



PASS CONTRACT PROPOSALS TONIGHT

An Important First Step

At tonight's house meeting, CTU Delegates will be asked to approve the contract proposals given to them at the November 9th meeting. CORE encourages delegates to pass the proposals tonight.

These proposals have been brought forth by members and CTU committees. These proposals have been turned in to the CTU PPC. The PPC in turn has worked hard to include language that represents all of our members.

We have to pass the contract proposals tonight so that the official work of

negotiations can begin now. We are under unique time lines for negotiations and CTU needs to get the ball

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proposals and get input from their members. The proposals are a lot to digest but should be easy for all of us, together, to interpret and define.

CORE encourages healthy debate on the proposals. However, these proposals must get passed tonight so that CTU can have the proper time to conduct negotiations that will benefit members best.

JOIN CORE AT CONNIE'S PIZZA AFTER THE HOD MEETING TONIGHT

CTU Teach-In on Stopping
CPS School Closings

Saturday Dec. 3

10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

King College Prep H.S.

4445 S. Drexel Blvd.

CORE General Meeting

Monday Dec. 12

4:30 P.M.

Letter Carriers Hall

3850 S. Wabash

CTU Vigil the night
before the Board of
Education Meeting

Tuesday Dec. 13

6:00 P.M.

CPS 125 S. Clark Street

Speak at the Board
Meeting against school
closings

Wednesday Dec. 13

6:00 A.M.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Join CORE at These Events

Bill Watkins Book Party - *The Assault on Public Education: Confronting the Politics of Corporate School Reform*

Friday, December 2, 2011 | 7 pm – 9 pm

5305 S. Cornell, 3rd floor (ring top bell)

Appetizers, wine, camaraderie, knowledge

CORE member and Professor William Watkins brings together some of the nation's leading scholars and activists, including Pauline Lipman, Ken Saltman, and Alfie Kohn, to explore and critique the effects of market-based policy on public-school reform in his new book. CORE is proud to sponsor a Book Party where you will have an opportunity to hear from Dr. Watkins and, if you desire, to buy signed copies of his book. The book is intended to serve as an organizing tool for supporters of genuine public education. It features an extensive critique of how corporations influence universal public education, an explanation of how wealth forges public policy, and a case study of the public school system in New Orleans.

COCKTAILS AND COMMUNITY NIGHT at Victory Gardens

Thursday, December 8, 2011 | 5:00PM

Victory Gardens Biograph Theater

2433 N Lincoln Avenue

Get the inside scoop on *Ameriville* and other upcoming shows from Artistic Director Chay Yew and learn more about how to bring the creative arts into your classroom from Education Director Robert Cornelius. Enjoy spoken-word performances by Louder than a Bomb creator Kevin Coval and students, as well as a sneak peak of the film *The People Speak* based on the work of historian and activist Howard Zinn.

Representatives from the Caucus of Rank and File Educators will be on hand to help connect teachers to additional social justice resources and events.

5:00pm - 5:30pm: Cocktails and refreshments in lobby

5:30pm - 6:30pm: Presentation

6:30pm - 7:00pm: Mix and mingle in the lobby

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