

**PHACT PTA**  
**Meeting Agenda**

October 10, 2017  
6:00pm

1. Welcome
2. Updates
  - a. Treasurer Report
  - b. Students writing for local papers
  - c. Entry way redo and Plaque for podium
  - d. 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary billboard update
  - e. Domestic Violence In-service and/or assembly-date set?
  - f. School Lunch Week-10/9-10/14
3. Open issues
  - a. Reflections Program-PTA sponsored program/arts competition. –Will be looking for volunteers to help with coordination, judging, advertising, event planning.
  - b. Grant writing-PTA involvement with teachers-asked Matt Flegert to get in touch with Sherry Smarden.
  - c. Trunk or Treat/Movie night-10/27- SES will participate. Need flyers to go out (middle school working on). Need someone to ask HES and CES PTOs if they want to participate.
  - d. Family Paint Night- Shannon Haddad working with Mrs. G to have one at the school. Date?
  - e. Membership: Decide on amount. Need to do membership drive-teachers/staff/parents/community/students.
4. New business
  - a. Consider donation to Jim Shifrins Go Fund Me
  - b. Representation at elementary school conferences-now vs spring?
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.