



DIVISION OF CEBU PROVINCE

Sudlon, Lahug, Cebu City

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 337 s. 2014

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**SUBMISSION OF CONSOLIDATED REPORTS ON PTA ELECTIONS
AT THE SCHOOL LEVEL**

**To: Assistant Superintendents
Division Supervisors/Coordinators
District Supervisors/OICs
Elementary and Secondary School Heads**

1. Pursuant to Regional Memorandum No. 380 s. 2014, dated June 30, 2014, this Office reiterates DepEd Order No. 54, s. 2009 on the Revised Guidelines Governing Parents-Teachers Associations (PTAs) at the school level and enjoins all school heads to submit a Consolidated Report on the conduct of PTA Elections, which is done 15 days from the start of school year, using the enclosed template.
2. The said consolidated report and a copy of the PTA Certificate of Recognition (Enclosure of DepEd Order No. 54, s 2009 shall be submitted to the Division PTA Focal Person - Mrs. Jane O. Gurra - **as soon as possible (ASAP) or immediately**, prior to the election of Officers of the Municipal Federations, which shall be held forty-five (45) days from the start of the school year.
3. All school heads are advised to revisit DepEd Order No. 54, s. 2009 and DepEd Order No. 54, s. 2009 and DepEd Order No. 77, s. 2009 for strict adherence of the provisions specified thereof. See attached Enclosures 1 and 2.
Enclosure 1 : DepEd Order No. 54, s. 2009
Enclosure 2 : DepEd Order No. 77 s. 2009
4. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

ARDEN D. MONISIT, Ed. D.
Schools Division Superintendent



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DepED ORDER
No. **54**, s. 2009

**REVISED GUIDELINES GOVERNING PARENTS-TEACHERS ASSOCIATIONS
(PTAs) AT THE SCHOOL LEVEL**

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Directors of Services/Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Public Schools District Supervisors
Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools

I. General Policy

1. Every elementary and secondary school shall organize a Parents-Teachers Association (PTA) for the purpose of providing a forum for the discussion of issues and their solutions related to the total school program and to ensure the full cooperation of parents in the efficient implementation of such program.

Every PTA shall provide mechanisms to ensure proper coordination with the members of the community, provide an avenue for discussing relevant concerns and provide assistance and support to the school for the promotion of their common interest. Standing committees may be created within the PTA organization to coordinate with community members. Regular fora may be conducted with local government units, civic organizations and other stakeholders to foster unity and cooperation.

2. As an organization operating in the school, the PTA shall adhere to all existing policies and implementing guidelines issued or hereinafter may be issued by the Department of Education.

The PTA shall serve as support group and as a significant partner of the school whose relationship shall be defined by cooperative and open dialogue to promote the welfare of the students.

II. Organization of PTAs at the School Level

1. Membership in a PTA is limited to parents, or in their absence the guardian, of duly enrolled students, and teachers in a given school.

For this purpose, a guardian is hereby defined as any of the following: a) an individual authorized by the biological parent/s to whom the care and custody of the student has been entrusted; b) a relative of the student within the fourth degree of consanguinity or affinity provided that said relative has the care and custody over the child; c) an individual appointed by a competent court as the legal guardian of the student; or d) in case of an orphan, the individual/institution who has the care and custody of the student.

A teacher-member refers to homeroom advisers, subject teachers, and non-teaching personnel.

2. Within fifteen (15) days from the start of the school year the Homeroom Adviser and the Parents/Guardians shall organize the Homeroom PTA with the approval of the School Head.
3. The elected presidents of the Homeroom PTAs and their respective Homeroom Advisers shall elect the Board of Directors within thirty (30) days from the start of the school year. The Board of Directors shall immediately elect from among themselves the executive officers of the PTA on the same day of their election to the Board.
4. The official name of the PTA shall bear the name of the school (example: Parents-Teachers Association of Rizal High School or Rizal High School Parents-Teachers Association).
5. For representation in the Local School Board and other purposes, the schools' PTAs within a municipality or city or province shall federate and select from among the elected Presidents their respective officers. The president-elect shall sit as representative of the Federation to the said Local School Board.

III. General Assembly

1. The General Assembly shall be composed of all parents of enrolled students of the school, Board of Directors and Officers of the PTA, School Head, Homeroom Advisers, Subject-Teachers, and Non-Teaching Personnel.
2. The General Assembly shall be convened by the PTA Board of Directors immediately after the PTA has been organized. The General Assembly shall be convened as may be necessary but

in no case less than twice a year. The Board shall coordinate with the School Head as to time, venue and other details of the General Assembly.

3. The General Assembly shall be a venue for presentation and discussion of the PTA's programs, projects, financial statements, reports and other matters.
4. The General Assembly may invite or consult with other members of the community such as local government officials and civic organizations to solicit their support or active participation in school activities.

IV. Board of Directors and Officers

1. The administration of the affairs and management of activities of the PTA is vested with the Board of Directors and its officers in accordance with these guidelines or their respective Constitution and By-Laws, if any, which shall adhere to the following:
 - a. The Board of Directors shall be composed of fifteen (15) members who shall elect from among themselves the association's executive officers; namely: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, or other equivalent positions, who shall oversee the day-to-day activities of the associations;
 - b. Parent-members shall comprise two-thirds (2/3) and teacher-members one-third (1/3) of the Board of Directors;
 - c. A teacher-member cannot hold any position in the PTA except as a member of the Board of Directors or as Secretary;
 - d. The School Head shall not serve as a member of the Board of Directors but as adviser to the PTA;
 - e. The term of office of the Board of Directors and its Officers shall be one (1) year from the date of election. In no case shall a PTA Board Director serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms;
 - f. In case of vacancy in the Board of Directors as a result of expulsion, resignation or death, the vacancy shall be filled, for the unexpired term of the office, by a majority vote of the Board of Directors from among the Presidents of Homeroom PTAs in a special meeting called for such purpose.

- g. Among the committees that may be formed to handle specific activities of the PTAs are: a) Committee on Finance; b) Committee on Programs and Projects; c) Audit Committee; d) Election Committee; e) Grievance Committee; f) Ways and Means Committee; g) Committee on External and Community Affairs;
- h. The heads of the committees shall preferably come from the Board of Directors, Homeroom Presidents and Homeroom Advisers; and
- i. The PTA may or may not be incorporated with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). If incorporated, the registered entity shall, as far as practicable, be used in the organization of the PTA by the elected Board of Directors. In any event, the formal notification by the elected Board of Directors outlined below and the issuance of the Certificate of Recognition by the School Head shall be the operative act to recognize the PTA.

V. Recognition and Monitoring of PTAs

- 1. There shall be only one PTA that will operate in a school which shall be recognized by the School Head upon formal notification in writing by the elected Board of Directors. The recognition shall be valid for one year from the date of election.
- 2. Together with the formal notification in writing, the elected Board of Directors shall submit Oaths of Office of the Board of Directors and Officers (Enclosure No. 1) including a list of directors and officers.
- 3. A Division PTA Affairs Committee shall be created in the Division Office to be composed of the following:
 - Chairperson - Schools Division Superintendent
 - Members - Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
 - Division Administrative Officer
 - Division Education Supervisor (In-Charge of PTA)
 - Division PESPA President (Elementary)
 - or Division NAPSSHI President (Secondary)
 - President of the Division Federation of PTA
 - President of the Division Federation of SSG
- 4. The Division PTA Affairs Committee shall monitor the activities of the PTAs and their compliance with reports and other requirements, arbitrate disputes and settle matters that may

be submitted to it for resolution especially on PTA representation issue.

VI. Privileges of Recognized PTAs

1. A PTA is authorized to collect voluntary contributions from parents/guardian-members once it has been duly recognized and given a Certificate of Recognition by the School Head (Enclosure No. 2). Such collections, however, shall be subject to pertinent issuances of the DepED and/or existing pertinent ordinances of the local government unit concerned, if any.

2. In addition, a duly recognized PTA shall have the following privileges:

a. The use of any available space within the school premises as its office or headquarters, provided, that costs pertinent to electricity, water and other utilities shall be for the account of the PTA; provided however, that should the school need such space, the PTA shall so vacate the space immediately. The maintenance and improvement of the office shall be in accordance with the School Improvement Plan;

The DepED may allow the PTA to construct a building or structure within the school premises for its office, provided however, that the PTA shall donate such building or structure and other permanent fixtures to the school. Any improvement made on such building, structure or fixture that cannot be removed from such building or structure without causing damage thereto shall be deemed the property of the school. A written agreement shall be executed before the improvement or construction. A Deed of Donation shall also be executed by and between the PTA and the school immediately after the completion of the improvement or construction;

b. Representation in the School Governing Council;

c. Authorization to undertake fund-raising activities to support the school's academic and co-curricular programs, projects and activities subject to pertinent DepED guidelines;

d. Participation in the school's inspection and acceptance committee and as an observer in the school's procurement activities subject to the provisions of R.A. No. 9184; and

e. Collaboration in relevant school activities.

VII. Activities

All PTA activities within the school premises or which involve the school, its personnel or students shall be with prior consultation and approval of the School Head.

VIII. Financial Matters

1. Policy on Collection of Contributions

Cognizant of the need of an organization for adequate funds to sustain its operations, a duly recognized PTA may collect voluntary financial contributions from members and outside sources to enable it to fund and sustain its operation and the implementation of its programs and projects exclusively for the benefit of the students and the school where it operates. The PTA's programs and projects shall be in line with the School Improvement Plan (SIP).

Such collections shall be made by the PTA subject to the following conditions:

- a. The contributions should be a reasonable amount as may be determined by the PTA Board of Directors;
- b. Non-payment of the contributions by the parent-member shall not be a basis for non-admission or non-issuance of clearance(s) to the child by the school concerned;
- c. The contributions shall be collected by the PTA Treasurer on a per parent-member basis regardless of the number of their children in school;
- d. No collection of PTA contributions shall be done during the enrollment period; and
- e. No teacher or any school personnel shall be involved in such collection activities.

If collection of the School Publications Fee, Supreme Student Government (SSG) Developmental Fund and other club membership fees and contributions is coursed through the PTA as requested by the concerned organization, the amount collected shall be remitted immediately to the school, SSG or other student organizations concerned on the day it was collected. The pertinent organization shall deposit the funds with a reputable bank on the next banking day under the

organization's account. No service fee shall be charged against any student organization by the PTA.

Non-compliance or any violation of the aforementioned conditions shall be a ground for the cancellation of the PTA's recognition and/or the filing of appropriate charges as the case may be.

2. Safekeeping of Funds

All collections of contributions or proceeds of fundraising activities shall be deposited in a reputable banking institution as determined by the Board of Directors. The PTA's Treasurer or a duly authorized representative shall undertake the collection and shall issue official receipts/acknowledgement receipts.

In no case shall any school official or personnel be entrusted with the safekeeping and disbursement of collections made by the PTA. All disbursements of funds shall be in accordance with generally accepted accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

All disbursements shall be accompanied by appropriate resolutions indicating thereof the purposes for which such disbursements are made.

No cash advances shall be allowed without valid liquidation of previous cash advances.

3. Financial Statement Report

The books of accounts and other financial records of the PTA shall be made available for inspection by the School Head and/or the Division PTA Affairs Committee at any time.

An Annual Financial Statement signed jointly by the PTA President, Treasurer and Auditor shall be submitted to the School Head not later than thirty (30) days after the last day of classes. Such financial statement shall be audited by an external and independent auditor, posted in the PTA Bulletin Board, and presented to the General Assembly during the next school year.

The PTA shall also submit to the School Head not later than November 30, a mid-school year financial statement report ending October 30 duly audited and signed by the members of the PTA's audit committee.

Failure to submit such financial statement report shall be a ground for the cancellation of the recognition of the PTA by the

Division PTA Affairs Committee upon the recommendation of the School Head.

4. Transparency and Accountability

For purposes of transparency and accountability, all documents pertaining to the operations of the PTA shall be open to public examination.

PTA are required to install a PTA Bulletin Board outside of its office where announcements, approved resolutions, required reports and financial statements shall be posted.

IX. Prohibited Activities and Sanctions

1. PTAs are prohibited from:
 - a. Interfering in the academic and administrative management and operations of the school, and of the DepED, in general;
 - b. Engaging in any partisan political activity within school premises;
 - c. Operating a canteen/school supplies store, or being a concessionaire thereof inside the school or nearby premises, or offering these services to the school as its client either directly or indirectly;
 - d. Selling insurance, pre-need plans or similar schemes or programs to students and/or their parents; and
 - e. Such other acts or circumstances analogous to the foregoing.
2. PTA Officers and members of the Board of Directors are prohibited from collecting salaries, honoraria, emoluments or other forms of compensation from any of the funds collected or received by the PTA.
3. PTAs shall have no right to disburse, or charge any fees as service fees or percentages against the amount collected pertinent to the School Publication Fee, Supreme Student Government (SSG) Developmental Fund and other club membership fees and contributions.
4. In no case shall a PTA or any of its officers or members of the Board of Directors call upon students and teachers for purposes of investigation or disciplinary action.

5. The recognition of any PTA shall be cancelled by the Division PTA Affairs Committee upon the recommendation of the School Head concerned for any violation of the above-mentioned prohibited activities and these Guidelines.

Thereafter, the School Head may call for a special election to replace the Board of Directors of the PTA whose recognition was cancelled. Criminal, civil and/or administrative actions may be taken against any member or officer of the Board of the PTA who may appear responsible for failure to submit the necessary annual financial statements or for failure to account the funds of the PTA.

X. Transitory Provision

Existing and duly recognized PTCAs and its Federations shall no longer be given recognition effective School Year 2009-2010. They shall cease operation at the end of School Year 2008-2009 and given until June 30, 2009 to dissolve, wind up their activities, submit their financial reports and turn-over all documents to the School Heads and Schools Division Superintendents, respectively.

XI. Repealing Clause

All existing DepED Memoranda, Orders and other administrative issuances of similar nature which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby deemed repealed and superseded accordingly.

Strict implementation of this Order is directed.



JESLI A. LAPUS
Secretary

Encls.: As stated
Reference: DepED Order: No. 23, s. 2003
Allotment: 1- -(D.O. 50-97)
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
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| SCHOOLS | TEACHERS |

**GENERAL PARENTS-TEACHERS ASSOCIATION
OF _____ SCHOOL**

OATH OF OFFICE

I, _____, of
_____, having been elected as
member of the Board of Directors and/or to the position of
_____, do hereby solemnly swear that I will faithfully
discharge, to the best of my ability, the duties of my present
position; that I have read and clearly understood, and I will abide
by, the guidelines governing the Parents-Teachers Association
and such issuances by the Department of Education; that I will
obey all legal orders promulgated by duly constituted
authorities; and that I impose this obligation upon my self
voluntarily, without mental reservation or purpose of evasion.

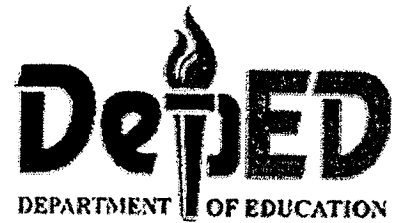
So help me God.

Signature

Administering Officer



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Region _____
Division of _____
_____ School



Certificate of Recognition

By virtue of the authority vested in me as School Head, I, for and in behalf of _____ School, upon submission of the requirements of DepED Order No. 54, s. 2009, hereby recognize the Parents-Teachers Association of _____ School and its elected Board of Directors and Officers as the duly-constituted organization of parents and teachers for School Year _____.

This recognition carries with it all the rights and privileges of a duly-recognized Parents-Teachers Association as provided under DepED Order No. 54, s. 2009 and in such other issuances.

Given this _____ day of _____ 200__ at _____, Philippines.



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education



JUL 20 2009

DepED ORDER
No. 77, s. 2009

GUIDELINES FOR THE CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS OF THE PARENTS-TEACHERS ASSOCIATIONS (PTAs) AT THE SCHOOL LEVEL AND THEIR FEDERATIONS

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to DepED Order No. 54, s. 2009 on the Revised Guidelines Governing Parents-Teachers Associations (PTAs) at the School Level, the following shall be observed by public elementary and secondary schools every school year:

- a. The organization of Homeroom PTAs and election of their officers from among the parents/guardians shall be held within fifteen (15) days from the start of the school year;
- b. The election of the members of the Board of Directors (BOD) of the School PTA from among the elected Homeroom Presidents and Homeroom Advisers shall be held within thirty (30) days from the start of the school year;
- c. The election of the Officers of the School PTA from among the BOD members shall be on the same day of their election to the BOD;
- d. The election of Officers of the Municipal and City Federations of PTAs from among the Presidents of the School PTAs of all public elementary and secondary schools shall be held within forty-five (45) days from the start of the school year;
- e. The election of Officers of the Provincial Federations of PTAs from among the Presidents of the Municipal and City Federations, in case of component cities, shall be held within sixty (60) days from the start of school year; and
- f. Elections already conducted in accordance with the provisions of DepED Order No. 54, s. 2009 shall be valid for SY 2009-2010.

2. At the start of every school year, the School Head shall immediately create and convene a six (6) member Election Committee (ELECOM) for the Homeroom and School PTAs by designating the following:

- a. two (2) teachers one of whom shall be the Chairperson and the latter shall vote only in case of a tie; and
- b. four (4) parent-members.

The ELECOM shall have over-all supervision over the conduct of the elections of the Homeroom PTAs and direct supervision over the conduct of elections of the SOD of the School PTA and its Officers.

The ELECOM may promulgate and issue additional guidelines relative to the conduct of elections that are not inconsistent with this and other existing guidelines or which may hereafter be issued.

Homeroom PTAs

3. The Homeroom Adviser shall have direct supervision over the conduct of election of the Homeroom PTA officers, which election shall be by *viva voce*.

The Homeroom PTA officers, namely, President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Auditor, or other positions shall be elected from among the parent-members by a majority of those present during the election.

In case of a tie among two (2) or more candidates, a run-off election shall be immediately held only among the candidates involved in the tie until the tie is resolved. If the tie can not be resolved through a run-off election, the same shall be done by drawing of lots.

School PTAs

4. The elected Presidents of the Homeroom PTAs and the respective Homeroom Advisers shall elect from among themselves the members of the BOD of the School PTA by secret ballot.

5. The date and time of the elections of the BOD of the School PTA shall be set by the School Head taking into account the availability of all concerned provided that the periods herein are observed.

On the day of the elections, all elected Homeroom PTA Presidents and Homeroom Advisers shall gather in one place where the elections shall be held.

6. No proxy of absentee voting shall be allowed.

7. A voter can vote as many as ten (10) different parent-member candidates and as many as five (5) different teacher-member candidates to the BOD. However, only parents shall vote for their ten (10) parent-representatives to the BOD and only Homeroom Advisers shall vote for their five (5) teacher-representatives to the BOD.

In a single ballot, a vote for a particular candidate shall be counted only once. Any succeeding vote for the same candidate in the same ballot shall be considered void and shall not be counted for any candidate.

8. In case of a tie involving two (2) or more candidates for the last position/s in the BOD, a run-off election shall be immediately held among the candidates involved in the tie for the remaining unfilled slot for the BOD. If the tie cannot be resolved through a run-off election, the same shall be done by the drawing of lots.

9. The elected members of the BOD shall on the same day of their election, elect from among themselves the Association's Executive officers, namely:

- a. President
- b. Vice-President
- c. Secretary
- d. Treasurer
- e. Auditor or other equivalent functions

10. A teacher-member cannot hold any position in the school PTA except as a member of the BOD or as Secretary.

11. The term of office of the BOD and the officers shall be one year from the date of election or until a new set of BOD has been elected and qualified.

Federations

12. All duly elected PTA Presidents of public elementary and secondary schools in the municipality or city shall comprise the Municipal or City Federation of Parent-Teachers Associations.

All duly elected Presidents of the Municipal Federation of PTA and City Federation of PTA, in the case of a component city, shall compose the Provincial Federation of Parents-Teachers Associations.

13. Elections of the Federations shall be facilitated by a Public Schools District Supervisor designated by the Schools Division Superintendent in the case of municipalities and the Schools Division Superintendent in the case of cities and provinces, who shall provide the venue and observe the periods herein.

The District Supervisor and Division Superintendent or any official of the Department shall only provide logistical support and coordination. They shall not participate in or interfere with the conduct of the elections.

14. At the start of the meeting for the purpose of electing the Federation's Board of Directors (BOD), the PTA Presidents present shall first organize their ELECOM for the purpose of conducting the elections. The elections shall be in secret ballot and no proxy or absentee ballot shall be allowed.

15. In its discretion, the Municipal, City and Provincial PTA Federations may elect between five (5) to fifteen (15) members of the Board of Directors, which shall be odd in number, depending on the circumstances obtaining in the municipality, city or province.

Immediately after the elections of the Federation's Board of Directors, the BOD shall elect from among themselves its Officers.


16. In so far as practicable, the manner and process of the conduct of elections of the Homeroom and School PTAs shall be applicable during the elections of the Federations.

17. After the elections of the BOD of the Municipal, City and Provincial Federations of PTAs, the respective BOD shall inform the designated Public School District Supervisor or Schools Division Superintendent through a letter or resolution of the list of duly elected Board of Directors and Officers, which shall be certified by the ELECOM. The Public Schools District Supervisor or School Division Superintendent shall officially transmit a copy of the letter or resolution to the Municipal or City Mayor or the Provincial Governor as the case may be.

18. Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991, the duly elected President of the Municipal, City and Provincial Federation of Parents and Teachers Associations shall represent the Federation in their respective Local School Boards.

19. All existing DepED Memoranda, Orders and other administrative issuances of similar nature which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby deemed repealed and superseded accordingly.

20. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Order is directed.


JESLIA LAPUS
Secretary

Reference:

DepED Order: (No. 54, s. 2009)

Allotment: 1—(D.O. 50-97)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
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ELECTION	SOCIETY or ASSOCIATIONS
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Sheila, MP/D-TS, DM Guidelines for the Conduct of the PTAs
July 16, 2009



DepEd ORDER
 No. 83, s. 2010

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AMENDMENTS TO DEPED ORDER NO. 77, S. 2009
[Guidelines for the Conduct of Elections of the Parents-Teachers Associations
(PTAs) at the School Level and their Federations]

To: Undersecretaries
 Assistant Secretaries
 Bureau Directors
 Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units
 Regional Directors
 Schools Division/City Superintendents
 Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools
 All Others Concerned

1. Items 1a and 20 of DepEd Order No. 77, s. 2009 are to be amended and are stated as follows:

WHEREAS, Items 1a and 20 of DepEd Order No. 77, s. 2009 provide:

"1. Pursuant to DepEd Order No. 54, s. 2009 on the Revised Guidelines Governing Parents-Teachers Associations (PTAs) at the School Level, the following shall be observed by public elementary and secondary schools every school year:

a. The organization of Homeroom PTAs and election of their officers from among the parents/guardians shall be held within fifteen (15) days from the start of the school year;"

"20. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired."

WHEREAS, guardians, as defined in DepEd Order No. 54, s. 2009, are generally allowed to become members of the Homeroom and School PTAs;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to classify guardians for purposes of their officership in the Homeroom PTAs and the School Level PTAs to establish their genuine authority and responsibility pursuant to their role as substitute parents of schoolchildren in accordance with law;

WHEREAS, only court-appointed guardians provide competent evidence of guardianship with genuine and ascertainable authority and responsibility to function as substitute parents of their student-wards;

WHEREAS, there is also a need to amend Item 20 of DepEd Order No. 77, s. 2009 to conform to the nature of this issuance;



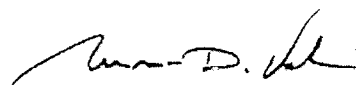
WHEREFORE, the same Items 1a and 20 of DepED Order No. 77, s. 2009 are hereby amended and shall read as follows:

"1. Pursuant to DepEd Order No. 54, s. 2009 on the Revised Guidelines Governing Parents-Teachers Associations (PTAs) at the School Level, the following shall be observed by public elementary and secondary schools every school year:

a. The organization of Homeroom PTAs and election of their officers from among the parents/court-appointed guardians of duly enrolled students shall be held within fifteen (15) days from the start of the school year;"

"20. Wide dissemination of and strict compliance with this Order is directed."

2. Immediate dissemination and strict implementation of this Order is directed.



MONA D. VALISNO

Secretary

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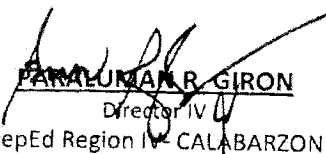
DepEd Order: (Nos. 54 and 77, s. 2009)

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT RECEIPT

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Director IV
DepEd Region IV - CALABARZON

Schools Division Superintendent
Division of: _____

District Supervisor
District of: _____

RECEIVED AND DISSEMINATED BY:

School Principal

Name of School

District: _____

Division of: _____

Information and Communication Technology Office



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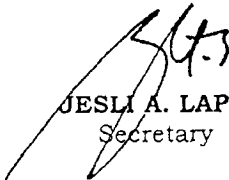
DepEd ORDER
No. 117, s. 2009

PUPIL AND STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN THE PARENTS-TEACHERS
ASSOCIATIONS (PTAs)

To: Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. The Parents-Teachers Associations (PTAs) are encouraged to involve all stakeholders in the schools to ensure effective implementation of responsive programs, projects and activities. The pupils and students, being the ultimate beneficiaries of the PTAs, should be engaged in matters that affect them. Pupils and students, as part of their holistic school learning and experience, should also be exposed to actual exercises of their civic duty in a participatory democracy and practice which is one of the key attributes in the institution of the Parents-Teachers Associations in the schools.
2. The cooperative partnership between the PTA and school-based pupil and student organizations should also be fostered in order to teach the pupils and students various lessons in good leadership, good citizenship, transparency and accountability, the same values being practiced by the PTA as an organization.
3. Pupil and student participation in the Parents-Teachers Associations is essential to strengthen channels of communication and consultative mechanism in the operations of the organization since all programs and projects of the PTA are concentrated to the development of the school for the benefit of the pupils and students.
4. In view of the foregoing, the Supreme Student Government (SSG) President, Vice-President and Secretary, the Supreme Pupil Government (SPG) Mayor and Vice-Mayor, and the Editors-in-Chief (Filipino and English) of the Pupil/Student Publication in the elementary and secondary schools representing the pupils and students and other school-based organizations shall participate in the PTA Board of Directors as Observers. They shall attend in all regular and special meetings of the PTA Board with deliberative power but without the right to vote. They shall be provided with copies of minutes of meetings, resolutions and financial reports of the PTA as provided in the transparency provisions of DepEd Order No. 54, s. 2009.
5. As such, pupil/student observers are encouraged to:
 - a. Present their programs and projects during Board Meetings in order to gain support from the PTA as an active stakeholder;
 - b. Propose and suggest programs, projects and activities which will be undertaken with the PTA in the school level;

- c. Bring to the attention of the PTA the needs, issues and concerns of the pupils and students in general and recognized school-based organizations such as SPG, SSG, STEP, YES-O, YECS, School Publication, Science Club, English Club, Mathematics Club, and Culture and Arts related clubs in particular for possible support.
6. Regional Directors, Schools Division/City Superintendents, Regional and Division PTA Coordinators, Public Schools District Supervisors and School Principals/Heads are enjoined to ensure the implementation of this Order at all levels.
7. For queries, please contact the Office of the Undersecretary for Regional Operations thru the DepEd-Center for Students and Co-Curricular Affairs at telefax nos.: (02) 631-8495; (02) 636-3603; website: www.deped-csca.com or cscaportal@gmail.com
8. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Order is directed.


JESLI A. LAPUS
Secretary

Reference:

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