Lancaster PTO Minutes January 10, 2008

I. Call to Order: 6:55 p.m.

II. Welcome and Introductions:

Tracey Atkins, Lynn Burke, Paula Castner, Rita DiStefano, Julie Fay, Pam Harris, Tonia Hicks, Susan LaBossiere, Liz Leonard, Sheila Milioto, Patti Linenkemper, Susan Munyon, Roni Nagle, Betty Ogborn, Raksha Patel, Melanie Spallone

III. Treasurer's Report-Sheila Milioto for Lori Newton Available cash: 25,731.45

IV. Program Updates:

Family Fun Night Summary—Lynn Burke The event raised about \$3700.

Scholastic Book Fair Summary—Melanie Spallone

\$7700 in sales. \$2300 will go to the school library

Summer Camp Guide Summary—Lynn Burke

The plan is to solicit ads from camps, and other children's activity businesses, local restaurants etc. The guides will be given to the families free of charge. We can sell to the community at various events. Still looking for volunteers to help coordinate. We will be sending out flyer and email to the families to gather information.

Penny Wars—Paula Castner

Middle school raised \$300.83. The winning classrooms are deciding on charities to donate the money.

V. New Business/Programs:

Mother/Son Event—Roni Nagle

Roni is planning a bingo night with Meredith Sousa. They will try to get the 5th grade parents and students to help run the event. They would help with the refreshments, set up etc.. Tentative date is Friday, Feb. 29th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. It was suggested that perhaps we can charge \$5 per family. They would be given the book of bingo cards. Extra cards would be \$2. There would be prizes for the winners. Proceeds could go towards Nature's Classrooms for next year. This would motivate the 5th graders to attend and help. It would be their gift to the 4th graders. Requesting amount not to exceed \$325 for printing bingo booklets and prizes. Approved. It was also suggested that if we charge for this event, we should also charge for the Daddy/Daughter Dance.

Wii Tournament—Lynn Burke and Tonia Hicks

A fun family event to be held on a Saturday. Still looking into getting the Wii consoles. We would have to check if they would work with the school t.v.'s

VI. Funding Requests:

Daddy/Daughter Dance—Raksha Patel for Lori Grasso

Requested \$525 for DJ and decorations. Approved.

VII: Miscellaneous:

Sue LaBossiere suggested that we can publish a cookbook containing recipes collected from staff and parents. There was one published 5 years ago and was popular. Sue will talk to Gail Sticklor, who organized the last cookbook.

Dream Dinners: Roni Nagle is offering a fundraiser through Dream Dinners. For each new client, they will donate \$10 to the PTO.

Lip Sync dates have been changed to April 3rd and 4th. Rehearsals start on Feb 1st. Also, Lynn Burke has researched less expensive key chains that we can give the kids. We can put their pictures on the keychain.

Paula Castner had a fundraiser idea: Chili or chowder cook-off. Have the restaurants donate foods. Testers decide who has the best food. Parents can cook also.

VIII. Next Meeting: February 13, 2008 at 6:45 p.m.

Adjourn: Adjourned at 7:55 p.m.