

Minutes of May 22, 2017, CEO Krish Mohip's Update

CEO Krish Mohip opened the meeting at Choffin Career and Technical Center and called Matt Snipes, an assistant principal at Discovery Transition to Careers at Volney, to the front of the room to recognize him.

On May 19, Snipes saw a female student choking on her lunch. Other students were patting the girl on the back to try to help her, but it wasn't working. Snipes jumped in and administered the Heimlich maneuver. Snipes said the food that had been stuck in the girl's throat came out. The girl was upset but OK.

Mohip presented Snipes with a certificate of recognition and said Snipes is an example of the Youngstown City School District taking care of the whole child.

Mohip introduced Penny Wells, director of Mahoning Valley Sojourn to the Past, who talked about the Sojourn trip with several students to prominent sites from the Civil Rights Movement. The students spent 10 days on the trip, meeting important Civil Rights figures and learning their stories.

It was Sojourn to the Past students a few years ago who petitioned the governor to name the first week in October as Nonviolence Week.

This year's students talked about their experiences, some of them tearing up as they described what they learned. Several of the students expressed frustration that the history they learned about on the trip isn't in the history books they study in school.

Mohip said he and his administration will work with the students to accomplish their goals.

The CEO then introduced Tyrone Olverson, chief academic officer, who presented personnel recommendations. The recommendations included appointments, resignations and retirements from the district's classified staff and appointments and resignations from certificated staff. The recommendations were approved as written on the agenda.