

**Vergennes Union Middle and High School
Commodore Parent Teacher Group
Meeting Minutes
May 3rd, 2017
6:30-8:00pm
VUHS Library**

Attendees: Carla, Lynne, Tania, Kristina, Jay and Kira

- Welcome Carla + Lynne
- Meeting Minutes Review Kira
- Treasurer Report Sue
- Administrative Update Jay / Stephanie

Busy time of year, but all going well. Friday, May 12th will be a $\frac{1}{2}$ day for all students except seniors. All students expected to give presentations that day. During this time of year Stephanie helps to guide the seniors and Jay helps the Juniors through all of their activities. Senior class fundraiser coming up May 17th which is later than usual. Last day of school June 16th ($\frac{1}{2}$ day).

- Recent grant request review and discussion Lou/All

No new grants. Need to cut a check for the massage therapist.

- Staff appreciation activities All

Jay said the staff really appreciated the massages. He hoped to begin announcing the raffle prizes Thursday morning. The group came up with about 40 raffle prizes. Lynne thought the food donations for FRiday's lunch would be adequate. Students wrote letters of appreciation but sometimes used nicknames for the staff so we needed to get help disseminating them. Carla shared that Mt Abe had not had any activities for national teacher appreciation week.

- CPTG officers/positions for 2017-18 - discussion All

A big thank you went out to Carla and Lynne for leading the group for the last two years! Unfortunately, no one has offered to take over leadership next year. Tania said she would take on the responsibilities of the treasurer

if Sue wanted to lead the group. After some discussion about possibly creating a supervisory union parent group instead of individual school groups, the idea was dropped.

The group decided to take the following next steps:

****Carla will check with Molly Goodyear to see if she is willing to take over organizing e-news next year.**

****Lynne will attend 6 grade step up night at VUHS, speak to attendees and hand out brochures about the CPTG.**

****Lynne will send out an email to everyone in the group letting them know about an informal 1st meeting in September. No agenda for the meeting.**

****The first formal meeting in October will be advertised in the e-news. At that time it will be decided if the group will meet monthly or at some other time period (?quarterly). Decide what goals to achieve during the school year. Ideas were to continue staff appreciation activities, to provide grants, perhaps to offer an enrichment activity (ex Screenagers movie) and continuation of the e-news. Also to see if anyone wants to take over leadership of the group.**

****It was thought that Lou was interested in continuing to organize the grant committee.**

****Tanya offered to represent the group at next year's open house.**

****Jay is considering creating a blurb for September's e-news that lets parents know how they can get more involved with the school through Boosters, Friends of Music and the CPTG.**

The VUHS CPTG Mission Statement: To encourage and support academic achievement through the promotion of family involvement in the school, enrichment programs, and communications between families/parents, teachers, administrators, and community members.