

FFINS June Meeting Minutes
June 14, 2016 – 6:00pm

Attendees: Dr. David Hensen, Renee Kantro, Kennedy Wright, Victoria Como, Konstantine Rountos, Sarah Schaefer, Anita Stern, Kaetlyn Jackson

Minutes approved from May meeting

1. Treasurer's Report – (Anita Stern) FFINS has \$6,000 to \$7,000 in our account and this balance is decreasing. We need to fundraise.
 - David suggested Photo Key 7 Software could be used to fundraise.
2. FINPS Barefoot Black Tie Event- August 13th
3. FINS Science conference – Mike Bilecki
 - Consider coordinating events with other Earth day like events.
 - Chris Soller sent an email thanking FFINS for participation.
4. Watch Hill Ferry Terminal Trivia Slideshow
 - Renee and Kaetlyn have been getting price options: 42 inch TV with USB port is around \$349 and multi-direction wall mount is \$190. Renee will purchase these two items ASAP.
 - Slideshow created by SJC students along with Professor Konstatine Rountos is ready to go.
5. Saint Joseph College (SJC) day – Dr. Konstantine Rountos
 - 12pm-5pm, Sunday, August 28th at Watch Hill
 - Celebrate 100 years of SJC and National Park Services.
 - Draft itinerary is ready and will be finalized at Saint Joseph's College Day event planning meeting on June 20th.
 - Who to invite: SJC current and incoming students and parents, faculty, alumni, Fire Island National Seashore staff, FFINS members.
 - Activities:
 - Scientific Presentations by SJC faculty
 - Beach seining
 - Regularly scheduled canoe tour
 - Various other short educational tours
 - Volleyball
 - Expected attendance: SJC Biology Club~ 30 students interested, Total ~ 100-125
 - FFINS has funds that were raised at Christmas Boat Parade are available.
 - Food and beverage: Clambake menu for lunch originally suggested but after deliberation event will be "bring your own" and food and drink can be purchased at general store, The Pier, Snack Bar and Tiki Bar and grills can be used. FFINS can provide fund 2-3 drink tickets/ person (non-alcoholic).

- FFINS will try to get Patchogue business donations to fund the event.
6. VIP Docent Program
 - Victoria and Kennedy can be trained as docents and plan to take a tour to the key sites in Fire Island National Park Service.
 7. Alive after Five
 - Thursday: July 7, July 21, Aug. 4, and Aug 18.
 - Request FFINS and FINPS table be close together for all events.
 - FINPS will have a educational touch table, and information for volunteer opportunities.
 8. NorthFace Explore Grant application - Marcelo Lucero Unity Tour
 - Application denied.
 - Keep an eye out for other funding opportunities.
 9. CENTENNIAL Art Exhibition
 - Find Your Park Juried Art Exhibition
 - Dates: July 31 – September 5, 1956
 - Reception: Thursday August 25, 6:00 pm to 8:00 PM
 - Application deadline: June 10, 2016
 10. FFINS student chapters
 - Welcome SBU-FFINS President – Victoria Como and SJC-FFINS President – Kennedy Wright.
 - SBU student president is trying to reinvigorate the student membership through Facebook page and campus flyers.
 - SJC Club Conference on September 7th- requested FFINS pamphlets with inserts indicating no membership fee requirement to hand out.
 11. Stony Brook University Orientation Tour for International students
 - Start planning!
 - Coordinate with Yu-Wan Wang of international department.
 - Pursue FY2017 Challenge Share Program- applications due July 1st, 2016.