Present: Teri Moriva (President), Amber Bennett (Vice President), Briana McCarthy (Secretary), Kari Sanborn (Treasurer), Lisa Beeman, Laurie Valley, Darla Grenawalt, Karissa Wendt, Karen Strand-Conroy.

Call to order: 6:03 p.m.

Briana read the minutes of Nov. meeting. Karen motioned to approve, seconded by Laurie. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was read by Kari. Amber motioned to approve, seconded by Karen. Motion carried.

Corporate sponsors: No update

Should we do Sentry receipts? We have some, so as long as Laurie is willing to do it, we will.

Spirit wear: We made a profit of about $\$ 569$.

Smencils: We are selling Smencils for the first time. They are holiday scents and will be for sale on Friday, Dec. 16, for \$1 each.

Trunk or Treat update: Our expenses were around $\$ 500$, so we made around $\$ 1,156$.
Suggestions: People would like to see more games.
People would like to see more cars participate in the Trunk or Treating part.
Consider having someone cater the event to change the food options. (Knute's)
Make up gift bags (including tattoos/coupons) for the kids to take home as they leave.
Amber may have a connection for the bags.

Drop and Shop Event: We have approximately 27 kids signed up so far. We are looking for volunteers and donations. We will be decorating cookies with frosting and sprinkles. There is a plan for bad weather. If there is bad weather we will cancel it and refund money.

501c3: PES possibly had a 501c3. We will check with Nikki Lutzke to find out. We do have questions still about the specifics. Teri made a motion to move forward with the process. Amber approved and Karen seconded. Motion carried.

Update on the fall fundraiser: We may do Applebee's pancake breakfast fundraiser next year. They book out very far in advance, so we may look into doing it next school year. There was discussion about the age of the volunteers working at the event. We will need to get more specifics on the fundraiser.

We sold 539 dip mixes and 988 lbs. of cheese. Our profit was about $\$ 4500$. Lisa, Teri and Kari are going to go the Decatur Dairy and pick up the cheese. It will be passed out that afternoon, from 3-7pm in the PES cafeteria.

School supply fundraiser: There is interest in doing it. Mary Paul was not there to give an update.
Master fundraiser list: There was a lot of discussion about what fundraisers other groups are doing and when they do them. There are currently other groups discussing having a master list of fundraisers so that there isn't any overlap. There was discussion about the number of fundraisers going on in our school at any given time and what reasonable. Some people thought that with the band, PTO, boy scouts, and possibly others, that there are too many. Others felt that people shouldn't feel obligated to buy. People are free to pick and choose which fundraisers to support. Some felt that a group might suffer financially because other fundraisers are going on at the same time,
yet others felt that many of the people buying from the different fundraisers aren't approached by the other groups, and therefore no groups are really suffering.

There was also talk of varying the fundraisers. It would be nice to do 2 big fundraisers and then do many free/low cost events, instead of doing many small fundraisers.

January Event: January 20 there will be a free Family Game Night. It will be run by Amber Bennett. We do need to borrow board games for the event, as the PTO doesn't own any. We should be on the look-out for games at Goodwill to get them cheap.

Viking Youth Basketball Childcare: VYBB contacted the PTO asking if we would be will to provide childcare for young kids at their day long tournaments. There are 8 total. There was a variety of discussion about this. Some felt that it would be a nice service to parents. One problem is that we don't have enough volunteers to run our own events at times, so it would be hard to find enough to work at the tournaments. It was also brought up that the PTO officers are planning a number of our own events, so no one has time to coordinate this. Karen made a motion to not take on this job, it was seconded by Briana. Motion carried.

Chris McBrian: Chris will be back to do programs at PES in Feb. He will be doing a PBIS/magic themed show for the younger grades and a leadership/magic themed show for the older grades. The PTO will be paying for this.

Easels for $6^{\text {th }}$ grade: Karen asked if the PTO would be willing to reimburse the school for paper easels that $6^{\text {th }}$ grade teachers needed. The PTO voted to pay $100 \%$ of the cost. Motion carried.

It was reminded that the grade level teachers can get $\$ 100$ and specials teachers can get $\$ 50$ from the PTO. They must attend 1 meeting or volunteer at 1 PTO event to be eligible to receive this money.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Amber, seconded by Karen. Meeting adjourned at 7:23pm.

