

Vergennes Union Middle and High School
Commodore Parent Teacher Group
Meeting Minutes
September 7th, 2016
VUHS Library
6:30-8:00pm

***Introductions - Carla, Lynne, Stacey, Tania, Tracey, Sheena, Sue, Kira, Jay and Stephanie. Carla apologized for the lack of lead time announcing the meeting and suggested this meeting would be more informal. Next month folks will be sent an agenda before the meeting.**

***Meeting Minutes from May - reviewed by Kira**

***Administrative Update - Stephanie said there had been a smooth start to the school year. This year there are 4 exchange students, 7-10 new faculty (mostly replacing faculty that left the school), and 7 student interns. When asked what the school is working on this year the response was two fold. Working on Standards Based Grading and reporting out on Habits of Work. Jay shared that the school was also grappling with Flexible Learning Pathways. He said that parents need to share/push what their kids need. Part of the job this year will be to help the community understand what personalized learning can be. The Middle School is looking for a Fusion Afterschool Program Coordinator. Sue agreed to be on the hiring committee for that position.**

***Updates**

VUHS E-News - Carla and Jay talked about what the E-News is and that it would be sent out soon. Sue volunteered to be the 7th grade liaison until someone else is willing to take it over. All other grades are covered.

Back to School Night Fundraiser Idea - Stacey and Lynne proposed a Harvest Farm to Table Dinner fundraiser to accompany the Back to School Night on Wed September 21. The idea was to offer a dinner from 4:30-6:00 at a low cost with much of the ingredients being donated from local producers. Lynne suggested it would cost the group about \$300. Stacey said she would need 5 volunteers on the Sunday before the event to make the food. The group decided that the time frame to pull this off was too short but liked the idea and brainstormed other events that this fundraiser could accompany. Idea included Homecoming or if the group offered an evening program like showing a film.

***CPTG Grant Program - Carla reported that Lou has agreed to head up this committee again. Tania planned to send out information about the grant program to VUMS and VUHS staff. Stephanie put a plug in to support a grant for a Chili Cook Off and Longboat Program.**

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 5, 2016 from 6:30-8:00pm