

February 14, 2019 Friends of Wescustogo Meeting Minutes

Present: Steve Barr, Anne Graham (Board Liaison), Darla Hamlin, Emma Raven, Jen Smith

FOW website: Darla created new forms for becoming a donor, which are not yet live on the website. There will be a separate tab to donate a barn board, piece of the mosaic, or money. The site accepts credit cards. The website can be found [here](#).

Donation tracking sign: Instead of the standard thermometer, the sign will 'fill up' the house in the FOW logo (below). Donations will be tracked by dollar amounts, not number of donations. One sign will be next to the sandwich board at the construction site and other possible locations include: in front of town hall, in front of F.O. Bailey, at the Rt 9-Rt 115 intersection where there's often a banner. **Darla** will ask Joe Loring about making this sign.

Facebook page: We will start to post more on the [Facebook page](#), especially the link to donate. Emma will be added as an admin on the page (though anyone can post to the page).

Spring event: We might hold an event in the spring. These ideas were brainstormed:

- Calling it a spring fling or something relating to mud

- Possible venues: the Barn at Walnut Hill or Toddy Brook

- Possible sponsors: Maine Beer Company

- Holding the event on a Friday or Saturday night (March 29 or 30 or April 5 or 6)

- Possibly holding a silent auction

- Asking Mark Heath about providing food

Barn boards display: **Steve** will have more barn boards created as a display of what we can put on them for possible donors. To show that it doesn't just need to be a name, possibilities include John Ames (veteran in WWII, Korean War, and Vietnam War) and John Folan (retiring track coach of over 20 years). Shapes can be engraved on the boards as well, not only text. The barn boards cost donors \$250 and will be panelling in the lobby at Wescustogo.

Gifts: We can accept any gift, but if it has a condition (such as a name), then it must be approved by the Select Board. Nothing can be named after a business, but a business can donate in honor of someone.

Meetings: Meetings will be held on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7pm.

Upcoming meetings: Feb 28, March 14, March 28

Next meeting: February 28 at 7pm in the town hall meeting room

Mission statement: *To instill a sense of community by engaging friends and neighbors in the building of a new Community Center that honors the traditions of Wescustogo Hall while embracing the future.*

