VEEN Board Call Notes: September 9th @ 12pm

In Attendance: Kerri, Emily, Ashley, Caroline, Lauren, Beth, Ali, Elizabeth

Cannot make it: Nicole Conte, Rebecca Roy, Chris Runcie

Facilitator: Rotating Notetaker: Caroline

Agenda

- Type in your 1 minute personal/professional updates type in 1 sentence: (Caroline)
- It's a great time to be part of VEEN! Things are happening! (Kerri)
- Recognizing Caroline! (Kerrl)
- Hiring Update (Ashley)
 - Any last edits to description?
 - Review updated position description
 - Divide up advertisement for position
 - Share with networks (share email language)
 - We'll share an interview rubric shortly (TBD)
 - Timeline
 - Aim to start posting by next Friday 9/4 (done!)
 - Posted until 9/20
 - First round of conversations on 9/14
 - Decision by 9/25
 - Ask for any favorite interview questions in chat box
- Webinars (Caroline)
 - Webinar 2 Update Taking Teaching Outdoors
 - Sept 15, Topic, Caroline, Chris, Nicole, Ali & Ashley
 - Share link to description & registration
 - Reminder to register
 - How board can help publicize (link to website, corrected flyer- in your email)
 - Webinar 3 Planning Teachers Tell All: Successes and Challenges of Teaching Outdoors
 - Board member leads: Ashley and Kerri
 - Oct 1, Topic, Speakers
 - Seeking teachers and different age ranges. Board members can send in suggestions
 - Share link to description & registration:
 https://uvmextension.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_IrHbWe2HS8yafc5JIRnahg
 - Reminder to register
 - How the board can help publicize (link to website, flyer to come)
- Fall 2020 Education Survey Update (Kerri)
 - Need your help reaching more educators!
 - Send to teacher lists board members if you have connections
 - Send to Southern VT, NEK need more people filling out survey from these areas

Awesome results so far, review trends

- Outdoor learning support- curriculum, activities
- Virtual learning support
- Gear support
 - Idea: Naturalist Backpacks (Beth)

Plan for analyzing & sharing data

 Elissa: science communicator & branding consultant; getting quote for data analysis & one pager infographic for website, distribution and to guide our action & response plan to the survey

Actions from Survey

- Gear drive! More to come on this!
 - If anyone has any ideas let us know. One idea is to connect with libraries
 - Upper Valley Teaching collaborative is putting "Naturalist backpacks" to keep
- Webinars on needed topics (started!)
- Update Website Resources (started!) https://vteandenetwork.org/page-18118
 - If you haven't recently- check out the website www.vteandenetwork.org Tour the new additions! Add more resources, jobs, webinars!

• NAAEE Survey on Partnerships (Kerri)

You can participate & share:
 https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdEL0PgtYLDL0QIRwePDmSSCQ1u5eLuuYB8Q8BIiNuYcM53Kg/viewform

NAAEE Workshop (Kerri)

- Ashley & Kerri are presenting!
 - "Systems Change for More Welcoming Organizations"
 - Friday, October 16th 11AM
- About Us! Our process & systems change as a template for others to make change too
 - VEEN process and progress with theory of change & systems change
 - Caught the eye of the affiliate network and NAAEE!
- Register for the conference (add to website)
- Sneakpeek- Practice Session
 - to get board member feedback
 - October 2 10-11am
 - KM sent calendar invite & email out to board

DEI statement (Ashley)

- o Review with the board VEEN Anti-Racism Statement
- Post it to the Website
 - Stay on the home page (maybe take over spot of the Fall Ed Survey when that closes on Sept 16th)

Interview question ideas for Admin Coordinator (put in chat box and copied over)

 How did you become involved in Environmental Education and how have you made connections to those in the industry? (CB)

- What is a strength that you will bring with you to this position and how will you use it in this position? (Emily)
- How do you handle virtual interfaces in the current virtual world? (Lauren)
- leaving space for them to ask questions of interview team, looking for whether they prepared for that or not (elizabeth)

Any Other Announcements? Questions?

Date of next VEEN call: Wednesday, October 14th @ 4pm

Zoom Call Info: