

PHACT PTA
Meeting Agenda

September 12, 2017

6:00pm

1. Welcome
2. Updates
 - a. Treasurer Report
 - b. Membership Report
 - c. Yoga
 - d. Students writing for local papers
 - e. Purchase of Podium plaque and plant/picture for entryway
 - f. Billboard- replace poster with one representing 50th anniversary of PHMHS
3. Open issues
 - a. Reflections Program-PTA sponsored program/arts competition. Need teacher involvement. Looking to coordinate with elementary schools.
 - b. Domestic Violence Inservice and/or assembly-Need to set up dates
 - c. Grant writing-PTA involvement with teachers-we have a volunteer-Need administration input
4. New business
 - a. Trunk or Treat/Movie night-10/27- Looking for volunteers to organize with 7th grade class
 - b. Family Paint Night- Looking for volunteers to help organize
 - c. Homecoming- Looking for ideas for things to do at the bonfire taking place the evening of Oct 6th.
 - d. School Lunch Week-10/9-10/14- Looking for ideas of ways to honor our cafeteria staff
 - e. Student representatives-Looking to get students (maybe from student govt) to attend meetings- Need administrative input
 - f. Washington DC trip- Kathy Freed looking for help fundraising/organizing. – Spaghetti dinner?- Need volunteers
5. Adjournment/Next meeting: October 10, 2017 (6:00pm) PHMHS Library
6. Social/networking time!

Mission Statement: To actively support Parish Hill Middle High School and the community it serves.

Working Goals:

- Membership goals –minimum of 100 (students,parents, staff, communitiy members.
- Program initiation goals-At least 2 new program
- Community outreach goals-Host at least one event in each of our 3 towns.
- Staff appreciation goals-Make sure all staff at school has a special appreciation day sponsored by PHACT PTA

Links:

<http://www.parishhill.org/resources/pto/>

<https://www.facebook.com/parishhillpto/>

<https://www.facebook.com/ParishHillPirateNation/>

Reflections Program:

"Within Reach"

Theme for 2017-2018

The National PTA Reflections program is PTA's cornerstone arts program. It was developed in 1969 by Colorado's PTA President Mary Lou Anderson to encourage students to explore their talents and express themselves. Since then, the Reflections Program has inspired millions of students to reflect on a specific theme and create original artwork. Each year, students in Grades Pre-K through 12 are recognized for bringing the theme to life through dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography and visual arts.

Students submit their artwork to Local PTAs for initial judging. In Connecticut, local PTAs submit their 1st place winning entries to the State Office. Top entries from our State PTA Reflections contest advance to National PTA for the final round of judging. National PTA awards are announced each May.

As a Local Leader of this program, you will play a critical role in promoting exploration of arts and culture in the , school and community. Students who participate in the Reflections Program may not recognize themselves as artists when they sign up—but by the end of the Reflections celebrations, they will.