

Playground Meeting

July 10, 2017

Agenda

Notes are in red from the meeting

Fundraising Update

Art Auction - \$3,022.00 raised from the auction. \$200 goes to 4th of July committee making the profit \$2,822.00. Thank you so much for all the hard work!!!!

Scheduled Events Update – SALT – We need to get a firm date from Cate. We are approaching August and don't want to lose the opportunity. I emailed Cate this evening and cc'd Megan on the email

BINGO letter – Sam did a great job on the letter. We are tweaking one line and then it is ready to go. Sam has a great lover of BINGO who will be helping to get donations. Holly will help with businesses on the mainland and Megan will help on the island for places not covered on either side of the pond.

Donation Receipt Letter – To follow up with a conversation with Jess for a thank you/tax donation letter to folks who gave to the art auction, we realize a need for a letter to be prepared for all donations going forward. Holly is putting one together and will send out to all of you ASAP.

In addition to the agenda listed the following was discussed: Need for logo. This would help in our correspondence, Facebook page, and other places that would help us be identified. Sam is going to work on this; Rachel from Go Fish has donated 3 scooters that we can raffle or perhaps sell. We would need to move on these soon as the season for scooters is now vs late fall. We need to find out more about the scooters for resale purposes and/or to set prices for raffle tickets. Ideally a raffle that could start at the end of July would be great so we could advertise in The Wind and get our logistics set. Once we have a definitive plan, we will approach Fox Island Concerts about selling tickets at their concerts and at a few spots around town. We will firm up plans at the meeting on the 24th; The Wind ad this week will reflect the new fundraising total from the art auction, update the meeting place and list the next 3 meeting dates; Holly and Megan will be visiting businesses on Thursday, the 13th at 10:00 a.m. about hosting a Playground Day with businesses giving up to 10% of sales (or whatever amount they are comfortable with). The date for the giving day will be Wednesday, August 2nd. Sam is going to talk to Lindsey at Sand Bar to see if she is willing to use the BINGO night as a fundraiser vs her giving 10% of sales. More to follow.....

Ultiplay – visit and update – Layne visited the school and has followed up with Holly a couple of times since. He is working on a basic plan as a starting point that can be customized as we go. Holly has asked him and he is willing to come back and hold a community day at the school to allow folks a chance

to physically see and touch the equipment that would be used. This would give them a chance to compare what is there now with what the new equipment would be as well as talk to him about the build. We could really make this into a great information session and maybe tie a fundraiser to it.

Logistics with existing court – One thing that was discussed when Layne was here was the possibility of using the existing court as a transition space for 4 square, hop scotch, and other ground games. The Pre-K area would be to the left of the existing court and would separate the smaller kids from the older ones. The new court would still be built at the other end of the current playground. Substantial money could be saved from not tearing up the asphalt surface and reusing it as is. This is still a really new idea, not to be published or talked about as a firm plan but definitely worth the continued conversation.

Armbrust Hill Playground – The idea of a community work day led by the playground committee was discussed at the last meeting. Holly was to contact Doug Littlefield as the Lion's Club rep to see if we could hold a cleanup day. Investigating further led to the fact that the park is actually town property with a line item in the budget for maintenance of the playground/park area. Holly has been in conversation with Andy and is moving to the next phase of talking to town officials to see if we can plan a day that would be sponsored by us, the Lion's club, and the town. Holly is going to talk to Phil and Pam (selectmen) to solicit support for this. More to follow

Updates sent to Email List – Holly did send an update to the 25 people on the email list to keep them in the loop of what has been happening. They will continue to receive a monthly recap going forward.

New administration – We want to make sure that we invite Ann and Roy to an upcoming meeting of the playground committee very soon. While they have a lot on their plates, this issue is very important and we want them to get a perspective from us on what has been accomplished and what we are doing. We feel this needs to happen sooner rather than later for obvious reasons.