

Vermont 250th Anniversary Commission School and Teacher Outreach Committee

September 9, 2024 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting Only Microsoft Teams meeting

Members Present: Izzy Provancha, Martha Deiss, Rich Strum,

Members Absent:

Others Present:

I. Welcome and Introductions

Izzy Provancha called the meeting to order at 3:04pm.

II. Changes to Agenda

Phil Holland asked to add discussion of Lost Nation film and the Research and Historical webinar project to New Business.

III. Approval of August Minutes

There were no minutes to approve.

IV. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

V. Old Business

- Framework of Resources

There was discussion of creating an accessible document which includes links to supporting resources. Rich suggested a webinar for organizations to introduce their own resources. Elsa announced the historical fiction list as a suggested book list to be shared as a resource. There was discussion of redundancy with the document. Meg Mallory discussed the various projects and the issue of accessibility. Martha discussed the usability of a table in the document. Martha and Izzy will share the resources with Megan Albert to begin creation of an accessible document.

- VTCLA

The committee discussed the invitation to the VTCLA podcast which Jonah is interested. This will be recurring and Meg Mallory will be the next guest for the podcast.

- VASS-update

The commission discussed tabling and presenting at the VASS conference. Martha reiterated that the commission signed up for tabling this year. Phil suggested providing

copies of the book list on the table for people to explore. Meg suggested providing a book package. The commission agreed including providing the framework.

- Website-update

Megan gave an update on the VT250th website. There is no exact date for going live, but any content can be added in the meantime. Martha asked about anything being time specific. Megan clarified any events or content can be sent to her directly or through the 250th endorsement email for placement on the website.

VI. New Business

- Vt Public/CTE collaboration

Martha explained the student CTE freedom and unity competition. There was discussion of getting more students involved. A meeting is scheduled to discuss more information the proposal for the project.

- VT educator nominated for America 250th opportunity

Jen Tift was nominated and accepted nomination to the U.S. Capitol Historical Society Teacher Workshop.

- Lost Nation film

Phil Holland explained the debut of the historical fiction film Lost Nation and raved about it. He explained how it will be featured in towns across Vermont and discusses how it explores a lesser-know history during the Revolutionary era. Izzy is a star in it.

- Research and Historical committee project

The commission was curious about the mentioned research and historical committee project. Megan Albert reported that she contacted the School and Teacher Outreach Committee and they would elaborate on their project at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: October 15th and November 12th at 3pm

VI. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:59pm

Respectfully submitted,

Megan Albert
VT250th Event Coordinator