

**Amherst Junior High PTO
Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 4, 2019 @ 9am**

Meeting called to order at **9:09 am** by **President, Dawn Clappas:** (dclappas@gmail.com)

- Thank you for coming to this month's meeting.
- Mrs. Difrancio has submitted a teacher grant request for flexible seating in her classroom. She would like 6 couches from Amazon Prime, total cost \$864.61. **Dana Satmary** made a motion to approve this request, motion seconded by **Linda Fitz**, motion approved by all in attendance.
- PTO needs a list of specific playground equipment needed ASAP so we can order it.
- All documents coming from the PTO need to be reviewed and approved by Andrew Gibson. Please give Andrew enough time to approve documents before copies need to be made. Also, please make sure Sandy Aufdenkampe gets a copy as it was sent home (if applicable) in case parents have questions. Typically we just post a PDF on the website and place copies on the credenza.
- Please check the school website on a regular basis as updates/changes as well as all pertinent info will be on it; remind everyone you talk to.
- Please have any agenda information to Lauren Price (laurenprice511@gmail.com) no later than a week before PTO meeting, if possible.
- We have an AJH PTO Facebook page (AJH PTO) as well as a Twitter account (@ajhpto)
- Monthly meetings for 2019/2020 school year will be held the first Friday of each month at 9 am at AJH. (With the exception of November and January.)
 - **Treasurer's Report, Dawn Dewey:** (ajhptotreasurer@gmail.com)
Expenses for the month: SEE REPORT
Income for the month: SEE REPORT
Financial forms are in the PTO folder in the office, need to complete one to be reimbursed by PTO, please also attach receipt .
 - **Principal, Mr. Gibson:** (andrew_gibson@amherstk12.org)
Thank you for coming to the meeting, we appreciate all of your support!
Would like a few basketball hoops closer to the school for ME period, most likely in the loop in front of the school. Mr. Gibson will get an estimate.
For the walk a thon each grade will walk to a different location, Eagle,. City Hall, and Beaver Creek.
 - **Vice President, Heather Hatten:** (heathermhatten@gmail.com)
Absent from meeting
 - **Secretary, Lauren Price:** (laurenprice511@gmail.com)
Please sign attendance sheet.
September minutes, **Andrew Gibson** motions to waive the reading of last month's minutes, **Anette Kunakowsky** seconds motion, motion approved by all in attendance.
 - **Apparel Sale, Heather Hatten:** (heathermhatten@gmail.com)

Having a district wide apparel sale, order form will go home soon.

- **Box Tops, Nicole Matthews: (nmatthews01@gmail.com)**
Send in your Box Tops as you collect them.
There is now a box tops app you can download to give box tops points to the school.
- **Community Support, General :**
Link your Giant Eagle card to Nord Middle School. Link Amazon account to Amazon Smile through Powers Elementary, Coke Rewards, send in bottle caps, or you can enter them yourself on cokes website, under Powers Elementary. All money earned split evenly between Powers, Nord, and AJH PTO.
- **Community Support, Donation Drives, Lauren Price: (laurenprice511@gmail.com)**
Second Harvest Food Bank - Collection dates will be February 3-21
Neighborhood Alliance - Collection dates will be November 11-26
- **Dances, Dana Satmary, Cheryl Miller: (danaz@live.com), (cherylmiller@roadrunner.com)**
Fall dance for 6th-8th grades will be November 1st, 2:45-4:45, at AJH.
DJ scheduled \$250, ticket sales for two days during lunch, October 31, and November 1, tickets \$5.
- **Hospitality, Dana Satmary: (danaz@live.com)**
Conference dinner will be provided for staff October 10th by PTO. Lenoci's restaurant will cater.
- **Membership, Dawn Clappas: (dclappas@gmail.com)**
Membership totals so far, 38 families, and 43 staff.
- **Walk a Thon**
Walk a Thon will be held October 10th, with a rain date of October 15th
Will encourage students to bring their own water bottles.
Hat day will be the following Friday, October 18th.
- **Social Media: Nicole Matthews: (nmatthews01@gmail.com)**
- If you need anything added for your committees please let Nicole know and she will get it on Facebook and Twitter.

MISC Business

- Meeting adjourned **10:15 am**
- Next AJH PTO meeting will be Monday, November 4, at 6pm