

**CARROLLTOWNE ELEMENTARY PTA**  
**MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

September 6, 2011

**UNAPPROVED UNTIL 10/6/11**

Call to Order at 7:00 pm

Approval of Minutes from 6/9/11 Membership Meeting. Motion made by Jami Karper and seconded by Michele Geidel to approve minutes. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report – Lauren Glass: reviewed Profit and Loss Actual vs. Budget July 1, 2010- June 30, 2011 and the Proposed Budget for the 2011-2012 School Year. Copies of each were available to all attendees. Proposed income was \$53,010, proposed expenses \$52,237.50 with net income/expense \$772.50. We agreed to change the math budget to \$250. A motion was made by Erica Hamilton to approve the budget as amended and seconded by Kristen Bernadzikowski. Motion approved.

President's Report- Mary Ellen O'Neill: Thank you to TJ with the custodial staff for keeping the Carrolltowne grounds looking so nice. Inquired about how parents liked getting Alert now on Sundays with an update for what was going on for the week – positive response. There was a suggestion that it be in a Word doc or PDF on the PTA website. The PTA will have a calendar that will be kept in the PTA closet in the mail crate. This will document all events and Committee chairs should update their events on this calendar. Suggested we have clubs afterschool that are run by parents. More to follow.

Vice-President's Report- Megan Graybeal: Looking forward to a great year and working with the committees. She welcomes new ideas and is excited for the PTA this year.

Secretary – Amy Young: Would like to have minutes on the PTA website before they are approved so that people still know what is going on even if they are unable to attend a meeting.

Principal's Report-Ms. Winner: Before the next PTA meeting on October 6, there will be presentation to review the Core Program. It will begin at 6:15 pm in the cafeteria.

Assistant Principal's Report: Mrs. Showers: The first field trip of the school year is 2<sup>nd</sup> grade on 9/15 to Piney Run Park.

Guest Presentation by Mrs. Tombs, Mr. Killian and Mrs. Allia on the PBIS program: this acronym stands for Positive Behavior Intervention & Support. It is a systems approach tied in with the Ruler Store and Cardinal Rulers, Positive Language, Caught You Rulers; Team-based incentive menu; Caught You Bulletin Board and School Announcements. They explained the details of this program and answer parent questions and noted that rulers cannot be taken away from students once earned.

Teacher Report- Mrs. Griffith: Thanked the PTA on behalf of the teachers for the teacher breakfast.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Birthday Books- has 7 committee members and is getting organized; and ready to start next month

Business Products – collecting Coke caps, cardboard fridge pack from Coke; save all box tops – put them in a baggie and send in to school with your child's name on the bag, Campbell labels for Education; also on Goldfish and Prego. Please sign your grocery cards for Martins, Giant, Safeway and Food Lion. Even if

you did it last year, it must be done every year. We came in second place last year to Eldersburg Elementary. We had 162 families sign up at Martins last year. Our goal is to be in 1<sup>st</sup> place this year. Starting points for Business Products as of 9/6/11: Martins: \$0.00 Box Tops \$833.00 Labels for Education 37,311 My Coke Rewards 15,900 Safeway \$0.00

Carrolltowne Connection: Hoping to have 1<sup>st</sup> newsletter out in October and would like articles to him by 10/15.

Community Service: The book drive is the end of October. The West End Senior Center drive is in December. This committee needs committee members.

Computers/Website: There is a slideshow on the PTA website. New committee chairs see Mort for updates to be added to the website.

Cultural: letters were sent to the teachers for input on assemblies 9/23 was the deadline; Mr. Bounan asked for Cosmic Adventures

Language: this committee needs a chairperson

Membership: there are classroom incentives; we have 231 members so far; chair people need to sign up

Miscellaneous Fundraisers: Yankee Candle Fundraiser will kick-off the week before Thanksgiving and will arrive before Christmas. Larry Sheets Players will be in February; Math Night – sell math games and possibly work with the Stevenson Interns

Performing Arts: parent meeting on 9/13 at 7:00 pm for Honk, Jr.

Community Advisory Council: explained purpose of committee with School Superintendent Stephen Guthrie; they meet 5 times a year and often look for feedback from parents. First meeting is 9/13.

School Sign: can use more members, get to use a ladder

School Store: need volunteers; once a month or up to every week 8:15 am-9:45 whatever you can contribute is appreciated

School Spirit: will have 2 spirit weeks this year; there will be a movie night

Volunteer Trainers: 187 people trained at Back to School night; next training at Carrolltowne is 9/26

Ways and Means: Fun Run is 9/27 and the theme is Future's so Bright I've gotta wear shades; must have \$35 for a t-shirt that was designed by art teacher, Mr. Killian; adults can order adult t-shirts; families can com; need volunteers for the day or portion of the day

Announcements: Carrolltowne Elementary was shown on the Channel 11 news story about Eldersburg being in the top 100 towns to live in the country.

Motion to adjourn at 8:32 pm by Erica Hamilton. Seconded by Renee Marsicano. Motion approved.

45 adults present at the meeting