



Vermont Recreation and Parks Association

December Quarterly Meeting



Thursday, December 6, 2018

Chandler Center for the Arts in Randolph, VT

Federal & State Legislation – Why You Should Care (0.1 CEU)

Building relationships with your state and federal legislative representatives and their staff can help you accomplish your work goals. After legislative updates from all three of our federal offices and a state legislative preview from the VT League of Cities & Towns Director of Public Policy & Advocacy, we will delve into how to engage with your legislators and their staff. Find out how you can help inform them on your current needs and issues and learn how they can help you. Do you ever ask yourself, “Why should I even care about connecting with our congressional representatives?” In this educational session, you will learn about some of the constituent advocacy and support available through their Vermont and DC offices and how you can tap into available resources to help you complete your organization’s work plan.

There will be plenty of time for questions & answers so please bring your questions. Have you ever wished you had gotten involved sooner when you realize the implications of a final piece of legislation? If you have, this is a great program for you and if you haven’t, this will be helpful to stay up to speed on what’s happening in Montpelier and DC.

Panelists:

*Tom Berry, Senator Patrick Leahy’s Office
Haley Pero, Senator Bernie Sanders Office*

*Karen Horn, VT League of Cities & Towns
George Twigg, Congressman Peter Welch’s Office*

MEETING AGENDA

8:30 – 9:00 am	Refreshments and Networking
9:00 – 9:10 am	Welcome & Introductions
9:10 – 10:30 am	Education Program
10:45 – 11:15 am	Roundtable Discussions (CHOOSE ONE) Topics: Camp Registration, Project Management, Outdoor Ice Rinks, & Creative Finances
11:30 – 12:30 pm	VRPA Business Meeting
12:30 – 1:30 pm	LUNCH and Yankee Swap (bring a \$5 gift if you want to play)
1:30 – 3:00 pm	Committee Meetings – 2019 Summerama and State Track Meet

MEETING REGISTRATION - [CLICK HERE to REGISTER ONLINE](#)

Meeting Registration Fees: \$20.00 (includes morning snack & lunch)
\$10.00 (no lunch)

Please register by Friday, November 30th. Thank you!

Questions or Registration Problems? Contact Betsy Terry at betsy@vrpa.org or 802-878-2077.

Directions: From the north or south via I-89, take Exit 4, the Randolph exit. At the end of the exit ramp, turn onto Route 66 heading west, down the hill into town. Stay on this road for approximately 3 miles. At the four-way stop, head straight on Route 12. Bear to the left at Cumberland Farms and you will see Chandler Music Hall, a large gray cement block building on the left side of the street, across from a large white church, just past the bridge. There is plenty of free parking within easy walking distance. If you are using GPS, enter the address as 71 North Main Street, Randolph VT.