

Democrats of Amherst Executive Board Meeting April 10, 2017

Attendees: Anna Goulet Zimmerman, Julie Smiley, Addie Hutchison, Penny Eggleston, Rhiannon Pochopin, Faye O'Neill, Dan Veilleux, Martin Goulet

7:10: Meeting called to order by Anna
Minutes from 3/13 meeting approved

Treasurer's Report: Rhiannon has successfully gotten her name on our bank account, and we received the checkbook from the Danzingers. One check has been written to the PTA Play Committee for an ad in their playbill. Current balance is \$1122.63. Anna will connect with Rhiannon sometime to get her name added to the account.

Board Change: Lucy Spencer has resigned from the board. Megan Murray will take her place. Welcome Megan! We hope to call on Lucy for occasional help with events. Thank you for the time you have donated.

NHDP: Erin Turmelle, NHDP Political Director, would like to attend a board meeting or other event sometime to introduce herself and share ideas.

Future Amherst Democrats Topics / Speakers:

Journalist Panel, May 4th or 10th, SHS

Addie has invited speakers from several NH news outlets to discuss covering politics in the current climate. Radio host Arnie Arnesen has committed, as has the SHS digital newsletter staff and their advisor. Kevin Landrigan from The Union Leader and Jeff Feingold from NH Business Review are probable speakers. Addie will let us know when she confirms so we can start advertising.

Climate Change was discussed as a possible June topic. There are several advocacy groups in NH we could connect with regarding this topic. We would like to have a focus on climate change effects on NH &/or what individuals can do to make a difference. Anna & Rhiannon will work on this.

July 4th: We decided to again enter a float in the Amherst parade. Rhiannon and Martin will organize, and hope to recruit helpers with some creative ideas. This year's parade theme is "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of

Happiness.” We hope to have children riding on the float. Most likely many workers will be needed to put the float together.

We will also continue our sales of root beer on the green. Faye will organize and will contact Incredibrew. Root Beer will be made and bottled in June, then labels affixed. Typical sales are about 500 bottles. In addition, we will offer small flags to anyone who wants one, especially children. We have many leftover from previous years.

Labor Day: We plan to host our usual barbeque event. Steve Marchand has asked to attend a meeting or event sometime, and Labor Day might be a perfect time. We will probably also hold our caucus at that time to approve changes to the by-laws.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm. Next meeting Monday May 8th 7pm at XXXXXXXX’s house.

Minutes submitted by
Faye O’Neill, Secretary