

**Loudon Elementary School
PTA Meeting Minutes
October 5, 2006**

In attendance:

Cindy Labonte	Jenn Becker
Christine Roy	Laurie Hardt
Kim Shields	Julie Barker
Tom Laliberte	Beth Mulleavey
Misty Richard	Sharon Graham
Cecile Merrill	Amanda Masse
David Graham	Susan Kowalski
Christine Campbell	

Treasurer's Report – Christine Campbell reported in Michelle Drago's absence. The PTA needs to raise \$4385 to meet expected expenses.

Fall Fundraising - The Fundraising Committee reported. They recommended the Genevieve's catalog fundraiser for the fall because it is a good moneymaker and easy to manage. The membership voted to use the main catalog with the calendar insert. Selling is to begin the week of 10/16, delivery expected December 6. Julie Barker will send fundraising permission slips home.

Uncle Jerry's T's and towels was discussed as a spring fundraiser. No vote taken.

Holiday Events – The results of the survey were discussed. People tended to want to keep to tradition but were also supportive of the Polar Express Night. The membership decided to offer Santa's Breakfast in the same format on December 9, 8:00-10:00 am, with the addition of the cookie walk. Cindy LaBonte and Laurie Hardt will chair the event but someone is needed to organize the raffle. Sue Kowalski will send out an e-mail requesting help. It was suggested the craft fair idea be put off until the spring, that it would be too much to combine it with Santa's Breakfast. A cookie walk would be added to Santa's Breakfast.

The membership voted to hold the Polar Express Night on Friday, December 1, 6:00-8:30 pm. Crafts for the children would be included at this event since the traditional Christmas craft class will not be held. It was suggested the price be \$5 per child and \$10 max per family. It was also suggested a different movie or game area be offered for older children. A committee, chaired by Christine Campbell, was formed to work out the details of the event.

Halloween Party – October 28, 4:00-7:00 pm, NHIS – NHIS staff have set up a different schedule this year for decorating for the party. Volunteers contact Diane at 783-4744 at NHIS and let her know the best time for them to come in the week prior, 10/23-27. They also are in need of props and ideas for the haunted house. Volunteers are needed

the night of the event to man booths. Sue Kowalski will send out a notice about the party, the need for volunteers and separate note for the haunted house help. Christine Campbell will ask three community members to serve as judges.

Other PTA Activities for the Year – The membership discussed holding a sock hop, a Valentines dance, Valentines flower sale, and a winter carnival during the winter months. It was suggested the PTA schedule another Monarchs Game night. It was successful where the Fisher Cats night was not. These activities will be discussed further at the November meeting.

American Lung Association's Children's Fun Pass – The PTA supported selling these coupon books as a fundraiser in January. The books sell for \$25 with \$5 going to the PTA. The books contain several coupons to New England children's attractions.

Spirit Days – It was decided that Spirit Days (students pay \$.25 to wear a hat and \$.25 for popcorn) are best held on the Friday before vacations. So they will be held December 22, February 23 and April 20.

Loudon Old Home Day - The membership voted to re-institute the silent auction fundraiser at next year's Old Home Day.

National State PTA Conference –The membership voted to cover the \$25 registration fee for board members who attend.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 2, 6:30 pm.