

Lancaster PTO Meeting Minutes
September 12, 2006

Call to Order: 6:55 PM

Welcome and Introductions: Paula Castner, Bonnie Cook, Lynne Cormier, JoAnn Curley, Darlene Dulchinos, Rita French, Pam Harris, Wendy Hyma, Patti Linenkemper, Kathy Linton, Sheila Milioto, Kellie Morin, Betty Ogborn, Raksha Patel, Venu Reddy, Paula Rhoades, Scott Rossley, Dana Winsmann, Donna Wood.

Program Updates and New Events:

Treasurer's Report-Lynne Cormier

PTO Balance: Outstanding requests: \$15,867.03
Available cash: \$10,626.02

Auction-Paula Rhoades

The auction will be held at the Four Point Sheraton in Leominster on Friday, November 17th. The tickets will be \$15, and must be purchased in advance. A table can be reserved with purchase of 10 tickets. Call Paula Rhoades with items to be donated.

Presentations:

New PTO Website

The new PTO website is www.lancasterpto.net
Various forms are available on the website.

Requests/Discussions/New Business

Thank you's-Paula Rhoades

Paula read a thank you note from the Andrew Foster scholarship winner, Stephanie Burse and a thank you note from the Lancaster Preschool for the Discovery Museum trip.

Mr. Rossley thanked the PTO for the band trip to Canobie Lake Park and the shirts.

Nashua River- 4th grade team

JoAnn Curley requested \$1500 for the Nashua River trip for 4th grade (Oct. 3rd) and 3/4 multi age group (Oct. 6th). \$1500 was approved.

Red Ribbon Week-Paula Rhoades

Paula Rhoades requested \$250 for color changing pencils for elementary school students to celebrate being drug free. \$250 was approved.

Cultural Enrichments-Paula Castner/Wanda Hill

Final list of Cultural Enrichment programs was distributed to all present. Total of seven programs are scheduled. Total cost is \$8200 which was already approved at the end of last school year.

Fundraiser-Paula Castner/Rita French

Idea of Sudoku Tournament was presented by Paula Castner and Rita French. It would also involve the older students from Middle School and the community. Potentially low cost with business sponsors. Paula C. and Rita were asked to present a condensed version of information at a future meeting.

Family Photos- Rita French

Gina Lovoi has offered family photos again to the families of Mary Rowlandson and Luther Burbank. It would be only for one day (tentatively, Saturday, Sept. 30th.) Would one day be enough? If not, perhaps Molly Baxter from Classic Photography can offer a different day to make sure everyone interested is included.

Rita will check with Molly.

Mother/Son Night-Rita French

Tentative date for the Mother/Son night is Friday, March 30th. Rita French will check with Molly Baxter (Photographer) and DJ, Al Barese for availability on Mar. 30th.

Halloween Party-Paula Rhoades

Halloween Party at the Middle School will be held on Saturday, Oct 21st, 7-9 PM. Paula Rhoades requested, on behalf of Sandi Trueblood, \$300 for supplies, if needed. \$300 was approved.

Bylaw Committee

Brian Burke was not able to attend tonight's meeting. He will be at the next Bylaw Committee meeting. Paula Castner distributed the minutes from the previous committee meetings. The bylaws will be reviewed section by section. Each section will then be brought to the PTO meetings for PTO member review and discussion.

Other

Wendy Hyma thanked the PTO for the Middle School book sales in June. 212 books went home and \$342 went to the library.

Next Meeting Date: October 10, 2006

Adjourn: 7:58 PM