Lancaster PTO Minutes November 8, 2007

I. Call to Order: 6:50 p.m.

II. Welcome and Introductions:

Vicky Bearce, Lynn Burke, Kelly Cassidy, Annie Chagnon, Bob Connor, Rita French, Pam Harris, Tonia Hicks, Susan LaBossiere, Patti Linenkemper, Julie MacDonald, Valerie McGregor, Beth McNally, Sheila Milioto, Susan Munyon, Lori Newton, Valorie Parent, Raksha Patel, Elaine Perkins, Melanie Spallone, Diane Tenen.

III. Treasurer's Report—Lori Newton

Available Cash: \$18,266.35

IV. Program Updates:

BJ Fund Raiser Ending summary—Sheila Milioto Made \$265 from the program. There were 53 renewals Genevieve's Fund Raiser Ending Summary—Raksha Patel The sales were approximately \$10,000. PTO would get close to \$5,000.

Note From Home Summary—Susan Munyon

Made \$138 from the sales of note pads.

Family Fun Night—Lynn Burke

To be held Saturday, December 1st

Will need help with getting donations from businesses, tickets, posters, and advertisements.

Andrew Foster Scholarship-Bob Connor

Brought in the Larry Bird autographed basketball along with the Certificate of Authenticity. Will put up posters in schools and leave some tickets at the office for sale. Will have the form placed in the newsletters. Need to decide on the drawing date. Discussed putting an ad in the paper and on the local cable network

Casino Night—Elaine Perkins

Elaine checked with a casino company and it seems to be a large undertaking for the PTO. Also, the cost can run up to \$3500. Facility is additional money. Members voted to not hold the event.

Box Tops for Education—Vicky Bearce

Mailed in the box tops and will receive a check for \$914.20.

V. New Business/Programs:

Shaw's Receipts Reward Program—Raksha Patel

Shaw's will send us back 1% of total register receipts that we send in. They can be dated after Jan. 30, 2007.

VI. Funding Requests:

Lip Sync—Annie Chagnon

Will have paperwork for participation in December. When she has the number of participants she will have a better idea of how much money to request. Will need money for keychains. Last year she requested \$1000 but used only \$750. The proceeds from the sale of DVD's will go to the media department. Would like to charge \$5 per ticket. Shows would be held on Thursday night for grades 4-5 and Friday night for grades K-3. Asked that PTO pay for 6 DVD's for Annie, Principal and Assistant Principal.

Pictures: PTO pays for printing cost, usually .25 cents. Charge \$2 for 4x6 picture. Pictures will be taken with Annie's digital camera.

Printer: will use same printer for tickets as last year. Cost about \$50.

Scholastic Book Fair—Melanie Spallone

Requested \$4 per student. Each student gets a book. Requested \$2000. Approved. Also, there is a One for the book program where Scholastic Books will send a book for each dollar donated by the parents. Books will also be donated to several charities.

Also, do we want to hold a book fair in spring for 2 or 3 days? The library would get extra \$250. Could we do it during the Parent Teacher conferences March 27th?

Spelling and Geography Bees (grades 4-8)—Raksha Patel for Pat Perkins.

Requested \$300 for the prizes. Approved. Geography Bee-Dec 10th Spelling Bee-Jan. 7th.

Walk for Education summary and Request—Lynn Burke Made close to \$8000. Requested \$200 for prizes. Approved.

Nutcracker Perfomance in Sterling—Kelly Cassidy Requested \$250 for 1 bus to the performance for 4th and 5th grade Link Special Ed students. Approved.

VII Miscellaneous:

Holiday Books—Vicky Bearce Presented Holiday Book ideas. Brought samples of books and raffled them.

VIII Next Meeting: December 13, 2007 at 6:45 p.m.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.