

1 Welcome / Dinner.....Phil Johnson, President

2 Call to Order / Meet and GreetPhil Johnson, President

Vice President Lisa Handfield called the Regular Meeting of the LES PTA to order at 6:35 PM. All executive board members were present except President Phil Johnson was delayed.

3 Approval of MinutesTom Boone, Secretary

Motion to accept the minutes of the January 7, 2008 Regular Meeting of the LES PTA was moved by Aimee Spedaliere and seconded by Sandra Spedaliere. There was no discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

4 Report of the Treasurer.....Joy Occhialini, Treasurer

Treasurer Joy Occhialini discussed that she and past treasurer JoAnne Mackewicz are actively working to migrate the financial data. There is no report at this time. It is expected that at the March meeting there will be a complete report.

5 Principal's Report/Parent's Advisory Forum.....Sandye Simon, Principal

Principal Sandye Simon reported that on January 28 the school received 2 certificates and banner from American Diabetes for raising the 3rd highest fundraising amount. The children enjoyed a wonderful speaker regarding Martin Luther King, Jr.. The School Budget was presented to BOE last Tuesday. The complete presentation will be on the local cable channel, a copy of the presentation is displayed in the hallway outside of the teacher's lounge, and it will also be posted on the Lebanon School's website. The budget presented represents, no additional people. The requested 7% increase represents nothing new (status quo). Other things that are out of the budget include no new computers (replace 5 years or older typically). Urge people to share this information with other parents and to participate in the meetings

Coming up in February is the read-in on Thursday Feb 28. The Spirit Week theme this year is "Blast off with a Good Book".

6 Faculty Representative.....Gayle Solari

Gayle Solari reported that the school was able to purchase replacement DVDs and other things to support curriculum areas through a Walmart Teacher of the Year award.

7 Committee Reports

4th Grade Celebration.....Barbara Starr

No report

Bailey's Garden.....Jim Shifrin

No report was provided however Principal Sandye Simon went to Bailey's Garden Art Show. It was fun, but basically broke even. The next event is the Fun Run which has not been scheduled yet.

Book Cart.....Open

No report

Book Fair.....Sandra Spedaliere

Chairperson Sandra Spedaliere reported that the theme for the spring Book Fair will "Reading Road Trip", with a focus on things to be done on road trip. The fair will be held on 3/27 and 3/28 with setup and teacher review on 3/26.

Board of Education / Board of Finance.....Suzanne Yeo

Chairperson Suzanne Yeo reported that the BOE will discuss the budget on February 12, at 7:30. This budget is barely holding our own. In dollars per pupil, Lebanon ranks 166, out of 169. In salaries, Lebanon ranks 108 out of 111 in K-12 schools. For benefits Lebanon ranks 105 out of 111, and for classroom funding, 108 out of 111. If the school board decides to cut anything before the BOF, then the school will have to make some very significant program cuts.

The good news, however, is that the test scores are going up.

Box Tops for Education.....JoAnne Mackewicz
Chairperson JoAnne Mackewicz reported that a check received was received for a deposit from last May (\$500).

Campbell's Labels.....Sandra Spedaliere
Chairperson Sandra Spedaliere reported receiving 4,110 labels, with an extra 500 bonus from Campbell's leaves us with a 10,890 balance. Keep UPCs coming. 5,640 to go for the next bonus.

Childcare.....Holly Harakaly
Chairperson Holly Harakaly reported that we have 2 childcare providers tonight.

Family Events.....Open
No report and still looking for a chairperson.

Health and Safety Fair.....Carrie Goins
Chairperson Carrie Goins reported that she is receiving no good responses from anyone, neither parent volunteers nor participating organizations. Thoughts are to move the health and safety fair to October 18th. Carrie needs MUCH more help.

Professional Programs.....Kathy Jordan
No report

PTA Membership.....Lisa Verizzi
Chairperson Lisa Verizzi reported that we have 33 members.

Publicity.....Tom Boone, Secretary
Secretary Tom Boone reported that articles are due by Friday for the next Newsletter on February 15th.

Spirit Week.....Dawn Comeroski
Principal Sandye Simon reported about spirit week earlier.

Sunshine.....Liza Verizzi
Chairperson Lisa Verizzi reports nothing new, but something in the works for valentines day.

T's and Sweats.....Dawn Comeroski
No report

8 Fundraising

Amy Shaw reports that the Butter Braid fundraiser will be held in February with delivery by Easter

SCRIP.....Phil Johnson, President
President Phil Johnson reported that SCRIP sales are slow. He did not have the chance to do the financial assessment yet. This past month had about \$300 for sales. Next newsletter will have an article regarding SCRIP.

Worthington (Wrapping Paper).....Open
Beth Pavlich will be the chairperson for this fundraiser in the fall.

9 Old Business.....Phil Johnson, President

Nominating Committee.....Tom Boone, Secretary
A nominating committee of Lisa Verizzi, Laurie Blanch and Tom Boone has been formed to identify nominations for the 2008/2009 LES PTA Executive Board. Job descriptions are available on the table tonight and are documented within the LES PTA ByLaws found on the LES PTA Website (www.les-

pta.org). Please contact the nominating committee (nominating@les-pta.org) if you are interested in any of the Executive Board positions.

Polar Plunge.....JoAnne Mackewicz
Chairperson JoAnne Mackewicz reported that the "Polar Party" is scheduled for Friday March 14th.

10 New Business.....Phil Johnson, President
CDs for the Arts need to be renewed in March. The funds are slated for use with the School stage once the Certificate of Occupancy is completed.

A motion to renew the CDs for the Arts for a 6 or 9 month term depending upon the rate was moved by Sandra Spedalieri and seconded by Aimee Spedalieri. There was no discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Bylaws committee.....Tom Boone, Secretary
Secretary Tom Boone reported that a By-laws committee need to be formed to review the PTA By-laws and report their recommendations for changes back to the membership for a vote. The By-Laws committee will be made up of Vice President Lisa Handfield and Holly Harakaly. The committee will review and report next month.

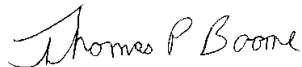
11 Announcements/Questions.....Phil Johnson, President

Upcoming Events

Date	Time	Program	Location
Fri, Feb 8th	3:30 PM	SCRIP Order	LES Café or Phil Johnson
Fri, Feb 15th	3:30 PM	SCRIP Pickup	LES Café or Phil Johnson
Mon, Feb 18th - Fri, Feb 22nd		LES School Vacation	
Mon, Mar 3rd	6:30 PM	LES PTA Regular Meeting - Bring a Friend	LES Café

12 Adjournment (awarding of Door Prize).....Tom Boone, Secretary
With no further business a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 PM was moved by Sandra Spedalieri and seconded by Aimee Spedalieri. There was no discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectively Submitted,



Thomas Boone, Secretary