

**Democrats of Amherst
Executive Board Meeting
September 11, 2017**

Anna Goulet Zimmerman's House

Attendees: Anna Goulet Zimmerman, Penny Eggleston, Faye O'Neill, Dan Veilleux, Clay Sammis, Pat Eggleston, Megan Murray, Julie Smiley

7:00: Anna called the meeting to order and August minutes were approved. Peggy Harris has expressed interest in stepping down and being an alternate member of the Board. Anna asked Beth Powers to take Peggy's place. Beth agreed and we unanimously voted to accept Beth as a new member.

Treasurer's Report:

Dan's report shows \$ [REDACTED] currently in our account. Anna handed Dan quite a few additional checks from BBQ ticket sales, which will add to our balance.

Labor Day BBQ:

We all agreed the event was successful in terms of proceeds and speakers. Attendance was pretty much in our normal range for events. Service from the Amherst Country Club was somewhat disappointing. We discussed possible future event sites, including SHS, LaBelle, Murphy's, D'Amato Center, Amherst Congregational Church, Milford Unitarian Church, P MEC, Black Forest and Walnut Hollow Farm. We also discussed the possibility of hosting a Labor Day Barbeque only in Presidential Primary years, and possibly holding more casual gatherings in in-between years. SHS requires proof of insurance, but Dan thinks we can buy a one-time inexpensive policy.

Informal Gathering and Yard Sale at Anna & Martin's House:

We decided to combine the informal gathering (BBQ) and the yard sale. Both will be held on October 21st, with a rain date of October 22nd. Drop off sale items at Anna and Martin's house. Check with them on good timing.

Other Topics:

We're not yet ready to mail the fund-raising postcards we previously discussed, and may not do so because of the cost. We'll go through the voter checklists together to determine how many registered Democrats are people that one or more of us knows. We decided to do that at our October meeting and to start at 6pm to give us enough time. Anna will invite Shannon Chandley and Roger Lessard.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38. **Next meeting Monday October 9, 6pm at Megan's house. There is not much parking. Please park at or near Moulton's.**

Minutes submitted by
Faye O'Neill, Secretary