

Camp Onas Report to Newtown Monthly Meeting
January 7, 2024

Camp Onas put another successful summer on the books this year. The Board of Directors was thrilled to join the staff during pre-camp for the first time since the pandemic. The Board received input from the summer staff on our updated Mission and Vision statements, emphasizing the program's connection to nature. Delays in the showerhouse construction required the use of rental trailers for plumbing on the Blue and Gold Sides.

Camp Onas continues to dedicate the advancement of diversity and access in its program. This summer Simone Gamble joined camp staff during precamp and second session. Simone worked with our IDEA Coordinator, Dex Coen-Gilbert, staff members, and campers where they participated in conversations about social justice, identity, and our values. The Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access Committee meets throughout the year and during the summer to develop skills and enact change to make camp a safe and welcoming space for all. You can read more about Simone and their work in our [Fall Newsletter](#).

The Friends Camp Association is thrilled to welcome two new Board Members Sophie Hess and Kate Wellhofer! The Board is seeking to acquire more members, if anyone has any interest or recommendations, please contact Katie Hulihan or Scott Hoskins.

Camp Onas has launched its Capital Campaign. The Campaign Committee consists of staff members, board members, and additional members from the wider Onas Community. The committee is tackling more lofty fundraising goals and outreach efforts. The Capital Campaign

