

**Loudon Elementary School
PTA Meeting
January 3, 2008**

In attendance: Christine Campbell, Sue Kowalski, Sharon Graham, Jenn Becker, Leah Starr, Tom Laliberte, Amanda Masse, Julie Barker, Jaylee Cohen, Suzanne Eastman, Susan Gelinas, Jennifer Pfeifer, Cindy Labonte, Melissa Matthews, Lynn Bouchard, Kim Therrian, Beth Mulleavey, Alicen Twardosky, Cathy Klapproth.

Art Reflections Program

- Sue Kowalski will send out a notice to participants that artwork is due on Friday, January 11. 34 students requested applications for 64 entries.
- Exhibit is January 24, 6-8 pm. Sue Kowlaski and Alicen Twardosky will prepare special invitations to be sent to the families of participants. A flyer will be sent home with all students.
- Jenn Becker will purchase \$20 Michaels gift certificates for the winners. There will be a maximum of 12 winners if there are entries in all categories in both age levels. The expenditure will come from the miscellaneous expense line of the budget.
- It was agreed the PTA would purchase refreshments of cheese and crackers and fruit platters. Mr. Laliberte asked that no sugary drinks be served to save possible messes on the gym floor. Tasker Landscaping will be approached to see if they would like to sponsor the event and cover the cost of food.
- Christine Campbell will look into whether the school has table skirts, It was noted that inexpensive ones can be purchased. There was discussion of how to display the artwork and videos. It was decided that display needs will be determined once the artwork is submitted.
- It was decided that thank you cards would be sufficient for the judges.
- Amanda Masse and Christine will prepare judging sheets and will prepare winning entries for the transportation to state competition by Feb 1.

**Sock Hop-Friday, February 15, grades K-2 - 5:30-7:00 pm,
grades 3-5 - 7:30-9:00 pm,**

- Sharon Graham will confirm Dave Graham will DJ.
- Because the event will be in the gym there is no need to limit numbers. Although, sufficient chaperones will be required.
- Sue Kowalski will prepare and send out the flyer. Tickets will be sent out to those who register. The flyer will indicate that chaperones are needed but younger siblings are not allowed for safety reasons. Also, the flyer should be clear about decorating socks for the contest, and encourage casual clothes.
- Water will be served in plastic cups. No other refreshments.
- Prizes for the sock contest will be \$5 Border gift certificates again.
- It was suggested that more glow necklaces be ordered than last year. It was also suggested that the best price might be found on ebay. Jenn Becker will place the order.

Easter Egg Hunt

The date was set for Saturday, March 22. It will be held on school grounds again, now that construction is complete. Julie Barker volunteered to chair this event.

Treasurer's Report: Jenn Becker indicated the financial statement, which showed an adjusted balance of \$13,572.81. The holiday events netted: movie night \$925.30 and Santa's breakfast \$2455.38.

Jenn also asked the PTA to vote to adopt a conflict of interest statement required for the financial report to the Charitable Trust Unit of the Attorney General's Office. It can later be added to the PTA by-laws. The annual report filed with the Attorney General's office is due by 1/15 but it should be noted that the due date will be 11/15 in coming years. This change is due to an outdated fiscal year end date on file with the AG's office. Alicen Twardosky moved to adopt the statement, Cindy Labonte seconded it.

The February PTA Meeting, Thursday Feb. 7th, will consist of a short business meeting and then MVHS Guidance Counselor Mitch Taranow will speak about Early College Planning for Parents of Grades K-8. This is a presentation that was scheduled for early December but was cancelled due to snow.

There will be no PTA meeting in **March** due to the Merrimack Valley School District's Annual Meeting.

The next regular meeting of the PTA will be Thursday, **April 3**, 6:30 pm.