

I. Attendees:

Jean Berthiaume, Doug Bergstein, Lori Rush,
Jo-Ann Billings, Erika Lindberg, Jill Ellis, Natalie Volpini

II. Fundraising Survey:

Jill Ellis presented a fundraising survey. Included was a cover letter describing the programs the PTO sponsors and an example of the survey. Parents are to rank fundraising methods in order of preference and provide additional ideas, if they have any. Survey Monkey will be the source of the survey.

III. Landscape Visioning:

Jean Berthiaume discussed the outcome from the landscape visioning meetings. Ideas include improving connectivity between current property and across the road, more gardening space, chickens, a café for parents, as well as playground and parking lot improvements, with an entrance to the playground from the parking lot. It would be beneficial to the school to have sidewalks and the town is willing to help make them. Jean will be partnering with Higher Ed to get UVM students to develop a plan. The hope is for a master plan to be designed for next fall. Jean will have one more action meeting for landscape visioning and will follow up with top priorities at the next PTO meeting.

IV. Vermonte Carlo update:

Sarah Jordan and Sarah Stavraky have become the co-chairs of the Vermonte Carlo committee.

Price reduction for tickets is as follows:

1 for \$18, 2 for \$32, or \$20 at the door.

Volunteers will be selling tickets at the skating party, the talent show, and at Mehuron's.

Parents will be able to purchase tickets via a form that will be sent home in your child's folder.

The Vermonte Carlo poster will be in the upcoming newsletter.

Justina will set up a volunteer sign-up through Sign-up Genius.

Cari Wilson has made the tickets.

V. Town Meeting Day

Natalie Volpini is in charge of finding childcare for families to use during town meeting.

Parents will sign up via email.

Jessie Veves is in charge of luncheon. She will coordinate a potluck for this event. Luncheon needs are to be documented and placed in the PTO binder for future reference.

VI. Treasurer's Report

Doug passed out a detailed treasurer's report.

Lori Rush had a request for the Girls On The Run program. This is a great National program

geared towards teaching young girls healthy habits and building their self-esteem. The program runs from March 25th through June 9th, with a celebratory 5k run at the end. Cost is \$450. All in favor.

Doug announced that he is moving the talent show to March 9th.

VII. 501(c) (3) Application Process:

We are currently in the process of becoming a 501(c) (3) status.

The official name for the Fayston PTO is Fayston Elementary School PTO, Inc.

Board members assigned were Jill Ellis, Erika Lindberg and Sarah Stavraky.

All attendees reviewed the bylaws. Jill moved to accept the bylaws, Erika seconded.

All in favor to adopt these bylaws.

We currently need a balance sheet from most recent tax year to complete the application process. Doug will provide income statements and estimates for the next two years to Pauline from Gravel and Shea.

All attendees reviewed the conflict of interest policy.

There was an adaptation of president/vice president to become a co-presidency. Jean moved to adapt policy and co-presidency, Doug seconded that. All in favor.

Officers and board members were stated. Officers sign official document.

It was decided to vote for following year's board at the PTO's yearly final meeting.

Doug Bergstein was appointed the PTO primary contact at 496-3636 ext. 204.

Erika is to make a descriptive of activities the PTO sponsors.

Michele Ballard is to provide mailing addresses of officers and trustees.

** Future meetings will be held on the 2nd Monday of every month.

Next meeting will be March 11th at the Fayston School @ 6pm.