## February 9, 2006

Attendance: Lisa Schmalz, Trish MacDonald, Erin Magee, Pat Harvey, Karen Bedell, Jean Filer, Lex Bundschuh, Marie Degulis, Alison Ferrell, Cindy Ullrich, Tammy Campbell, Marie Kopf (12)

Treasurer's Report: See attached

By-Laws: Lex Bundschuh will look into changing the existing by-laws that currently allow two year consecutive term limit. Lex will investigate if our PTSA can add "unless no other candidate is available" allowing volunteers to possibly remain in a position for more than 2 years. We will vote on changes in April.

Staff Appreciation: A dessert buffet will be served to the staff on Valentine's Day! Originally \$100.00 was budgeted for this great event. Trish MacDonald made a motion to increase the amount from \$100.00 to spend up to \$125.00, seconded by Cindy Ullrich. All were in favor, the motion passed.

Landscaping project grant: Marie Degulis gave an update on the garden project that is being created in the back of the school. Marie was investigating a grant sponsored by Lowe's. The grant is due March 16, 2006. Money from the grant could be used to start the next phase of the garden project, or possibly be used to design murals for the auditorium. Marie has been in contact with Mr. Kelley and the Art Club. It was also suggested that the Green Group may be able to help with the design. Gateway to Education was suggested as a name for the project!

S-Team: Jean Filer will once again write the letter that will be mailed to Hollis and Brookline families. The letter is scheduled to be mailed in mid March. The mailing list does not have to be updated this year since it was last done in 2004. Pat Harvey will collect the donations from the Post Office Box.

Lasagna Dinner: In past years the PTSA has sponsored a lasagna dinner in coordination with the Spring play (How to Succeed in Business Without Trying). The PTSA will not sponsor the dinner this year due to lack of ticket sales last year.

Request for Speaker: Alice Buckner sent the PTSA an email suggesting guest speakers for our parents. Lex will invite Alice to join our meeting in April so she can give more details.

Audit: The yearly audit of the PTSA finances was completed on December 8, 2005 by Donna Cormier, Diane Bonta and Pat Harvey.---THANKS girls!!!

Coffee at Town Meetings: The PTSA will once again sell coffee and cookies at the Town Meetings in March. Karen Bedell will once again organize this event! THANKS!!

Parent Education Series: Because of the recent publicity of the next education series (How to talk to your kids about sex) the PTSA felt it should hire a police officer to be present the evening of February 15, 2006. Erin Magee made a motion to spend up to \$200.00 for the officer, seconded by Trish MacDonald. All approved, the motion passed. THANKS to Pat Marquette who has worked very hard organizing these educational series!!

Minutes: Trish MacDonald made a motion to accept the minutes from October, December and January, seconded by Erin Magee. All approved, the motion passed.

The next meeting will be March 9, 2006 at 7pm. Because this is the night of the Co-op meeting we will meet in the lobby of the high school gym.

Meeting adjourned 8:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted Lisa Schmalz