

**LANCASHIRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PIA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
November 12, 2008**

Meeting was called to order by Co-President Peg Maguire at 7:08PM

Welcome and Introductions

- Parents were welcomed, Faculty and Staff were introduced

Approval of Minutes from October 1, 2008 PIA Meeting

- A motion to approve was made and seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report

Mike Lennon briefly went through the budget worksheet for October 2008. A motion to accept the October Budget was made and seconded. The budget was approved by unanimous vote.

Guest Speaker- Beverly Stewart, Back to Basics

Ms. Stewart is the owner of Back to Basics. Her company assists parents in ending homework battles and setting up children with the skills to succeed academically. She discussed various homework strategies and stressed that each child/family is different. Therefore, her company works within the specific dynamics of each individual family.

Principal's Message

- Joe Corbi Fundraiser - Mr. Barry thanked those members of the PIA that ran the Joe Corbi fundraiser.
- New President - Mr. Barry commented on the historic significance of the election of the new President of the United States. Changes in federal accountability laws for education may change under the new presidency.
- Fall Festival - Thanks was given to all the volunteers who made the Fall Festival a huge success for the Kindergarten classes.
- American Education Week - Nationwide, schools would be opening their doors to parents and guardians for observation of the educational system. Visitation for Lancashire will be held on November 18th in both morning and afternoon sessions for parents to watch Lancashire's educators in action.
- Kindergarten Pow Wow - The Kindergarten Pow Wow will be held on November 21st at 9:00AM. It was mentioned that the Kindergarten feast would also be held that day.