved to go into a closed session. David Bowles seconded and the motion passed.

ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

April 3rd work session/special session

ADJOURN

David Bowles made a motion to adjourn.