

**Countryside PTO
General Membership Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2007**

Number in attendance: 12

**Executive Board Members Present: Maureen Sojka, Regina Vicente, Karen Brager,
Carolyn Cloud, Lorrie Donahue, Dawn McKenna, and Donna Lipski.**

The following Information was distributed before the meeting: Meeting Agenda; PTO Budget vs. Actual for 2007-2008 rev. 11/14/2007; and PTO Minutes from September 2007.

Call to Order

7:09 pm

President's Report: Maureen Sojka, Regina Vicente

Maureen Sojka & Regina Vicente welcomed everyone. Maureen Sojka advised that one class has 99% sign-up for PTO Membership. *A motion was made to supply a Pizza Party to this class. Mrs. Niedzwiecki motioned and Mrs. Dillenbeck seconded, no one opposed all in favor. Motion passed..*

Treasurers Report – Carolyn Cloud

Carolyn Cloud reported the current Account Balance – as of November 14, 2007 is \$17,946.31. *A motion was made to pass the PTO Treasurer' Report. Mrs. Niedzwiecki motioned and Mrs. Dillenbeck seconded, no one opposed all in favor. Motion passed.*

Recording Secretary – Donna Lipski

Donna Lipski presented the September 2007 Minutes. *A motion was made to pass the PTO minutes. Mrs. Donahue motioned, Mrs. DeCord seconded, no one opposed all in favor. Motion passed.*

Corresponding Secretary – Dawn McKenna

The PTO received the following correspondence: A Thank You card from Mrs. Joynt for the \$75.00 Start-up fund. Mrs. Richter for the new books received from the Book Fair Change Jar.

Principal's Report – Mr. Robert Smith

112 parents came to visit the classes. Parent conferences start tomorrow (November 15th) MAP testing scores came today, the kids did pretty well. Teachers just finished training on Responsive Classroom. Mr. Smith gave a detailed explanation on Responsive Classroom and answered questions on this new program. Family Math Night is November 29th.

Teacher Liaisons: None present

Board of Education Member: None present

Committee Reports

Box Tops – Did well.

Joe Corbi's Pizza Sale Recap/ Grandma Corbi's Cookies – made budget/ cookie orders due the 21st. Joe Clorbi's said if people want to order Pizza it is no problem. Order forms are available, if anyone needs them.

Market Day – Pick-up is at Parkway School.

Crafter Vendor Bingo- Request for tables.

Board of Education Liaison – Donald Jetter discussed the K/1st grade issues brought to the school board by some parents of Countryside students. The board approved an additional aid in one 1st grade class. No additional policy changes made by the board.

Holiday Shop – We need lots of volunteers. The kids Love it!

Barnes and Noble – there may be a problem with date and the Mt. Laurel Barnes and Noble. We will notify through email list and flyer when arrangements are made.

Fall Fundraiser – delay in getting product. This should be coming soon.

Ice Cream Social Recap– made \$279.18 in additional profit then budgeted.

Book Fair – \$1,393.75 in profit. Tip jar was matched by Scholastic and allowed us to get books for Mrs. Richter. The next book fair will allow for wish list for the teachers.

Library – Needs Volunteer for Monday mornings. Carolyn Cloud offered to assist.

Yearbook – Need pictures. Talked about the importance to get money back by due date for the yearbooks, if ordering. Otherwise much more time consuming for the volunteer collecting money because a 2nd request notice is sent to all students who did not respond.

Target – need to sign up Countryside School to get credit.

New Business

Crafter Vendor Bingo – November 16, 2007

Next PTO Meeting – January 9, 2008 – 7:00 pm

Open Discussion – Questions & comments from attendees (5 minute limit per person)

Meeting Adjourned 8:55pm