

Champlain Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes 4-19-18

Present: Kerrie Mathes, Vanessa Berman, Katlyn Morris, Kathleen Laramee, Jessica Blackman, Kath Laing, Kayla Gokey, Ms. Charbonneau, Ms. Patrick, Heather Chernyshov, Janet Stewart, Carina Driscoll, Angela Duquette-Catlett, Jeff Wick, Mike Fisher, Rebecca Grannis, Ms. Roesch, Ms. Goetz, Ms. Mattina, Elzy Wick

- New Champlain Elementary Roadway plan- extensive discussion of major concerns about safety for kids around the school. The design process has not included the community; the Champlain community of parents and teachers wants and needs to be involved. These are the 'credible interest groups' to consult.
 - o Meetings to attend- Tonight 4/19 NPA; May 7 Conservation Board review.
 - o Write School Board members with concerns
 - o Contact Joanna Grossman for petition information joeyinvermont@gmail.com

- Afterschool enrichment has gone well, lessons learned from Dr. D-
 - o Staff for these should be from within Champlain staff or community, not outside. BKids is registered, has the infrastructure, knows the kids and the system. Too much is required of Champlain to get outside people up to speed.

- Work is continuing on increasing opportunities for all families to do afterschool programs. Carina and others are engaging with the Mayor to improve this, and fill the gap between afterschool program need and program capacity. Creating Task Force for afterschool opportunities, including transportation.

- Volunteer Appreciation Brunch- June 8, 8:10am, library
- Other upcoming events, fundraisers-
 - o 6/19 Lake Monsters game;
 - o 5/5 Car Wash, green up day 8am-2pm, bake sale items needed!
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 - o 5/8 Teacher Appreciation Lunch (mealtrain signup), klaramee802@gmail.com
 - o 5/10 Panera night fundraiser,
 - o 5/11 Trivia Night at St. John's Club 6-9:30, sponsorships and donations needed!,
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 - o 6/3 Fun Run 8:30am Oakledge Lower Pavilion; elzywick@gmail.com

- Final thought- We continue to seek ways to involve a diversity of parents in PTO and all events, there is interest in working with Megan Warda and other staff to identify leaders within under-represented communities in our school. All thoughts and suggestions welcome for how best to do this.