

**AJH PTO Meeting**  
**Friday September 11, 2020**  
**9:00 am**  
(Virtual)

**Meeting called to order at: 9:12 am**

**President: DawnClappas** ([dclappas@gmail.com](mailto:dclappas@gmail.com))

- Welcome back! Thank you for coming to this month's meeting.
- The Board members this year are President: Dawn Clappas  
Vice President: Heather Hatten  
Treasurer: Dawn Dewey  
Currently the Secretary position is open
- Budget- We talked about this year's budget and made adjustments to reflect the possibility of little income coming in this year. The new final budget will reflect those changes and will be presented at the next meeting to be voted on and approved.
- Fundraisers- We will not be able to do our main Walk-A-Thon fundraiser this fall. We will revisit the idea in the Spring. Mini Fundraisers, such as Kalahari, are also on hold.
- We will keep our meetings on the first Friday of the month at 9am, except the two months we are not in school the first Friday. It will then be held on the 2nd Friday.
- The \$7,000 Amazon order for the supplies/equipment for the Makers Space is still approved from last year and can be placed as soon as possible.
- Budget: Due to Covid-19, there are several changes to the budget this year. It is uncertain at this time whether or not we will be able to have any fundraisers, therefore we are decreasing our budget for the 2020/2021 school year.
  - We are changing the name of the AJH Learning Center Fund to the CLC/Maker's Space Fund therefore allowing us to keep supporting both. The Maker's Space supplies will continuously need to be replenished.
  - We lowered the Discretionary fund to \$500.
  - We added an Admin Fund to use for QuickBooks payment.
  - We lowered Student Outreach Fund to \$500
  - We eliminated for the 2020/2021 school year the Field Trip Fund. We can revisit it later in the year if things change and they allow field trips.
  - We created a Spirit Fund for the money collected from game concessions.

**Principal: Andrew Gibson** ([andrew\\_gibson@amherstk12.org](mailto:andrew_gibson@amherstk12.org))

Thank you all for coming and thank you to the pto for all you do for our school. This year we are focusing on spreading joy and positivity. We will also focus on the needs of our eCampus students to be sure they feel included.

**Vice President: Heather Hatten** ([heathermhatten@gmail.com](mailto:heathermhatten@gmail.com))

(Not in attendance)

**Secretary: Open** (President Dawn Clappas filled in as Secretary)

- Please sign attendance sheet (due to the meeting being virtual, Dawn C. took attendance)

- Dawn D made a motion to waive the reading of last month's minutes, Lisa B seconded the motion. Vote: Yes.

**Treasurer: Dawn Dewey** ([ajhptotreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:ajhptotreasurer@gmail.com))

- Remember that we are tax exempt if you need to get any donations or supplies for your committee email Dawn Clappas/Dawn Dewey for a copy of the form needed.
- Expenses for the month: SEE REPORT
- Income for the month: SEE REPORT

**Committee Chairs:**

**Apparel Sale: Heather Hatten** ([heathermhatten@gmail.com](mailto:heathermhatten@gmail.com))

- Will discuss with Heather and the other ptos if it's possible to do an apparel sale. We will need to figure out where to order from, where to sort, and how to deliver. Maybe use someone's garage or Amherst Eagles for sorting. May be able to get approval for curbside pick up at AJH. Possibly using the cafeteria to set up. May not be able to get it done before the holidays. Pick up may not be until Jan.

**Box Tops: Nicole Matthews** ([nmatthews01@gmail.com](mailto:nmatthews01@gmail.com))

- Will be done electronically by customers scanning and submitting receipts.

**Community Support, General:**

- Link your Giant Eagle card to Nord Middle School. Link 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 is split evenly between Powers, Nord, and AJH PTO's.
- Unfortunately, Giant Eagle is discontinuing its school program.

**Community Support, Donation Drives: Lauren Price** ([laurenprice511@gmail.com](mailto:laurenprice511@gmail.com))

- Will not be able to do in school, but we will pick a few charities to publicly support.

**Dances: Dana Satmary, Cheryl Miller** ([danaz@live.com](mailto:danaz@live.com)), ([cherylmiller@roadrunner.com](mailto:cherylmiller@roadrunner.com)) Will not be able to hold a Fall dance. Will have to see how things are doing to see if we can have a Spring dance.

**Hospitality: Dana Satmary** ([danaz@live.com](mailto:danaz@live.com))

- Fall conferences will be virtual. We will look into renting a food truck for the Oct 8th conferences. This is the best Covid safe option.

**Membership: Dawn Clappas** ([dclappas@gmail.com](mailto:dclappas@gmail.com))

- Membership totals so far:
  - 17 families and 9 staff.

**Walk a Thon:** Will not be able to hold in the Fall. Will revisit later.

**Social Media: Nicole Matthews** ([nmatthews01@gmail.com](mailto:nmatthews01@gmail.com))

- If you need anything added for your committees please let Nicole know and she will get it on Facebook and Twitter.

**Other Business:** none

Next AJH PTO meeting will be **Oct 2nd @ 9am via zoom**

**Meeting adjourned:** 10:00am