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August 5-8, 2021

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Greetings PTA Members:

Welcome to your state convention! I hope that you are staying safe and well. Thank you for taking this time to learn and grow as a leader. Your attendance is a testament to your commitment to our PTA mission: *To make every child's potential a reality.*



I am honored to serve as the 57th national president of this incredible association that we love so much. As we approach our 125th anniversary in 2022, it fills me with pride to say that our mission work is alive and thriving in communities across the nation.

We help every child reach for the stars, we empower our families to fully engage in their child's development, we support our teachers and staff, and most importantly, we raise our One PTA voice to advocate for all of our children's needs to all decision makers.

As Mother Teresa said, "The miracle is not that we do this work, but that we are happy to do it." The coming months will provide new challenges and new opportunities, but I know I can count on all of you to meet them with PTA passion, persistence and servant leadership.

My wish for you at your state convention is to leave this experience with a renewed mindset. Use this moment to recommit yourself to this work. Be open to possibilities. Today is a chance for all of us to rededicate ourselves to the mission and work even harder to make sure that our children are successful in their schools, and that families are engaged like never before.

Please know that National PTA is here to support you every step of the way. I encourage you to explore the available resources, especially the PTA for Your Child membership campaign, at PTA.org/MembershipCampaign. Remember, we want every family in our schools to join PTA, because we can do more together than apart.

We can succeed in ensuring our children become all that they can be. Are you ready to start the work with me? I can't do it alone—so I can't wait to see what we can accomplish together, **as ONE PTA!**

Thank you for all that you do. Have a great convention!

Sincerely,

Anna King
President, National PTA

**NATIONAL PTA
PRESIDENT'S
WELCOME**



PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

Hello Michigan PTA,

I address you today for the last time as your State PTA President. Oh how the time flies when you are having fun!. I won't give you statistics but some very general idea of what has gone on during my term as president for the last 27 months or so.

First, we made a move to become independent of outside help. Sibyl started us on the journey of taking on the full responsibility of being on our own. Since then we have made several moves, Moving to a service that manages our phone calls and to a place where we can have a small office. All the time trying to straighten out our storage of files and PTA memorabilia and other items. None of this was easy but we persevered.

As I took office there were 5 elected officials. The Board of Directors has grown to 11 and manage to add to some of our Committees. We have worked through having many new Board of Directors, got them to a place they were a bit comfortable then the big "C-19" hit. Oh my goodness.

Coved has done a number on us all. Your Board of Directors came together and started finding resources and ways to conduct meetings so this Association could keep moving forward.

Thank you for allowing me to be your President and thank you to the Board for stepping up and doing their job to keep us moving forward.

May you keep "making every child's potential a reality".

Kathy Carter

Together
Everyone
Accomplishes
More



When we began to plan for our 103rd Annual Convention, we were planning two tracks - virtual and in person. We always hoped to be at a place in our country and in our state that would allow for large groups to safely gather in person, indoors by August. But as spring rolled around, the venue we were hoping to use was still unable to confirm they would be allowed to open and with what restrictions. So, we made the call to go virtual.

By choosing to go virtual for Convention, we were able to properly plan and include all of the parts of Convention we missed out on last year when we had to pivot quickly. The committee attended many other virtual PTA Conventions in other states (a perk of being virtual!) and picked up some pointers along the way. We also found a great virtual platform that California State PTA used - Whova!

As we have gotten closer to each deadline in the planning process, we know things have changed. The venues are able to open, we have seen restrictions lifted and things are returning to something we recognize as normal. One huge win with staying on a virtual track is our ability to reach you where you are. No travel time, your Saturday evening is free to spend with friends, family or your local PTA leaders, and the lower cost gives more members the ability to attend. In a world that has changed so much, our ability to connect virtually is a huge win and one we do not take for granted. We will continue to plan conventions to be inclusive in many ways - location, time commitment and cost will continue to be considered.

We have enjoyed the unique challenges a virtual event presents and gathered feedback along the way to make this Convention one to remember for sure!

Tanya Pitkin, Convention Chair



A NOTE FROM THE CONVENTION CHAIR

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Thursday, August 5

- 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 - General Session 1

Friday, August 6

- 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 - Social Hour with MiPTA Board of Directors

Saturday, August 7

- 9:30 am - 10:45 am
 - General Session 2
- 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
 - Using MI School Data and the Parent Dashboard to find information on your school
 - AIM - Why Does Your PTA Need Insurance?
 - School Funding
- 12:15pm - 1:45pm
 - Reflections and Awards
- 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
 - Developing the Next Generation of Little Allies
 - How to Raise Money and How to Spend Money
 - Making Your Mark- From Branding to Communicating
- 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm
 - Outreach, Barriers, and Resources for Kinship Care
 - Advocacy Basics
 - MemberHub for Communication and Compliance
 - Project Planning

Sunday, August 8

- 9:00 am - 10:00 am
 - Using your Online MemberHub Store and Fundraisers
 - Leading DEI: Walking the Talk
 - Facilitating Difficult Conversations
- 10:15 am - 11:15 am
 - A Timeline for Transition from Special Education to Adult Services
 - Advanced Advocacy
 - How to Find Your Replacement
- 11:30 am - 12:30 pm
 - General Session 3

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SCHEDULE DETAILS

Thursday, August 5 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

General Session 1

Sponsored By: AIM Insurance

Welcome to MiPTA 103rd Annual Convention! General Session 1 topics will include Officer Elections, Bylaw Amendments, and general business of the association including officer reports.

Friday, August 6 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Social Hour with MiPTA Board of Directors

Get to know the Michigan PTA Board of Directors through a Kahoot game and socialize with other attendees in a fun, virtual way!

Saturday, August 7 9:30 am - 4:15 pm

General Session 2

9:30 am - 10:45 am

Sponsored By: AIM Insurance

General Session 2 topics will include messages from National PTA President Anna King, Lt. Governor Gilchrist, Michigan Principal of the Year, Elen from Elena Reads, and general business of the association including officer reports, and bylaws and elections results.

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Using MI School Data and the Parent Dashboard to find information on your school

Chris will provide an overview of the Parent Dashboard, including how and why it was created. The latter part of the presentation will be a "live" walkthrough of some of the key features and highlights of the Parent Dashboard on MI School Data (www.mischooldata.org).

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

AIM - Why Does Your PTA Need Insurance?

Sponsored By: AIM Insurance

Cover your Assets. "Your event is decorated, everyone has arrived, the fundraiser is making money, everyone is happy. But then someone gets hurt and you realize that you forgot to purchase insurance...now what? What if you discover some of the fundraising money was stolen? Don't put yourself in that situation. Come to this learning workshop to find out how to protect yourself and your PTA.

AIM will discuss the liability our PTAs face, what coverages are available, and offer any guidance on what you need to do to protect yourself.

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

School Funding

The Michigan Association of School Boards' (MASB) Deputy Director, Kent Cartwright, CPA, Ed.D., and Jennifer Smith and Jeff Cobb, MASB's Government Relations staff as they cover a high-level overview of school finance.

12:15 pm - 1:45 pm

Reflections and Awards

Join us for a celebration highlighting MiPTA state award winners, scholarship recipients, Reflections award winners, and the Jan Harp Domene Diversity and Inclusion Award.

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Making Your Mark- From Branding to Communicating

Learn tips and best practices to effectively share messages with fellow PTA members, school staff and administrators, and community members. Step by step use of the MiPTA brand identity will be included along with how to tell the story and value of PTA.

Continued

SCHEDULE DETAILS

Saturday, August 7 continued

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Developing the Next Generation of Little Allies

In this highly collaborative session, inclusive leadership speaker and trainer Julie Kratz will share stories, ideas, and research from her new children's book, Little Allies. We'll discuss the importance and impact of having conversations about diversity, inclusion, and allyship earlier with the children in our lives. Julie wrote this book in response to difficult conversations about racism at home with her own daughters. Little Allies and this session are meant to be a resource to help parents and people leaders everywhere guide little ones along this journey towards allyship.

Together in this session, we'll cover:

- Why we need to talk to kids and start this conversation earlier
- What being an ally means - allyship starts at home and kids naturally enjoy diversity
- How to be an ally - Allyship is a journey, and adults are modelling it everyday
- Commitments - Little allies that write down goals are far more likely to succeed

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

How to Raise Money and How to Spend Money

It's a fact that running a PTA requires funds. PTAs provide exciting programming to their school community. We will share tips about how to raise money, and what to do with it when you have it. Time allowed for your questions and answers during the workshop.

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm

Outreach, Barriers and Resources for Kinship Care

Kinship Caregivers themselves, often don't define what they are doing as Kinship Care, which is one of many barriers in providing support and resources to this important group. They are there among the many families in a school or community and have sometimes been referred to as "hidden foster care" for children.

This presentation will provide an overview about what Kinship Care is and why is it important to understand. Beth Lindley, Director of the Kinship Care Resource Center will discuss the challenges that kinship caregivers face when caring for children. She will also provide Information about the Kinship Care Resource Center.

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm

Advocacy Basics

This session will encourage parents to become strong education advocates for K-12 students through tips on how advocacy can be made easy and effective. Participants will not only learn the tools to engage in the legislative process, but also gain skills on how to build grassroots advocacy coalitions.

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm

MemberHub for Communication and Compliance

In this session, we will cover how to track all areas of compliance for local units as well as showing different ways to communicate with parents as a PTA through MemberHub.

Topics include:

- Compliance Module Overview
- Hubs and the many features within
- Messaging/Text Messaging
- People/CRM
- Site Joins
- Main Calendar
- Directory
- Newsletters

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm

Project Planning

This session is perfect for chairpeople and committee members. You will learn how to plan a successful project, from brainstorming to final review. You will learn how to create a project plan which will lead to a successful event, and leave guidance to run the project again in the future. There will be a template for you to download and keep.

SCHEDULE DETAILS

Sunday, August 8

9:00 am - 12:30 pm

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Using your Online MemberHub Store and Fundraisers

In this session, we will cover all areas within your Memberhub Store from getting started to taking payments online and launching an amazing fundraising campaign.

Topics Include:

- Example online stores and fundraiser campaigns
- Setting up Stripe
- How to sell membership and other items like spiritwear
- Orders and reconciling your payouts from MemberHub
- Launching your public website
- What are Givebacks?
- MemberHub Fundraisers (A-thons, Auctions, Crowdfunding, Events, Raffles, Sweepstakes)

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Leading DEI: Walking the Talk

The term diversity, equity, and inclusion and its acronym, DEI, has been increasingly escalated into our social and professional circles. Courageous conversations surrounding justice, equity, diversity, inclusion, and belonging took place in book clubs, our workspaces, via ZOOM, and various digital media outlets.

However, to enact real, sustainable change, we must move beyond bookclubs, DEI-affirming social media postings, and professing that everyone must have a seat at the table. These actions are admirable and definitely needed. However, LEADING DEI involves

- Sharing opportunities with everyone
- Elevating equity
- Making Diversity an Action
- Leading Inclusively

And guess what? Realizing that no matter what your intentions or experiences might be... (Come to the workshop to discover the answer)

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Facilitating Difficult Conversations

How do you handle difficult conversations? Avoidance? Does the idea of having a difficult conversation cause anxiety? There is a way to have these conversations without stressing yourself out. Join us for a lively discussion on effectively facilitating difficult conversations.

10:15 am - 11:15 am

A Timeline for Transition from Special Education to Adult Services

Students who have IEPs and 504 plans face uncertainty when they exit the school system. In this presentation, a PTA parent who has been through the process with her child will review each step in the transition to adulthood, and will explain how to access the services available to young adults with disabilities. For a truly inclusive PTA to become a reality, we must learn to support all families in their journey.

10:15 am - 11:15 am

Advanced Advocacy

Provides a broad overview of the legislative process as it relates to education issues. Informs and educates attendees on current issues in education at the state and federal level and the importance of getting involved and being an advocate for your district.

10:15 am - 11:15 am

How to Find Your Replacement

Let's address the most universal challenge facing PTA leaders: how do we get new people interested in serving on our board? This workshop is focused on identifying practical opportunities for individual leaders and boards of directors to encourage a new generation of potential leaders. Attendees will learn proven long-term and short-term strategies, on-the-ground tactics, and pitfalls to avoid in order to welcome an enthusiastic, inclusive, and representative pool of members interested in stepping up to leadership. We'll also explore the hidden ways your board may be unknowingly sabotaging its own efforts at encouraging emerging leaders. Over the course of the workshop, attendees will use the tactics discussed to customize a strategy for their PTA in order to hit the ground running with their new knowledge.

11:30 am - 12:30 pm

General Session 3

General Session 3 topics will include Installation of MIPTA 2021-2023 officers, the transition of presidents, and closing remarks.



FEATURED SPEAKERS

Lt. Governor Garlin Gilchrist II

Lieutenant Governor Garlin Gilchrist has dedicated his career to solving problems. An engineer by training, he uses thoughtful innovation, progressive reform, and efficient modernization of policies and programs to make the work better for hardworking families. From spearheading campaigns for equality and justice to harnessing technology to solve real problems, his focus has consistently remained on serving the public and getting things done.

He brings a lifetime of experience to the task, receiving his first computer at age five and setting up a computer lab in a Detroit community recreation center using computers that he built himself at age 16. Lt. Governor Gilchrist studied computer engineering and computer science at the University of Michigan, graduating with honors, and later had a successful career as a software engineer at Microsoft, helping to build SharePoint into the fastest growing product in the company's history.

Lt. Governor Gilchrist spent the next several years of his career as a social entrepreneur and community organizer who helped people in communities across America realize their full economic and political potential. Upon returning home to Detroit, Lt. Governor Gilchrist worked in local government to make sure build systems that made the government more responsive, transparent, and accountable to city residents. This experience prepared him for a key priority: to bring Michigan's state government fully into the 21st century on every level.

As part of the Whitmer Administration, Lt. Governor Gilchrist has sought to address injustice and inequity across our state at every level. From co-chairing the Michigan Joint Task Force on Jail and Pretrial Incarceration to helping the Coronavirus Task Force on Racial Disparities, these task forces have taken actions that saved lives and protect our most vulnerable populations. Lt. Governor Gilchrist's approach to addressing these disparities is deeply rooted in fact-based practices, science, and connecting with individuals across Michigan.

Lt. Governor Garlin Gilchrist and his wife, Ellen, reside in Detroit where they are raising their twins, Emily and Garlin III, and daughter, Ruby.

Anna King National PTA President



Anna King has over 20 years of leadership experience at all levels of PTA, including Oklahoma PTA President. She was elected President-Elect of National PTA in June 2019.

At the local level, she serves as a secretary for the Douglass High School PTSA and is a Board Member of the Douglass Law and Public Safety Academy. She loves volunteering in the high school in her community and working beside the students as they use their voices for change.

Besides PTA, Anna is also involved in many community activities, she is the OK-MDA School Safety co-lead, member of the WestEd Advisory Board, and equity advisory member for the Oklahoma State Department of Education.

She and her husband Glenn are co-owners of a family mobile catering business. Anna is a dedicated and passionate child advocate and is a mother of three and proud Nana of ten. She believes everything is possible for all children and being an inclusive association is key to better serve the many families and communities across the country.

FEATURED SPEAKERS



Michael Rice, Ph.D. **State Superintendent, Michigan Dept. of Ed.**

Dr. Michael Rice was appointed Michigan's 44th Superintendent of Public Instruction by Michigan's State Board of Education in May 2019. He came to the Michigan Department of Education after serving 17 years as a local district superintendent - most recently at the Kalamazoo (MI) Public Schools, where he started full-day pre-kindergarten and quintupled the number of full-day kindergarten students; and led the improvement in student achievement in reading, writing, math, Advanced Placement participation and success, and graduation rates.

Prior to serving as Kalamazoo's superintendent, Dr. Rice served five years as superintendent of the Clifton (NJ) Public Schools. Dr. Rice began his career in public education in the Washington, D.C. Public Schools, where he taught high school French, and founded and coached an award-winning speech and debate program.

Joe Greene **Principal of the Year** **Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals**



Joe believes educators are gardeners of human potential within students and staff, devoting himself to this work in economically, racially, and ethnically diverse schools. An award winning social studies teacher for eight years, Joe carried his student-centered focus into administration, honing his instructional leadership during two years as Division Head running three departments and two years as Associate Principal for Instruction at the Illinois Lighthouse School for Rtl. Joe's work with staff yielded significant student performance, the second highest reading growth in Illinois, and 2000+ educators coming to learn from them. Over the last ten years Joe has had the honor of serving as Principal of North Farmington High School, collaborating with administrators, staff, and students to design effective learning experiences leveraging formative assessment, student voice, collaboration, culturally responsive practices, and competency based learning. This has resulted in North being named Michigan's 14th best school at preparing college graduates.

Elena is a rising eighth grader in Farmington Public Schools. She loves to read. She loves to read so much that age 9 she became a blogger, shining a spotlight on the diverse stories she's reading. At elenareads.com, she makes recommendations about books that promote diversity and inclusion. In the past three years, she's reviewed more than 175 books and has interviewed more than 60 writers, illustrators, and book lovers – including several Michigan authors and New York Times bestseller Erin Entrada Kelly, who is a 2018 Newbery Medal winner.

She's participated in the writing category of the National PTA Reflections program since third grade. In 2020, Elena was a national finalist and the first place winner for Michigan.

Elena has been featured on Fox 2 News in Detroit and on the Make Meaning podcast. Her work has appeared in the online news site Farmington Voice and in Blue Marble Review, which highlights young writers from around the globe. She enjoys sharing about the importance of diverse books in school libraries and classrooms. She was a guest speaker during a virtual assembly last year for students at Somerset Elementary School in Bellevue, Wash. and at Metro Parent Detroit's EdExpo in 2018.

Elena **Blogger, Elena Reads**



Parliamentary Chart - Ranking Motions

| | Name of Motion in order of Rank | May Interrupt | Requires Recognitions | Requires a Second | May Be Debated | May Be Amended | Vote Required Majority or 2/3 | May Be Reconsidered | Principal Purpose | Phraseology of Motion |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------------|--|---|---|
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Privileged | Fix the Time to which to Adjourn | | X | X | | X | X (M) | X | To set the time, and sometimes the place, for another meeting or continue business of the present session | I move that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet at... (time, place). |
| | Adjourn | | X | X | | | X (M) | | To close the meeting. | I move to adjourn. |
| | Recess | | X | X | | X | X (M) | | To authorize a short, immediate intermission while a motion is pending. | I move to Recess until... (or for...). |
| | Raise a Question of a Privilege | X | | | | | X* | | To permit an urgent request that rights and privileges of assembly or members be taken up at once. | I raise to a question of privilege. |
| | Call for the Orders of the Day | X | | | | | X* | | To require the assembly to conform to its agenda, program, or order of business. | I call for the orders of the day. |
| Subsidiary | Lay on the Table | | X | X | | | X (M) | | To lay the pending question aside temporarily when something more urgent has arisen. | I move to lay on the table... |
| | Previous Question (Stop Debate) | | X | X | | | X (2/3) | X* | To close debate and bring the assembly to an immediate vote on one or more pending questions. | I move the previous question. (or) I call for the previous question. |
| | Limit or Extend Limits of Debate | | X | X | | X | X (2/3) | X* | To exercise special control over debate on a pending question or a series of pending questions. | I move that the debate be limited to... (or) I move that debate be extended to... |
| | Postpone to a Certain Time | | X | X | X | X | X (M) | X | To defer action on a pending question to a definite day, meeting, or a certain event. | I move to postpone... until... |
| | Commit or Refer | | X | X | X | X | X (M) | X* | To refer a pending question to a relatively small group of selected persons to investigate or to act. | I move to refer the motion to... |
| | Amend | | X | X | X* | X | X (M) | X | To modify the wording of a pending motion before the motion itself is acted on. | I move to amend by... |
| | Postpone Indefinitely | | X | X | X | | X (M) | X* | To decline to take a position on the main question; to avoid taking a direct vote. | I move to postpone indefinitely. |
| Main Motion | | X | X | X | X | X (M) | X | To bring business before the assembly. | I move that... | |

* Consult Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised for special rules and exceptions.

RULES AND VOTING

General Convention Rules

1. Visiting, non-voting delegates shall have all the privileges of the convention except voting.

2. When delegates are unable to hear the speaker, they are to inform the Convention Committee through the Whova app in the Q&A section in order that the participants on the platform may be informed. Notifications can also be made by calling the Michigan PTA phone line at (734) 975 - 9500.

3. Messages or communications shall be conveyed through the Whova app, a phone call to the Michigan PTA phone line at (734) 975 - 9500 or by speaking with a teller on site at the Michigan PTA office. No one may make a personal communication with the Chair, except in cases of emergency.

4. Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Convention on parliamentary procedure in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not in conflict with the Michigan PTA or National PTA.

5. An alternate filling the place of an absent delegate must register at the registration desk upon arrival at Convention.

6. A Minutes Audit Committee of three persons shall be appointed by the Convention Chair. The Convention minutes shall be approved by the Convention Minutes Audit Committee and ratified by the Board of Directors at its fall meeting.

7. No exhibits, literature or materials other than those of approved by the Michigan PTA Convention Committee or its service agencies shall be displayed or distributed.

Obtaining and Using Voting Credentials

Every PTA/PTSA unit and council that has fulfilled current Standards of Affiliation (SOA) is eligible for voting credentials and should send delegates to convention. A voting credential is allotted (1) to the President and one Vice President of a Council (or their alternate), (2) to the President of a Local Unit (or their alternate) plus one additional credential for every fifty members of the unit. Additionally, Past Presidents of Michigan PTA and current Michigan PTA Board Members also are awarded voting privileges associated with their position.

You were notified ahead of the start of the Annual Convention that you are a voting delegate. Unless the President has indicated otherwise, delegates will be assigned privileges on a first-come, first-served basis.

Delegates Speaking and Voting Procedures

1. Delegates will have access to the Whova polls upon the start of General Session #1 on Thursday, August 5th at 7:00pm EDT.

2. Communication by delegates shall be conveyed through the Whova app, a phone call to the Michigan PTA phone line at (734) 975 - 9500 or by speaking with a teller on site at the Michigan PTA office.

3. All motions were proposed in writing to the chair and in a virtual meeting on June 23, 2021 on Zoom and available to all PTA members.

CREDENTIALS REPORT

| | General Session 1 | General Session 2 | General Session 3 |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Voting Delegates | | | |
| Non-Voting Delegates | | | |
| Guests | | | |
| Exhibitors | | | |
| Total Attendees | | | |

Minutes of the 102nd Annual Convention of the
Michigan Parent Teacher Association



Farmington, Michigan
Saturday, August 15, 2020
Held virtually using Zoom

10:00 a.m. The 102nd Annual Meeting was called to order by President Kathy Carter.

CREDENTIALS REPORT

Delegates as of 10:00 a.m. today, there are 59 voting delegates registered, and 22 non-voting delegates registered, For a total of 81.

Motion 1: Madame Chair, on behalf of the Credentials Committee, I move that the roll of delegates, hereby submitted, be the official roll of the voting members of the convention. Motion made by Credentials Committee (Liz Jarvis). The motion carried.

Quorum was met.

Motion 2: **ADOPTION OF CONVENTION RULES**

Madam Chair, by direction of the Michigan PTA Board of Directors, I move the Convention Rules be adopted. Motion made by Convention Chairperson (Tanya Pitkin). The motion carried.

Motion 3: **ADOPTION OF THE CONVENTION PROGRAM**

Madam Chair, by direction of the Convention Committee, I move that the printed program with provided changes become the official business in order of this Convention, with any additional changes deemed necessary by the President. Motion made by Convention Chairperson (Tanya Pitkin). The motion carried.

Motion 4: **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 101st ANNUAL CONVENTION**

Madam Chair, the minutes from the 101st Annual Convention are presented in the program on pages 11 through 13. I move that we accept the minutes of the 101st Annual Convention. Motion made by Secretary (Liz Jarvis). The motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

: Treasurer Dianna Sharpe presented year-end financial reports. Copies of the annual audit were made available for review. The Audit Statement was adopted as presented.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Vice-President for Membership Brian Johnson reported on the status of the year's membership. The report was adopted as presented.

Guest Speaker: Dr. Melayko, Superintendent of Dearborn Public Schools, addressed the delegates.

OUTREACH AND SUPPORT REPORT

Vice-President for Outreach and Support Tracey Troy reported on the year's efforts to support units. The report was adopted as presented.

CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY REPORT

Vice-President for Children's Advocacy Marcy Dwyer reported on the status of the year's advocacy. The report was adopted as presented.

STUDENT INVOLVEMENT REPORT

Vice-President for Student Involvement Jennifer Johnson reported on the year's Student Involvement activities. The report was adopted as presented.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION REPORT

Chairperson of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Jennifer Johnson reported on the year's DEIC activities. The report was adopted as presented.

Keynote Speaker: Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer addressed the delegates.

Guest Speaker: State Representative Matt Koleszar addressed the delegates.

Awards: NEW CHARTERS

Charters were awarded to units which were established over the year, as well as any units who had not received their charter previously, Kathy Carter presenting.

FRAN ANDERSON SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarships were awarded to five graduating seniors: Cole Jones (Rochester HS); Abbey Reay (Allen Park HS); Catherina Luty (Farmington HS); Robert Lamey (Walled Lake HS) and Ankan Sur (Walled Lake HS)

UNIT AWARDS

Awards recognizing unit achievement were awarded. Several units received Membership Awards. State Awards were also presented for Excellence in Communications and Council of the Year.

NATIONAL AWARDS

One unit, Hillside Elementary School PTA, won the National PTA Jan Harpe Domen Diversity and Inclusion Award. This unit was recognized by Beth Hullet.

Guest Speaker: National PTA President-Elect Anna King addressed the delegates.

Guest Speaker: State Senator Dayna Polehanki addressed the delegates.

Closing Remarks: 103rd ANNUAL CONVENTION

Convention Chairperson Tanya Pitkin announced the date and place for our 2021 Annual Convention. The event will take place on August 7, 2021, at Henry Ford College in Dearborn, if the pandemic has lessened, President Kathy Carter thanked all delegates, vendors, and guests, and encouraged everyone to plan to attend next year's convention.

2:00 p.m. The 101st Meeting of the Michigan PTA was adjourned.

MICHIGAN PTA
Financial Report



THE CLAIRMOUNT GROUP, PLC
Certified Public Accountants

**Michigan Congress of Parents and
Teachers**

(A Michigan Non-Profit Corporation)
Financial Statements
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020





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Independent Auditor Report

To the Board of Directors
Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers (a nonprofit corporation), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2019, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of entity management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

Accountant's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to conduct the review engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether we are aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

Accountant's Conclusion

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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Detroit, MI
November 30, 2020

**Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers
Statement of Financial Position
June 30, 2020**

| Assets | |
|---|--------------------------|
| Current assets | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 186,828 |
| Prepaid expenses | 1,167 |
| Deposits | <u>600</u> |
| Total current assets | \$ 188,595 |
| Noncurrent assets | |
| Deposits | <u>185</u> |
| Total Assets | <u>\$ 188,780</u> |
| Liabilities | |
| Accounts payable | \$ - |
| Dues payable to national | <u>1,055</u> |
| Total liabilities | \$ 1,055 |
| Net Assets | |
| Net assets without donor restrictions | 161,181 |
| Net assets with donor restrictions | <u>26,545</u> |
| Total net assets | 187,725 |
| Total liabilities and net assets | <u>\$ 188,780</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers
Statement of Activities
Year Ended June 30, 2020**

| | Without Donor Restrictions | With Donor Restrictions | Total |
|--|---|--|-------------------|
| Support and Revenue | | | |
| Membership dues - contributions | \$ 187,149 | \$ - | \$ 187,149 |
| Membership dues - units | 5,177 | - | 5,177 |
| Event income | 14,639 | - | 14,639 |
| Merchandise sales | 3,666 | 3,324 | 6,989 |
| Contributions | 1,006 | - | 1,006 |
| Interest income | 286 | - | 286 |
| Miscellaneous income | 1,536 | - | 1,536 |
| Release from temporarily restricted | 9,413 | (9,413) | - |
| Total revenues | <u>222,872</u> | <u>(6,090)</u> | <u>216,782</u> |
| Expenses | | | |
| Program services | | | |
| Convention | 17,931 | - | 17,931 |
| Advocacy | 3,160 | - | 3,160 |
| Membership services | 76,325 | - | 76,325 |
| Scholarship fund | 9,413 | - | 9,413 |
| Total program services | <u>106,829</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>106,829</u> |
| Support services | | | |
| Management and general | 47,209 | - | 47,209 |
| Total expenses | 154,038 | - | 154,038 |
| Increase/(Decrease) in Net Assets | 68,834 | (6,090) | 62,744 |
| Net Assets - Beginning of Year | <u>92,347</u> | <u>32,634</u> | <u>124,981</u> |
| Net Assets - End of Year | <u>\$ 161,181</u> | <u>\$ 26,545</u> | <u>\$ 187,725</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers
Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended June 30, 2020**

| | Program Services | | | | Total Program Services | Supporting Services | | Total Expenses |
|------------------------|------------------|----------|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| | Convention | Advocacy | Membership Services | Scholarship Fund | | Management and General | | |
| Management fees | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | 9,417 | \$ 9,417 | |
| Bank fees | - | - | - | - | - | 2,159 | 2,159 | |
| Marketing | - | - | - | - | - | 673 | 673 | |
| Professional fees | - | - | - | - | - | 19,450 | 19,450 | |
| Office expense | - | - | - | - | - | 5,251 | 5,251 | |
| Information technology | - | - | - | - | - | 842 | 842 | |
| Committee expenses | - | - | - | - | - | 1,148 | 1,148 | |
| Event expenses | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Facilities | 13,471 | - | - | - | 13,471 | - | 13,471 | |
| Food and beverage | 1,878 | - | - | - | 1,878 | - | 1,878 | |
| Supplies | 2,582 | - | - | - | 2,582 | - | 2,582 | |
| Insurance | - | - | - | - | - | 1,782 | 1,782 | |
| Memberships | - | 3,160 | - | - | 3,160 | - | 3,160 | |
| Awards | - | - | 301 | 9,413 | 9,714 | - | 9,714 | |
| National dues | - | - | 75,724 | - | 75,724 | - | 75,724 | |
| Sales taxes | - | - | - | - | - | 308 | 308 | |
| Miscellaneous | - | - | 300 | - | 300 | 6,179 | 6,479 | |
| Total expenses | \$17,931 | \$3,160 | \$76,325 | \$9,413 | \$106,829 | \$47,209 | \$154,038 | |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers
Statement of Cash Flows
Year Ended June 30, 2020**

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Cash Flows from Operating Activities | |
| Changes in net assets | \$ 62,744 |
| Adjustments to reconcile to net assets to net cash provided by operating activities: | |
| Decrease in accounts payable | (11,950) |
| Increase in dues payable | 20 |
| Decrease in deferred revenue | (5,395) |
| Net cash Provided by Operating Activities | <u>45,419</u> |
| Net Increase in cash | 45,419 |
| Cash, Beginning of year | <u>\$ 141,409</u> |
| Cash, Ending of year | <u>\$ 186,828</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers Notes to Financial Statements

1. Nature of Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The purpose of Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers (the "Organization") is to promote the welfare of children and youth in home, school, places of worship, and throughout the community; raise the standards of home life; advocate for laws that further the education, physical and mental health, welfare, and safety of children and youth; promote the collaboration and engagement of families and educators in the education of children and youth; engage the public in united efforts to secure the physical, mental, emotional, spiritual, and social well-being of all children and youth; and advocate for fiscal responsibility regarding public tax dollars in public education funding.

Michigan PTA was incorporated as a Michigan nonprofit corporation to act as the state governing body of local Parent Teacher Association (PTA) units within the State of Michigan, as assigned by the National Congress of Parents and Teachers ("National PTA"). Local units do not meet the consolidation requirements under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 958-810, *Not-for-Profit Entities, Consolidation*. The objectives of Michigan PTA are developed through conferences, committees, projects, and programs; and are promoted through educational programs directed towards parents, teachers, students and the general public.

Michigan PTA derives its revenue from member dues, registration fees for events, merchandise sales, and contributions.

Major Initiatives - Michigan PTA's major initiatives are as follows:

Convention - Michigan PTA facilitates the gathering of the state and local PTA leadership, its membership, and strategic partners at the annual meeting and convention, which is rotated around the state.

Advocacy - Advocates policies that benefit children and families via dissemination of its public policy agenda and issue briefs, lobbying in support or opposition to proposed state legislation, regulations and rulemaking, participation in programs, training and monitoring legislation.

Membership Services - Michigan PTA provides four key benefits to its members: information through newsletters and social media; guidance through webinars, training, and other resources; networking through local, state, and national connected groups; and programs through a variety of initiatives that strengthen family engagement and increase opportunities.

Scholarship Fund - The Fran Anderson Michigan PTA Scholarship was created as a way to recognize high school seniors who have demonstrated leadership and advocacy skills through participation in the PTA. A minimum of one \$1,000 scholarship is awarded each year. Additional scholarships of varying amounts may be awarded at the discretion of the awards committee.

Reflections - Michigan PTA believes all children deserve a quality arts education and encourages students to pursue artistic expression through participation in its annual Reflections program. The program offers students in preschool through grade 12 the opportunity to create works of art for fun and recognition. It celebrates the many skills of our students and encourages them to pursue artistic expression in a number of different ways including film/video production, dance choreography, musical composition, photography, visual arts, and literature.

Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers
Notes to Financial Statements

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the organization have been prepared on the accrual basis in accordance with account principals generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to non-profit organizations. Under these principles, net assets and revenues, expenses, gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets of the Organization and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions – Net Assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations

Net Assets with Donor Restrictions – Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that may or will be met either by actions of the Organization and/or passage of time.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recorded when earned as support without or with donor restrictions depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions. All revenue is considered to be without donor restrictions unless specifically restricted by the funding source.

Income Taxes

The Organization is exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. However, the Organization is subject to tax on income unrelated to its exempt purpose, unless that income is otherwise excluded by the Internal Revenue Code. No material taxable unrelated business income was generated and, accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been made in the accompanying financial statements. Management has evaluated FASB ASC 740, Income Taxes, and concluded it has no uncertain positions. The Organization is no longer subject to US. Federal income tax examinations by tax authorities for the years ended on or before June 30, 2016.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statements of cash flows, cash equivalents include highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. The Organization's cash balance is within the FDIC insurance limit of \$250,000. All cash and cash equivalents are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain cash and cash equivalents, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of cash and cash equivalents could occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of financial position.

**Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers
Notes to Financial Statements**

Grant Revenue

The Organization receives grant revenue through contracts with certain governmental and other agencies. Revenue under these contracts is recognized when earned. Grant money received in advance is recorded as deferred revenue.

Reclassifications

Certain accounts in the prior year financial statements have been reclassified for comparative purposes to conform to the presentation in the current year financial statements. The reclassifications had no impact on previously reported net assets.

Allocation of Functional Expenses

The financial statements report certain categories of expense that are attributed to more than one program or supporting function. As a result, expenses require allocation on a reasonable basis that is consistently applied. The expenses that are allocated include space rental which is allocated on a square foot basis. Salaries and related expenses are allocated on the basis of the actual or estimated time devoted to those activities. All other expenses have been allocated on the basis of actual or estimates of time and effort attributable to the program or supporting function, as determined by management. For the year ended June 30, 2019, total functional expenses were allocated in the following manner:

| <u>Expense</u> | <u>Method of Allocation</u> |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Conferences, meetings & travel | Time and effort |
| Dues and subscriptions | Full time equivalent |
| Commercial insurance | Square footage |
| Interest | Full time equivalent |
| Legal & professional services | Full time equivalent |
| Miscellaneous | Time and effort |
| Occupancy | Square footage |
| Office supplies & postage | Full time equivalent |
| Other professional services | Full time equivalent |
| Other program | Time and effort |
| Telephone | Time and effort |

Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers
Notes to Financial Statements

Note 3 – Net assets with Donor Restrictions

Net Assets with Donor Restrictions represent unexpended contributions received for funding of Scholarship Awards.

Note 4 – Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through November 30, 2020, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers
Notes to Financial Statements**

Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset in principal or most advantageous market for the asset in an orderly transaction between market participants on measurement date. Fair value should be based on the assumptions market participants would use when pricing an asset. U.S. GAAP establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes investments based on those assumptions. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets (observable inputs) and the lowest priority to an entity’s assumptions (unobservable inputs). The Organization groups assets at fair value in three levels, based on the markets in which the assets and liabilities are traded and the reliability of the assumptions used to determine fair value. These levels are as follows:

- Level 1 - Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 - Quoted prices in markets that are not considered to be active or financial instruments for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 - Prices or valuations that require input that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable.

As of June 30, 2020, the Organization did not have any financial assets or liabilities subject to being classified in any of the above categories.

Note 2 – Liquidity and Availability

Financial assets available for general expenditure, that is, without donor or other restrictions limiting their use, within one year of the statement of financial position date, comprise the following:

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Total assets | \$ 188,595 |
| Less prepaid expenses | (1,167) |
| Less deposits | (785) |
| Less net assets with donor restrictions | <u>(26,545)</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ 160,099</u> |

Financial assets in the amount of \$160,099 are available for general expenditure without donor or other restrictions limiting their use for the years ending June 30, 2020. If funds to cover the cost of current liabilities are backed out, a net amount of \$159,044 is available for the year ending June 30, 2020.

PROPOSED BYLAWS AMMEMNDMENTS 2021

2021 Proposed Bylaws Amendments

To provide for the safety of our members, delegates, volunteers, and other attendees, Michigan PTA's 2021 Annual Convention is being held virtually. This year delegates will have the opportunity to vote on proposed bylaws amendments (michiganpta.org/103rd-annual-convention). Due to the limitations of conducting business in a virtual setting, however, there will not be debate nor amendments on the proposed bylaws amendments *during* the Convention. Instead, input, feedback, and voting on the proposed bylaws amendments are being handled differently.

The Bylaws Committee held a Question & Answer Session on Wednesday, June 23rd. There will not be an opportunity to make motions on suggested amendments during the General Session of the MIPTA Annual Convention on August 5th-8th. All suggestions put forth at the question & answer session and those received in email to convention@michiganpta.org were considered by the MIPTA Board of Directors.

Please note:

To vote on convention business, you must be a member of the voting body of the annual meeting as defined in Article XIV, A. ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION, Section 3e of the Michigan PTA bylaws:

"The President or alternate, one additional delegate, and one (1) delegate for each fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof, from each Local Unit, provided the Michigan and National portion of membership dues has been received by the Michigan PTA Treasurer by April 28th preceding the convention."

If you have questions about becoming a voting delegate, contact the PTA/PTSA/Council of which you are a member.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #1
ARTICLE VIII – CONSTITUENT ORGANIZATION

| | |
|---|--|
| <p>SECTION 2, Items g and h.</p> <p><u>Now reads:</u></p> <p>g. Send the name and address of the newly elected officers and committee chairs to the Michigan PTA State Office immediately following election.</p> <p>h. Review/revise their bylaws every three (3) years and submit a copy electronically (or by mail if electronic means are not available) along with the minutes from the meeting in which members have adopted them and submit them to the Michigan PTA office for approval.</p> <p>And</p> <p>SECTION 4, Item c, sub-items iii, iv, and v.</p> <p>iii. Remit membership dues to the state office by the 28th of each month, as provided in Article X</p> <p>iv. Submit a copy of their annual budget, audit and Form 990 to the state office.</p> <p>v. Review and/or revise bylaws every three (3) years and submit them to the state office for approval. A copy of the minutes from the meeting in which the bylaws were approved must be included with the submission.</p> <p>And</p> <p>SECTION 6, Item a.</p> <p>a. Be notified by the State Office that they are an inactive unit.</p> <p>And</p> <p>SECTION 9, Item b and c.</p> <p>b. Written notice stating the recommendation of the constituent organization’s executive board shall be given to each member/unit entitled to vote at such meeting, to the Region Director, Vice President for Outreach and Support and the Michigan PTA State Office at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of such a meeting</p> <p>c. Approval of disbandment shall require the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the voting body, a quorum being present. A member of the state Board of Directors (or designee) may be present at the vote. The Region Director, Vice President for Outreach and Support and Michigan PTA State Office shall be notified of the decision.</p> | <p>SECTION 2, Items g and h.</p> <p><u>Will read:</u></p> <p>g. Send Submit the name and address of the newly elected officers and committee chairs to the Michigan PTA State Office immediately following election.</p> <p>h. Review/revise their bylaws every three (3) years and submit a copy electronically (or by mail if electronic means are not available) along with the minutes from the meeting in which members have adopted them and submit them to the Michigan PTA office for approval.</p> <p>And</p> <p>SECTION 4, Item c, sub-items iii, iv, and v.</p> <p>iii. Remit membership dues to the state office Michigan PTA by the 28th of each month, as provided in Article X</p> <p>iv. Submit a copy of their annual budget, audit and Form 990 to the state office. Michigan PTA</p> <p>v. Review and/or revise bylaws every three (3) years and submit them to the state office Michigan PTA for approval. A copy of the minutes from the meeting in which the bylaws were approved must be included with the submission.</p> <p>And</p> <p>SECTION 6, Item a.</p> <p>a. Be notified by Michigan PTA the State Office that they are an inactive unit.</p> <p>And</p> <p>SECTION 9, Item b and c.</p> <p>b. Written notice stating the recommendation of the constituent organization’s executive board shall be given to each member/unit entitled to vote at such meeting, to the Region Director, Vice President for Outreach and Support and the Michigan PTA State Office at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of such a meeting</p> <p>c. Approval of disbandment shall require the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the voting body, a quorum being present. A member of the state Board of Directors (or designee) may be present at the vote. The Region Director, Vice President for Outreach and Support and Michigan PTA State Office shall be notified of the decision.</p> |
| <p>RATIONALE: Update SEND to SUBMIT to utilize online submission process. We would remove reference of “office” or “State Office” anywhere in state bylaws and replace with “Michigan PTA” as there has not always been a physical office.</p> | |

| <u>PROPOSED AMENDMENT #2</u> ARTICLE VIII – CONSTITUENT ORGANIZATIONS | |
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| SECTION 3, item f. <u>Now reads:</u> f. Elect board members who shall be a member of the Local Constituent Units. | SECTION 3, Item f. <u>Will read:</u> f. Elect board members who shall be are a member of the Local Constituent Units |
| <u>RATIONALE:</u> Candidates running for Council board positions should be a current member of a unit in that council when they announce their candidacy. | |

| <u>PROPOSED AMENDMENT #3</u> ARTICLE XI – FINANCIALS | |
|---|--|
| SECTION 2. <u>Now reads:</u> The Michigan PTA shall be responsible for furnishing a complete audit statement of the previous fiscal year in the convention program. This statement shall include the financial picture of the last convention | SECTION 2. <u>Will read:</u> The Michigan PTA shall be responsible for furnishing a complete audit statement or financial review of the previous fiscal year in the convention program. This statement shall include the financial picture of the last convention |
| <u>RATIONALE:</u> A state PTA of our size is allowed to complete an annual financial review in lieu of an audit. anywhere an “audit” is mentioned in the state bylaws we will change to “Audit or financial review” | |

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #4

ARTICLE XIII – OFFICERS

SECTION 1.

Now reads:

The elected officers of the Michigan PTA shall be a President, President Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President for Membership, Vice President for Outreach & Support, Vice President for Children’s Advocacy, Vice President for Programs & Services and Vice President for Student Involvement. Region Directors shall be appointed officers.

And

SECTION 2, items a-d

SECTION 2. The following provisions shall govern the qualifications and eligibility of persons to be officers of the Michigan PTA.

- a. Each officer shall be a member of a local PTA/PTSA.
- b. Only those who are serving on the Michigan PTA Board of Directors for at least one year shall be eligible for nomination or election to the office of President Elect.
- c. Only those who have previously served at least one year on the Committee for Children’s Advocacy or who exhibit documented experience in the area of Advocacy shall be eligible for nomination or election to the office of Vice President for Children’s Advocacy.
- d. Only those who have previously served at least two years as a Field Service Representative shall be eligible for nomination or election to the office of Vice President of Outreach & Support or appointed as Region Director.

AND

SECTION 3, A-b

Section 3 Except for the office of president, the officers shall be elected at the annual convention by the voting delegates. officers shall remain in office until their successors assume office.

- a. Beginning with the 2017 election cycle, officers shall be elected every two years, in odd numbered years.
- b. Officers serving for the 2015-2016 term will have their terms extended until the 2017 election cycle. This extension shall not count as a term for the purposes of article xiii, section 5.

SECTION 1

Will read:

The elected officers of the Michigan PTA shall be a President, President Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President for Membership, Vice President for Outreach & Support, Vice President for Children’s Advocacy, Vice President for Programs & Services ~~and~~ , Vice President for Student Involvement ~~and~~ **Vice President for Communications**. Region Directors shall be appointed officers.

And

SECTION 2, items a-d

SECTION 2. The following provisions shall govern the qualifications and eligibility of persons to be officers of the Michigan PTA.

- a. Each officer shall be a member of a local PTA/PTSA **or ALL PTA**.
- b. Only those who are serving on the Michigan PTA Board of Directors for at least ~~one~~ **two** years shall be eligible for nomination or election to the office of President Elect. ~~c. Only those Preferred are candidates~~ who have previously served at least one year on the Committee for Children’s Advocacy or who exhibit documented experience in the area of Advocacy shall be eligible for nomination or election to the office of Vice President for Children’s Advocacy.
- ~~d. Only those who have previously served at least two years as at Field Service Representative shall be eligible for nomination or election to the office of Vice President of Outreach & Support or appointed as Region Director.~~

And

Section 3, ~~a-b~~

Section 3. Except for the Office of President, the officers shall be elected at the annual convention by the voting delegates. Officers shall remain in office until their successors assume office. ~~a. Beginning with the 2017 election cycle, Officers shall be elected every two years, in odd numbered years. b. Officers serving for the 2015-2016 term will have their terms extended until the 2017 election cycle. This extension shall not count as a term for the purposes of Article XIII, Section 5.~~

RATIONALE: add new Vice President of Communications position. Modify qualifications for officer requirements to make them consistent. Clean up wording on election cycle for clarification and remove past dates.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #5

ARTICLE XIII – OFFICERS

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| <p>SECTION 2, items e</p> <p><u>Now reads:</u></p> <p>e. Only those who have served or are serving on the Michigan PTA Board of Directors or on a Michigan PTA Committee shall be eligible for nomination or election to the office of:</p> <p>Secretary Treasurer Vice President for Membership Vice President for Programs & Services Vice President for Student Involvement</p> | <p>SECTION 2, item e</p> <p><u>Will read:</u></p> <p>e. Only those who have served or are serving on the Michigan PTA Board of Directors, Council, or on a Michigan PTA Committee or who exhibit documented experience shall be eligible for nomination or election to the office of:</p> <p>Secretary Treasurer Vice President for Membership Vice President for Programs & Services Vice President for Student Involvement Vice President of Outreach & Support Vice President of Communications</p> |
| <p>RATIONAL: Add members serving on a Council as an eligible requirement for nomination or election. add Vice President for Outreach & Support and Vice President for Communications to this list, as no other requirements are outlined in these bylaws.</p> | |

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #6

ARTICLE XIV – GOVERNING BODIES

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| <p>A. SECTION 3, items a - f.</p> <p><u>Now reads:</u></p> <p>a. Members of the Michigan PTA Board of Directors</p> <p>b. All past Michigan PTA Presidents</p> <p>c. The President and Vice President of councils or their alternates.</p> <p>d. All Chairs of active state committees</p> <p>e. The President or alternate, one additional delegate, and one (1) delegate for each fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof, from each Local Unit, provided the Michigan and National portion of membership dues has been received by the Michigan PTA Treasurer by April 28th preceding the convention.</p> <p>f. Members of a new or reactivated unit chartered by the Michigan PTA between April 28th and fifteen (15) days prior to the annual convention shall be entitled to the President or alternate and one (1) delegate for each fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof.</p> | <p>A. SECTION 3, items a - f.</p> <p><u>Will read:</u></p> <p>a. Members of the Michigan PTA Board of Directors</p> <p>b. All past Michigan PTA Presidents</p> <p>c. The President and Vice President of councils or their alternates.</p> <p>d. All Chairs of active state committees</p> <p>e. The President or alternate, one additional delegate, and one (1) delegate for each fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof, from each Local Unit, provided the Michigan and National portion of membership dues has been received by the Michigan PTA Treasurer by April 28th preceding the convention.</p> <p>a. Registered attendees who are members of a local unit in good standing in Michigan or of ALL PTA, and who have been a member for more than 30 days.</p> <p>f. b. Members of a new or reactivated unit chartered by the Michigan PTA between April 28th and fifteen (15) days prior to the annual convention shall be entitled to the President or alternate and one (1) delegate for each fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof.</p> |
| <p>RATIONALE: All members of PTAs in good standing within Michigan who attend the annual meeting shall be allowed one vote.</p> | |

| PROPOSED AMENDMENT #7 ARTICLE XIV – GOVERNING BODIES | |
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| <p>B., SECTION 5, item f.</p> <p><u>Now reads:</u></p> <p>f. Approve the appointment of Field Service Representatives, committee chairs, and committee members.</p> | <p>B., SECTION 5, item f.</p> <p><u>Will read:</u></p> <p>f. Approve the appointment of Field Service Representatives, committee chairs, and committee members, regional directors and at-large board members</p> |
| <p><u>RATIONALE:</u> All state-level appointees shall be approved by the board of directors.</p> | |

| PROPOSED AMENDMENT #8 ARTICLE XV – COMMITTEES | |
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| <p>SECTION 1.</p> <p><u>Now reads:</u></p> <p>The Board of Directors may create one or more committees comprised of board members and others deemed necessary. Members of these committees are appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Board of Directors for a term of one (1) year.</p> | <p>SECTION 1.</p> <p><u>Will read:</u></p> <p>The Board of Directors may create one or more committees comprised of board members and others deemed necessary. Members of these committees are appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Board of Directors for a term of one (1) two (2) years.</p> |
| <p><u>RATIONALE:</u> State-level committee appointees will have the same term lengths as officers.</p> | |

| PROPOSED AMENDMENT #9 ARTICLE XVI – NOMINATING AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE | |
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| <p><u>SECTION 2</u></p> <p><u>Now reads:</u></p> <p>SECTION 2. The five (5) elected members of the Nominating and Leadership Development Committee shall serve a term of three (3) years or until their successors are elected. The members shall be elected by the voting body of the convention in three Classes. Class A shall consist of one (1) member; Class B, two (2) members; and Class C, two (2) members. Members may not serve more than one (1) term</p> <p>And</p> <p>SECTION 4.</p> <p>In the years that Class A and B are elected, the Board of Directors will appoint one member to the Nominating and Leadership Development Committee. Members appointed by And SECTION 4. In the years that Class A and B are elected, the Board of Directors will appoint one member to the Nominating and Leadership Development Committee. Members appointed by the Board of Directors will serve a three (3) year term. One of the appointees will also serve on the Board of Directors.</p> | <p><u>SECTION 2</u></p> <p><u>Will read:</u></p> <p>SECTION 2. The five (5) elected members of the Nominating and Leadership Development Committee shall serve a term of three (3) years or until their successors are elected. The members shall be elected by the voting body of the convention in three Classes. Class A shall consist of one (1) member; Class B, two (2) members; and Class C, two (2) members. Members may not serve more than one (1) term.</p> <p>And</p> <p>SECTION 4.</p> <p>In the years that Class A and B are elected, the Board of Directors will appoint one member to the Nominating and Leadership Development Committee. Members appointed by the Board of Directors will serve a three (3) year term. One of the appointees will also serve on the Board of Directors.</p> |
| <p><u>RATIONALE:</u> Change the committee’s name to match the name most commonly used within our units. Anywhere the “Nomination and Leadership Development Committee” is mentioned, it will now read “Nomination Committee”. Streamline election process.</p> | |

| <u>PROPOSED AMENDMENT #10</u> ARTICLE XIX – STATE OFFICE | |
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| SECTION 1. <u>Now reads:</u> A state office shall be located within the State of Michigan at such place as determined by the Board of Directors. | SECTION 1. <u>Will read:</u> A state office shall be located within the State of Michigan at such place as determined by the Board of Directors. In the absence of a physical office, the official address shall be the president's office. |
| RATIONALE: To provide an address outside of our PO Box, in the event we do not have a permanent office. | |

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

2021-2023

Michigan PTA Officer Elections will be held Thursday, August 5, 2021 During General Session #1

Slate presented on behalf of the MIPTA Nominations Committee stands as presented:

President-Elect: *vacant*

Secretary: Jenna McMechan

Treasurer: Meredith Blixt

Vice President of Children's Advocacy: Jenn Garland

Vice President of Membership: *vacant*

Vice President of Outreach & Support: Lisa Roscoe

Vice President of Programs and Services: Susie Crafton

Vice President of Student Involvement: *vacant*

Vice President of Communications: Beth Hulett (*pending bylaws approval*)

There were no nominations from the floor.

MICHIGAN PTA Past Presidents

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| 1918- 1921 |Mrs. Charles Stewart* |
| 1921- 1925 |Mrs. Edgar W. Kiefer* |
| 1925- 1928 |Mrs. Fred E. Raymond* |
| 1928- 1932 |Mrs. J.K. Pattengill** |
| 1932- 1935 |Mrs. David M. Stewart* |
| 1935- 1939 |Mrs. William T. Sanders* |
| 1939- 1942 |Mrs. Edward G. Thompson* |
| 1942- 1945 |Mrs. James Parker** |
| 1945- 1948 |Mrs. William De Voe* |
| 1948- 1951 |Mrs. E.L. Church* |
| 1951- 1954 |Mrs. Harry King* |
| 1954- 1957 |Mrs. Fred Keeler* |
| 1957- 1960 |Mrs. Charles Neldrett* |
| 1960- 1963 |Mrs. Otto Yntema* |
| 1963- 1966 |Mrs. Kenneth Otto |
| 1966- 1969 |Mr. A.B. Haist* |
| 1969- 1971 |Mrs. Jane E. Tate* |
| 1971 |Mr. Herbert Auer* |
| 1971- 1973 |Mr. David M. Mahowald* |
| 1973- 1975 |Dr. H.R. Stroyan* |
| 1975- 1977 |Mrs. Elaine Stienkemeyer** |
| 1977- 1979 |Dr. Clyde C. Gehrig* |
| 1979- 1981 |Mrs. Constance W. Ernest* |

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| 1981- 1983 |Dr. Elven E. Duvall* |
| 1983- 1985 |Mrs. Jackie Palmer* |
| 1985- 1987 |Mrs. Francile Anderson* |
| 1987- 1989 |Mr. Carl Cohen |
| 1989- 1991 |Mrs. Beverly Wessner* |
| 1991- 1993 |Mr. David Gross |
| 1993- 1995 |Mrs. Maryjane Cipcic |
| 1995- 1997 |Mrs. Grace Preston |
| 1997- 1999 |Ms. Georgene Campbell |
| 1999- 2001 |Mr. Ron Coleman |
| 2001- 2003 |Mrs. Sue Bellows |
| 2003- 2005 |Mrs. Pattie (Bayless) Callender |
| 2005- 2007 |Mrs. Barb Blanchard |
| 2007- 2009 |Mrs. Debbie (Squires) Stair |
| 2009- 2011 |Mrs. Mary DeYoung-Smith |
| 2011- 2013 |Ms. Shaton Berry |
| 2013- 2015 |Ms. Teresa Marhofer |
| 2015- 2017 |Ms. Ruthann Jaquette |
| 2017- 2019 |Ms. Sibyl Collins Wilson* |
| 2019- 2021 |Ms. Kathy Carter |

*Deceased

*Service as National PTA President

MICHIGAN PTA ELECTED OFFICERS



PRESIDENT-ELECT
Tracey Troy
DeWitt



SECRETARY/ ACTING TREASURER
Liz Jarvis
Livonia



VP OF STUDENT INVOLVEMENT
Jennifer Johnson
Berkley



VP OF MEMBERSHIP
Brian Johnson
Berkley



VP OF CHILD ADVOCACY
Marcy Dwyer
Royal Oak



TREASURER
Dianna Sharpe
Southfield

MICHIGAN PTA APPOINTED BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Richard Powell
Southfield



Carin Meyer
Northville



Tanya Pitkin
Northville



Michael Wilson
Southfield



Jennifer Garland
Farmington



Beth Hulett
Farmington

*Thank you for
hitting it out of the park!*



An infographic with a blue and orange striped background. At the top, a banner reads "Kathy Carter". Below it, another banner says "Michigan PTA President 2019". A third banner states "First at bat: 1994, Hoover Elementary PTA". A larger banner lists "Positions: Local Unit President, Treasurer, VP Council President, VP, Secretary State President-Elect, VP of Outreach and Support, Region F Director, Field Service". Another banner says "Goals and focus: Membership, services, communication". At the bottom, a banner reads "Let's hit it out of the park!".



Kathy Carter
Michigan PTA President 2019-2021

Budget and Finance and Headquarters

Kathy Carter, Allen Park, President
Liz Jarvis, Livonia

Membership

Brian Johnson, Berkley
Tracey Troy, DeWitt
Sharene Nathan, Detroit
Carin Meyer, Northville
Tanya Pitkin, Northville
Deshonda Shorts, Detroit
Jennifer Johnson, Berkley

Children's Advocacy

Marcy Dwyer, Royal Oak, Chair
Kathy Carter, Allen Park, President
Jenn Garland, Farmington
Liz Jarvis, Livonia
Jennifer Johnson, Berkley
Carin Meyer, Northville
Tanya Pitkin, Northville
Mike Testa, Livonia
Maryanne A Vanhaitsma, Royal Oak
Susie Crafton, Novi
Tracey Troy, Dewitt
Brian Johnson, Berkley

Reflections

Tanya Pitkin, Northville
Pauline Kim, Farmington

Field Service

Tracey Troy, DeWitt
Tanya Pitkin, Northville
All Council Leaders

Local Bylaws/Standing Rules

Liz Jarvis, Livonia
Deb Macon, Bloomfield Hills
Sandy Winkler, Allen Park
Debbie Pline, Livonia
Jenn Johnson, Berkley
Jenn Garland, Farmington

Convention

Tanya Pitkin, Northville, Co-Chair
Tracey Troy, DeWitt, Co-Chair
Beth Hulett, Farmington
Tonya Whitehead, Detroit
Jenn Garland, Farmington

Outreach

Brian Johnson, Berkley, Chair
Tracey Troy, DeWitt
Tanya Pitkin, Northville

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Scholarship

Barb Blanchard, Berkley, Chair, Past President
Sue Bellows, Garden City, Past President
Mary DeYoung-Smith, Royal Oak, Past President
Grace Preston, E. Lansing, Past President
Mary Jane Cipcic, Past President
Shaton Berry, Past President

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Jennifer Johnson, Berkley
Shaton Berry, Past President
Sue Bellows, Past President
Tanya Pitkin, Northville
Brianna Johnson, Berkley (student)
Joyce Krom, Berkley
Autumn Foster, Farmington
Brian Johnson, Berkley
Sharene Nathan, Detroit
Maryanne VanHaitsma, Royal Oak
Susan Hedge, Royal Oak
Donald Walker, Farmington
Natalie Lowenfeld, Farmington
Anthony King, Michigan Men In PTA
Morgan Jones, Royal Oak (student)
Akhilia Mullapudi, Farmington (student)
Paul Wilson, Southfield (student)
Michael Wilson, Southfield (student)
Karen Wang, Northville

Student Involvement

Jennifer Johnson, Berkley
Brianna Johnson, Berkley
Susan Hedge, Royal Oak
Brian Johnson, Berkley
Natalie Lowenfeld, Farmington
Morgan Jones, Royal Oak (Student)
Akhila Mullapudi, Farmington (Student)
Paul Wilson, Southfield (Student)
Michael Wilson, Southfield (student)
Sharene Nathan, Detroit
Morgan Jones, Royal Oak (student)

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Michigan Men in PTA

Anthony King, Detroit, Chair
Brian Johnson, Berkley

DPSCD Team

Liz Jarvis, Livonia
Tanya Pitkin, Northville

Awards

Beth Hulett, Farmington
Tonya Whitehead, Detroit
Sue Bellows, Past President, Garden City
Teresa Marhofer, Past President, Mulliken
Shaton Berry, Past President
Barb Blanchard, Past President, Berkley

Leadership Development

Tracey Troy, DeWitt
Beth Hulett, Farmington

Communications and Public Relations

Beth Hulett, Farmington, Chair
Becky Lasecki, Farmington
Tanya Pitkin, Northville

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Year End Reports

President's Report

Kathy Carter, Michigan PTA President

Hello Michigan PTA,

Oh, how the time flies when you are having fun! I address you today for the last time as your State PTA President and am happy to give you a brief update on my term as President for the previous 27 months.

One of my priorities was to continue with the efforts of Sybil Collins Wilson to transition the organization away from outside services and become more independent. We've taken several steps, including moving to a service that manages our phone calls and securing a place where we can have a small office—all the time trying to straighten out our storage of files, PTA memorabilia, and other items. None of this was easy, but we persevered.

I've also focused on growing our leadership. When I took office, Michigan PTA had five elected officers. The Board of Directors has since grown to 11, and we've added many members to our committees. We worked through the challenges of having many new Board of Directors, got into a place we were a bit comfortable, and then the big "C-19" hit. Oh my goodness!

The Covid pandemic has done a number on us all. The Board of Directors came together and started finding resources and ways to conduct meetings so the Association could keep moving forward.

Thank you for allowing me to be your President, and thank you to the Board of Directors for stepping up and doing their job to keep us moving forward.

May you keep "Making every child's potential a reality."

Kathy Carter
Together Everyone Accomplishes More

Outreach & Support Report

Tracey Troy, VP of Outreach & Support

Did any of us really think that we'd press through 2020-2021 still completely in a pandemic? No? Me neither. The goal of this last year really required strategy to sustain. To remain at least in place until we can see through to the other side.

Michigan PTA offered support to units with the Zoom Unit hosting program. Hosting Local and Council unit meetings all around the state. Over 40 meetings were hosted throughout this term. It made for many nights at the computer and made for a great way for me and other Board Leaders (AKA Zoom Guides) to meet many great leaders all around our state and hear about the amazing things going on in these communities.

Field Service assisted with the needs of our leaders with questions about Elections, Treasurer, and more. You can always reach out to get your questions answered by calling the Michigan PTA office at 734-975-9500 or emailing outreachsupportvp@michiganpta.org.

Leadership Development continues to develop resources for 24/7 access adding the Leadership Resources on the Michigan PTA website. A big thanks to our Communications team for helping make this vision come together. We will continue to build onto this site and if you have what you believe would be a great help to other unit leaders, let us know so we can share!

Our Outreach Committee, building new units, was flat this year as we might expect. We are currently working to add seven new Councils to support Detroit Public School Units. In the new term, we will evaluate areas throughout Michigan for new local units as well as Councils. Do you see a need for PTA in another school in your District? Let us help you get that started!

I can't express how grateful I am for the 'Stick to it' of our unit leaders and members. To adapt to the barriers and changes this year and continue to PTA. Efforts no matter how big or small, make an impact in our communities. This is a real example of Michigan PTA, Mi PTA!

PTA's mission is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

Student Involvement Report

Jennifer Johnson, VP of Student Involvement

Greetings, Michigan PTA Board of Directors, Councils, Units, Members, and our supportive coalition partners! My name is Jennifer Johnson, and I humbly serve as the Vice President for Student Involvement for Michigan PTA.

Student involvement entails the intentional and active inclusion and participation of students in all spaces of PTA from serving on the board of directors to being committee and event leaders and participants, and of course as members of our great association.

This past year was met with opportunities as we collectively faced the challenges and obstacles of a global pandemic. Our Student Involvement entity enjoined with our Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Outreach Committee to foster inclusion, strengthen the collaboration of ideas, and bolster student voice.

We Developed

- A list of food resources statewide including food pantry information in our Urban, Suburban, and Rural areas

We Created

- A scholarship opportunity Information docket for ALL students regardless of physical or intellectual ability, socio-economic basis, and GPA

We Produced

- Webinars
 - Social Justice Virtual Town Hall Series: Part 1- The Effect of Racial Trauma on Youth and Families in the African American Community
 - Uncomfortable, Necessary Conversations About Racial Trauma in the Middle and High School Curriculum

§ Students assisted with the planning and execution of these events as moderators, chat monitors, and panelists.

We Collaborated

- Coalition Partners include MOASH, Affirmations LGBTQ Community Center, AFSP-MI, and OK2Say who provide space for youth to thrive and who have youth who are members of various PTA/PTSAs across the state as participants.

Essentially, we uplift and amplify student voice. I wish to congratulate our hardworking team of students who serve on our state committee: Akhila Mullapudi, Morgan Jones, Brianna Johnson, Paul Wilson, and Michael Wilson who diligently shared their time and resources with us this past year.

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Membership Report

Brian Johnson, VP of Membership

"Be the change you wish to see in the world."

Greetings Membership! First, we thank you for all your unceasing efforts toward the community, especially our children. Next, the members of the membership committee, thank all essential workers for their service. Our hearts go out to those who lost loved ones due to Covid-19. The goal of the Membership committee is to build and maintain membership by encourage and promoting requirement strategies along with techniques to facilitate growth with units which impacts our children and community. This year, the pandemic impacted membership. Last year, we had almost 34,000 members and now, we have under 20,000. Although, this perhaps seems like a small number, those individuals from various units provided invaluable services to their school, community, and the nation.

Similarly, the membership committee, despite the pandemic, worked diligently to promote membership growth and retention. Our committee launched, the National PTA Program, Zooming into Membership, to share resources and spotlight units for their hard work. We created membership challenges to reward units for their membership efforts. Congratulations to Hamlin Elementary School PTA, Rochester Community Schools - the winner of the Early Bird Membership Challenge. Also, congratulations to Johnson Upper Elementary PTA, Livonia Public Schools- the winner the Striker Membership Challenge. The membership committee, partnered with the National PTA (Components Task Force) as well as other Michigan PTA committees: DEIC, By-Laws, Advocacy, etc.

Next year, we plan to rebound from the loss of membership incurred by the pandemic and continue to encourage and motivate our members to strive for excellence by improving relationships and facilitating strategies and resources to impact our students and our community which will increase membership. We can't give up on our kids, we need to move forward for them!

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Report

Jennifer Johnson, Chair

Greetings, Michigan PTA Board of Directors, Councils, Units, Members, and our supportive coalition partners! My name is Jennifer Johnson, and I humbly serve as the Chairperson for the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Outreach (DEIO) Committee for Michigan PTA.

DEIO is, first, a commitment to creating an inviting climate. Further, it is about forming respectful, trusting relationships throughout the school community, and recognizing that everyone has value. DEIO is sharing and distributing critical information about PTA and topics of concern that inform and invite and promote inclusivity, representation, and action.

As PTA members, we are successful when we can develop community support with meaningful two-way discussions focusing on student success, building relationships with families and community members, and fostering relationships with coalition partners.

The following is a brief snapshot of our year dedicated to the memory of past Michigan PTA President, the late Mrs. Sibyl Collins Wilson.

- Created Michigan PTA Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Outreach Guide and Practice for State, Councils, and Units
- Continuing with the actions of our LGBTQ protections resolution.
- Created and developed an intentional and meaningful Racial Injustice and Trauma in Children and Families position statement and Special Education webinar.
- Produced two-part social justice virtual town hall series addressing the inequities of people of color, because Black Lives Matter, Asian Hate is horrid, First Nation and Latinx communities are crucial.
- Provided scholarship opportunity information for ALL students regardless of ability, socio-economic status, and GPA
- Conducted DEI Training for our State PTA Board of Directors and Local PTA Units
- Fostered continuous relationships with our numerous coalition partners
- Provided resources for equity in voting
- Selected National PTA Jan Harp Domene Diversity and Inclusion state-level awardee

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to serve.

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Reflections Committee

Tanya Pitkin, Chair

I Matter Because...

For a year with so many of our local PTA programs on hold, it was great to see the National PTA confirm that Reflections would still be held. In Michigan, we already had virtual submission via Fluid Review in place, which definitely helped not having to learn a new system. Local leaders and chairpersons did an amazing job of meeting deadlines, communicating challenges and doing whatever it took to ensure all artists who wished to participate were able to do so.

A major predicament was promoting the Reflections program across our state. Our committee realized when the deadline came, that we only heard from one Unit not in a Council. At MiPTA we know our Councils are a vital line of communication to their units and this only solidifies it. I will be working with the committee in 2021-22 to ensure we provide more outreach to Units not in Councils and help promote the theme "I Will Change the World By..." throughout the state.

I want to thank Pauline Kim who played a critical role in the Reflections Committee this year. From reaching out to engage new judges, to communicating issues with submissions to local leaders and helping to promote the program to the media! Thank you so much, Pauline!

Congratulations to all artists who participated at a Local, State, and National level this year. We were so excited to have seven artists place at the National PTA this year.

Nominations Committee

Tanya Pitkin, Chair

This year, Michigan PTA had a few vacancies that needed to be filled. Many Nominations Committees can relate to the need to fill vacant positions and there is not always a pool of candidates ready for the challenge. Our goal was simply not to fill an empty seat, but to put the right candidate in that seat. Some of our Vice President's roles have been empty for this last term because we were unable to find the right candidate.

As we approached slating candidates for our 2021-2023 term, we looked for candidates who wanted to further their passion for areas of advocacy, field service, communications, membership, and PTA programs. We looked to Council leaders, past MiPTA board members and committee members, we read social media posts from various PTAs across the state, and much more. The committee wanted people who were already dedicated to the areas we were looking for because passion and commitment is 99% of what we do in our volunteer work.

Although we were not able to present to you a full slate, we are confident we are presenting you with candidates that are dedicated, passionate and ready to work hard to move each of these roles forward in the next two years. If we did not reach out to you, or hear from you via our Leadership Development Survey and you are passionate about one of the areas that remains vacant, it is your responsibility to let us know. If this is a role you are doing at a Council or Unit and you are excited to widen your audience to share your knowledge with our entire state, we want to know. We need to know. Please email us, call us or leave us a message on social media.

Congratulations to all of you stepping into new roles this upcoming year or dedicating your time to the same role you have been in before. PTA is grateful to have you and children everywhere are ecstatic for all you are able to give.

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Bylaws Committee

Tanya Pitkin, Chair

Bylaws can be a challenge. Each Unit, Council and State - as well as National PTA, operates under their own set of bylaws. The items that carryover from National to State and then to Units and Councils help keep us focused on our mission so that we are truly speaking with one voice for each child. Bylaws are often the place we find the answers when questions on how we operate come up which is why it is so important that we keep them current with the way we conduct business.

Over the last two years, Michigan PTA has been researching and putting together changes that remove barriers to entry and showcase our dedication to become more inclusive in every way possible. Stepping into this role, many of the proposed amendments were ready to go and we were able to shift the committee's focus to the areas that still needed work.

We know there is more work to do on our bylaws, there always is as we continue to grow and evolve with our communities. You will see a new template for Council and Unit bylaws become available in the early fall that will address virtual aspects of how some of you hold meetings and voting. Please reach out to join our committee if you have an interest in bylaws or let us know if you have questions, we are always here to help.

After meeting with the committee and the Board of Directors, we feel the proposed amendments we are putting forward are solid steps in making Michigan PTA more inclusive and with less barriers.

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2021 Federal Legislative Chair Convention Report by Carin Meyer

This year has been a wonderful challenge in advocacy with no signs of change as we look to the 2021/22 school year. In March we had our National PTA Legislative Conference. Not surprisingly, it was virtual. This ended up being one of the best parts as it allowed for twenty-five advocates from around the state to join in this effort, most for the first time.

We were able to speak to Federal Michigan Members of Congress on issues that impact our children around the state: from the importance of including schools in any infrastructure bill package (We still hope to see this happen this summer.), to the continuation of free meals for all students for the next school year (The USDA is continuing this program for the 2021/22 school year.). For all the details of what we discussed at our meetings please see pta.org/home/events/National-PTA-Legislative-Conference/resources. We met with the bulk of the offices that day; however, the goal was to meet with them all, which we ended up doing even as it took us seven weeks longer. We had meetings with the offices of both Senators and all fourteen Federal Members of the House. Every child. One Voice. goes from Marquette to Monroe and everywhere in between.

Even though the National PTA's Legislative Conference is over, advocacy at the Federal level goes on. The American Rescue Plan Act includes a mandate that school districts reach out to stakeholders to share information and ask for input. It is to that end that we created a short video to get your PTA started. Please see michiganpta.org/covid-19-related-resources to view it and find resources to help your efforts. In April, the Michigan PTA signed onto a National PTA letter to the Chair and Ranking Members of the Federal House and Senate asking for an increase in grants to help combat shortages for school mental health providers, such as social workers and counselors.

In June, the Michigan PTA signed onto another National PTA letter during the United States Department of Education's open comment period regarding Title XI. (cont.)

This letter addressed ensuring an educational environment free from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, transgender status, sex stereotypes, or sex characteristics. Every Child. One Voice. is working to make sure that all students receive an education where they feel safe and valued.

I am the Northville Council of PTAs Advocacy Chair and together with Mike Testa, the Livonia PTA Council Advocacy Chair, we interviewed Eric Wolcott who is a government and policy expert from the MSU Government Extension Program regarding School Boards and the Open Meetings Act. This can be found at michiganpta.org/advocacy. This video provides clarification around how you can engage with your School Board. While it is not a federal issue, we realize that many of us are attending more School Board meetings and as they work to decide how to allocate large sums from Covid19 Relief plans, taking part in these meetings has become more important than ever. Every Child. One Voice. is local, national and everything in between.

This health crisis has been devastating and difficult. We carry with us the loss of loved ones, the burden of prolonged illness, upended lives, as well as uncertainty about what lies ahead. Yet, through this I see the possibility of forward growth. We have the opportunity to come back better, to challenge our assumptions and lean into learning. I am a proud member of the Michigan PTA, a 103-year-old organization of volunteers that represents the collective value of each individual child. I am in constant admiration of the wonderful people I get to meet and work with. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments, please never hesitate to reach out. Our students are the why, but you are the who. Every Child. One Voice. includes yours.





Congratulations!

Michigan PTA Diversity, Equity,
Inclusion and Outreach Committee

Winner of the state level 2021 Jan Harp Domene
Diversity and Inclusion Award

The Jan Harp Domene Diversity and Inclusion Award recognizes PTAs that best demonstrate outstanding achievement in the areas of diversity and inclusion, as well as efforts to end discriminatory practices.

“Michigan PTA, Chappaqua District PTA and Edgemont Montessori PTA were chosen to receive our 2021 Jan Harp Domene Diversity and Inclusion Award because of their intentionality in partnering with other school and community organizations to meet the needs of their communities,” said Leslie Boggs, president of National PTA. “When we work together, we are an even more powerful voice for all children and families.”

This past year, Michigan PTA made a conscious effort to advance their diversity, equity and inclusion work by revising their policies, providing resources and trainings, and constantly being responsive to the needs of their communities. Michigan PTA’s Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Outreach Committee partnered with their Student Involvement Committee to produce a virtual town hall on “The Effect of Racial Trauma on Youth and Families in the African American Community,” as well as a second virtual town hall on “Uncomfortable, Necessary Conversations About Racial Trauma in Middle and High School Curriculums.” Additionally, the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Outreach Committee produced a webinar on “Equity in Special Education: Neurodiverse Populations.” Each event featured a diverse panel including teachers, administrators, parents, students and PTA leaders of different ethnicities and backgrounds. Michigan PTA has been intentional in amplifying anti-racist and social justice practices and policies in their PTA. They have also developed and maintained relationships with partners including the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention—Michigan, Affirmations LGBTQ Community, Michigan Organization for Adolescent Sexual Health, NAACP, and ACLU, as well as with elected and appointed local and federal officials, to provide their membership with resources for the betterment of students and families.

“It is essential that we understand, value and embrace the uniqueness of all individuals, appreciating that each contributes a diversity of views, experiences, cultural heritage/traditions, skills/abilities, values and preferences—which enriches and strengthens our nation,” added Nathan R. Monell, CAE, National PTA executive director. “When we ensure that all communities have a voice and that their perspectives and needs are represented, we gain strength and effectiveness in helping schools improve and ensuring all children realize their full potential.”

MICHIGAN PTA
Fran Anderson
Scholarship

The Fran Anderson Michigan PTA Scholarship was created to recognize high school seniors who have demonstrated leadership and advocacy skills through participation in PTA. A minimum of one \$1,000 scholarship is awarded each year and additional scholarships and/or scholarships of varying amounts are awarded based on available funds.

The late Fran Anderson, past Michigan PTA President, always demonstrated the highest level of advocacy for all children and her leadership continues to have a positive impact on Michigan PTA. To honor her many years of being a champion for children, the scholarship was named in her honor.

Scholarship recipients are selected by a committee comprised of Michigan PTA Past Presidents based on the following criteria: PTA/PTSA involvement, essay, community service, additional activities, academics and letters of recommendation.



| Year | Name | High School/City |
|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2007 | Richard Jenkins | Allen Park High/Allen Park |
| 2008 | Christopher Naffze | Franklin High/Livonia |
| 2009 | Andrew Lyon | Edsel Ford High/Dearborn |
| 2010 | Kaleb Bell | Crockett Technical High/Detroit |
| 2011 | Kristin Garr | Rochester High/Rochester |
| 2012 | Jessica Nahas | Hazel Park High/Hazel Park |
| 2013* | Kate Diehl | Farmington High/Farmington |
| | Kathleen George | North Farmington High/Farmington |
| | Kevin Cline | Stoney Creek High/Rochester Hills |
| 2014 | Erin McDonald | Churchill High/Livonia |
| | Michelle Zabat | Stoney Creek High/Rochester Hills |
| | Brenden Wilk | Churchill High/Livonia |
| 2015 | Olivia Rollinger | North Farmington High/Farmington |
| | Elizabeth Hasley | Royal Oak High/Royal Oak |
| | Maya Jamison | Harrison High/Farmington Hills |
| 2016 | Nicholas Luty | Harrison High/Farmington Hills |
| | Grace Tolen | Churchill High/Livonia |
| | Jennifer Cline | Stoney Creek High/Rochester Hills |
| 2017 | Steven Szymanski | Allen Park High/Allen Park |
| | Alexis Browning | Franklin High/Livonia |
| 2018 ^R | Andrew Dinner | Clarkston High/Clarkston |
| | Calvin Withun | Churchill High/Livonia |
| | Nia Bailey-Hill | Farmington High/Farmington |
| | Nya Todd | Harrison High/Farmington |
| 2019 | Christiana Benson | Franklin High/Livonia |
| | Taja Carroll | Farmington High/Farmington |
| | Shaliz Eboh | Farmington High/Farmington |
| | Kyle Waligora | Allen Park High/Allen Park |
| | Malcolm Wang ^o | Northville High/Northville |
| 2020 | Cole Jones | Rochester High/Rochester |
| | Abby Reay | Allen Park High/Allen Park |
| | Catherine Luty | Farmington High/Farmington |
| | Robert Lamey | Walled Lake High/Walled Lake |
| | Ankan Sur | Walled Lake High/Walled Lake |
| 2021 | Jannath Aurfan | Farmington High/Farmington |
| | Aaron Crank | Allen Park High/Allen Park |
| | Mariel Luecke | Allen Park High/Allen Park |
| | Akhila Mullapudi | Farmington High/Farmington |

*Beginning in 2013, the committee expanded to add runner-up scholarships.
^RBeginning with the Centennial in 2018, the goal is to offer renewable scholarships.
^oMalcolm Wang was also awarded a joint scholarship from Michigan PTA and the American Federation of Teachers in 2019.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Send your membership dues to MIPTA by the 28th each month.

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| Unit and Council Renewal and Officer Updates in MemberHub | Begins June 1, 2021 |
| Submit Board of Directors Speaking/Visit Requests for Fall 2020 and Founders' Day Schedule | September 15 |
| 990 filing date with IRS (for most Units/Councils) | November 15 |
| Standards of Affiliation (SOA)* deadline (Dues, Audit, Budget, Copy of 990, Officers, Bylaw, Insurance) | December 1 |
| Submitting Board of Directors Speaking/Visit Requests for Spring/Summer 2021 | January 15 |
| Submitting Resolutions for consideration at Convention | March 1 |
| Fran Anderson Scholarship Deadline | April 1 |
| Michigan PTA Awards Deadline | April 15 |

Satisfying Standard of Affiliation allows Units/Councils to participate in all State and National Awards, Grants and Programs.

Please note that when a Unit/Council applies for a National PTA award/grant/program, Michigan PTA is contacted before the award/grant/program is dispersed and if the Unit/Council has not satisfied the Standards of Affiliation (SOA), that entity will be disqualified for the award/grant/program, per Michigan PTA's affiliation agreement with National PTA.

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Explore the Arts and Express Yourself National PTA's Reflections program provides opportunities for recognition and access to the arts which boost student confidence and success in the arts and in life.

Each year, over 300,000 students in Pre-K through Grade 12 create original works of art in response to a student-selected theme. This 50+ year-old program helps them explore their own thoughts, feelings and ideas, develop artistic literacy, increase confidence and find a love for learning that will help them become more successful in school and in life.

The theme for the 2021-2022 program year is I Will Change the World By.... Students submit their completed works of art in one or all of the available arts categories: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, Visual Arts.

Michigan PTA Reflections Winners 2020-2021

Music



High School

- Outstanding Interpretation - Mitchell Roth, "The Difference of the Sum", North Farmington High School PTSA, Farmington
- Award of Excellence - Mythrie Rahulan, "Can You Hear Me?", Walled Lake Western High School PTSA, Walled Lake
- Award of Merit - Greta Hugen, "What Makes Life Beautiful", Adams High School PTA, Rochester
- Honorable Mention - Ameen Abou-Rjaily, "Ruminations", Northville High School, PTSA, Northville

Intermediate

- Outstanding Interpretation - Alina Ju, "I Matter Because I Am Me", North Hill Elementary PTA, Rochester
- Award of Excellence - Sami Hadjit, "Working Hard", Amerman PTA Northville
- Award of Merit - Emma Garland, "I Matter Because", North Hill Elementary PTA, Rochester
- Honorable Mention - Desmond Rice II, "My Voice Counts", Birmingham Covington 3-8 PTSA, Birmingham

Middle

- Outstanding Interpretation - Aarush Deka, "Me, Myself, and I", James R. Geisler Middle School PTSA, Walled Lake
- Award of Excellence - Charlisa Penzak, "I Can Make a Difference", Birmingham Covington 3-8 PTSA, Birmingham
- Award of Merit - Jackson Otlewski, "Connection", West Middle School PTA, Rochester
- Honorable Mention - Adele McKean, "I Matter Because", West Middle School PTA, Rochester

Primary

- Outstanding Interpretation - Adalena Trachsel, "I matter Because of You", North Hill Elementary PTA, Rochester
- Award of Excellence - Inioluwa Odunleye, "I Matter Because...", Hickory Woods Elementary PTA, Walled Lake
- Award of Merit - Lyra Backus, "The Heart", Coolidge PTA, Livonia
- Honorable Mention - Jacob Sawmiller, "The Me Special", Forest Elementary PTA, Farmington

Michigan PTA Reflections Winners 2020-2021

Film



High School

- Outstanding Interpretation - Zoe Zagar, "My Journey", Stevenson High School PTSA, Livonia
- Award of Excellence - Riley Budai, "The Mind of Someone with Mental Illness", Walled Lake Western High School PTSA, Walled Lake
- Award of Merit - Cecelia Carner, "I Matter Because", Walled Lake Western High School PTSA, Walled Lake
- Honorable Mention - Nila Muthusamy, "Why We Matter", Northville High School PTSA, Northville

Middle

- Outstanding Interpretation - Dayton Kress, "What Would Be", Power PTSA, Farmington
- Award of Excellence - Charlisa Penzak, "I Matter", Birmingham Covington 3-8 PTSA, Birmingham
- Award of Merit - Arielle Levy, "You", Birmingham Covington 3-8 PTSA, Birmingham
- Honorable Mention - Ariana Rogers, "The Assignment That Matters", Farmington STEAM Academy PTSA, Farmington

Intermediate

- Outstanding Interpretation - Sarah Jones, "Reasons I Matter", Greenfield Elementary PTA, Birmingham
- Award of Excellence - Marie Graentzdoerffer, "The People Say", Bingham Farms Elementary PTA, Birmingham
- Award of Merit - Zac Mittelstaedt, "I Matter Because", Birmingham Covington 3-8 PTSA, Birmingham
- Honorable Mention - Landon Meteyer, "My Music Matters", Musson Elementary PTA, Rochester

Primary

- Outstanding Interpretation - Peyton Adelson, "I Matter Because I Am Me", Harlan PTA, Birmingham
- Award of Excellence - Evelyn Vavrick, "Dancing to the Beat", North Hill Elementary PTA, Rochester

Special Artist

- Outstanding Interpretation - Joey Gallagher, "Joey Matters Because", Groves High School PTSA, Birmingham

2020-2021 Reflections Michigan Winners Announced

Congratulations!



Michigan PTA Reflections Winners 2020-2021

Literature



High School

- Outstanding Interpretation - Audrey Wu, "The Cry That Woke the Universe", Northville High School PTSA, Northville
- Award of Excellence - Isabella Farah, "Why We Matter", Walled Lake Northern PTSA, Walled Lake
- Award of Merit - Evelyn Wilson, "Lilacs", Seaholm High School PTSA, Birmingham
- Honorable Mention - Aurora Pillars-Capoccia, "My Underground Paradise, Otherworldly States Matter", Rochester High School PTA, Rochester

Middle School

- Outstanding Interpretation - Elena Recinto, "The Waning Moon", Warner PTA, Farmington
- Award of Excellence - Lila Tasdemir, "Just Believe", Warner PTA, Farmington
- Award of Merit - Alana Roseman, "Valuable", Warner PTA, Farmington
- Honorable Mention - Sovay Livingstone, "Always and Forever", Power PTSA, Farmington

Intermediate

- Outstanding Interpretation - Aishani Das, "I Matter Because", University Hills PTA, Rochester
- Award of Excellence - Farrah Marshall, "My Small Voice/SPEAK UP", Gill Elementary PTA, Farmington
- Award of Merit - Simreen Patel, "I Matter Because: The Environment", Birmingham Covington 3-8 PTSA, Birmingham
- Honorable Mention - Danni Carruthers, "Fascinated by Nature", Long Meadow Elementary PTA, Rochester

Primary

- Outstanding Interpretation - Rishith Cherukara, "I Matter Because", North Hill Elementary PTA, Rochester
- Award of Excellence - Riya Mohan, "I Matter Because I Am Living", Musson Elementary PTA, Rochester
- Award of Merit - Shubhi Agrawal, "I Matter Because", Webster Elementary PTA, Livonia
- Honorable Mention - Goutham Senthilkumar, "All Matters!", Hampton Elementary PTA, Rochester

Special Artist

- Tyler Austin, "We All Matter", Groves High School PTSA, Birmingham



Michigan PTA Reflections Winners 2020-2021

Photography



High School

- Outstanding Interpretation - Sreja Vallem, "A Sprout", Northville High School PTSA, Northville
- Award of Excellence - Reeya Sannake, "Walk With Confidence Not Fear", Adams High School PTA, Rochester
- Award of Merit - Calvin Murdick, "Rocky Beach", Farmington High School PTSA, Farmington
- Honorable Mention - Jaden Bachrach, "Onward And Upward", Walled Lake Central High School PTSA, Walled Lake

Middle

- Outstanding Interpretation - Brooke Feller, "One Step at a Time", Hillside Middle School PTSA, Northville
- Award of Excellence - Ethan Rass, "Small But Mighty", Berkshire Middle School PTSA, Birmingham
- Award of Merit - Alana Roseman, "Everything Has Value", Warner PTA, Farmington
- Honorable Mention - Sriyansh Priyadarshi, "My Brother's Million Dollar Laugh", Frost Middle School PTSA, Livonia

Intermediate

- Outstanding Interpretation - Taylor Kotila, "Small Choices, Big Impact", Birmingham Covington 3-8 PTSA, Birmingham
- Award of Excellence - Emma Thomas, "Scrabbled Matter", Ridge Wood Elementary PTA, Northville
- Award of Merit - Mehulee Mondal, "Out of Focus", Amerman Elementary PTA, Northville
- Honorable Mention - Hardik Kumar Vijayakumar, "Preserve Nature", Webster Elementary PTA, Livonia

Primary

- Outstanding Interpretation - Rishith Cherukara, "Make Yourself Matter", North Hill Elementary PTA, Rochester
- Award of Excellence - Nella Allen, "Love", Hillside Elementary PTA, Farmington
- Award of Merit - Brynn Urban, "Small Caterpillar in a Big World", Long Meadow Elementary PTA, Rochester
- Honorable Mention - Brennan Lamey, "Beach Rocks", Forest Elementary PTA, Farmington

Special Artist

- Outstanding Interpretation - Carter Tonnie, "Splash!", Power PTA, Farmington

Michigan PTA Reflections Winners 2020-2021

Visual Arts



High School

- Outstanding Interpretation - Ananya Prashar, "My Voice Matters", Stoney Creek High School PTA, Rochester
- Award of Excellence - Olivia VanAcker, "A 'Peace' of the Puzzle", Churchill High School PTSA, Livonia
- Award of Merit - Emma Szabo, "Dancing for the Universe", Stevenson High School PTSA, Livonia
- Honorable Mention - Mythrie Rahulan, "A Droplet of Water", Walled Lake Western High School PTSA, Walled Lake

Middle School

- Outstanding Interpretation - Brianna Murphy, "Love to Hate Me", Warner PTA, Farmington
- Award of Excellence - Alyssa Vidershain, "I Matter Because Everyone in the World Matters", James R. Geisler Middle School PTSA, Walled Lake
- Award of Merit - Lucianna Lothamer, "Chaos & Me", Frost Middle School PTSA, Livonia
- Honorable Mention - Zainab Ahmed, "Pondering About My Importance", Farmington STEAM Academy PTSA, Farmington

Intermediate

- Outstanding Interpretation - Laura De La O Sosa, "We Are the Future", Amerman Elementary PTA, Northville
- Award of Excellence - Jasmine Ng, "The Family Puzzle", North Hill Elementary PTA, Rochester
- Award of Merit - Maren Greve, "I Give a Voice To Those Who Don't Have One", Long Meadow Elementary PTA, Rochester
- Honorable Mention - Sai Pranav Ananthula, "Tree of Diversity", Longacre PTA, Farmington

Primary

- Outstanding Interpretation - Alexis Tsang, "I Matter to My Family", Webster Elementary PTA, Livonia
- Award of Excellence - Brooklyn Przybylo, "The Shooting Star", Quarton Elementary PTA, Birmingham
- Award of Merit - Mira Lytle, "Shining in the Dark", Farmington STEAM Academy PTSA, Farmington
- Honorable Mention - Erik Brown, "A Helpful Hand", Ridge Wood Elementary PTA, Northville

Special Artist

- Outstanding Interpretation - Conner Larson, "I Matter", Clifford Smart PTSA, Walled Lake
- Award of Excellence - Tyler Austin, "Campaign Art Display", Groves High School PTSA, Birmingham
- Award of Merit - Cecelia Spiekerman, "I Matter Because", Loon Lake PTA, Walled Lake

Michigan PTA Reflections Winners 2020-2021

Dance



High School

- Outstanding Interpretation - Elizabeth Roessler, "Land of All", Seaholm High School PTSA, Birmi
- Award of Merit - Farah Shakir, "Because...", Farmington High School PTSA, Farmington
- Honorable Mention - Alexis Harvey, "Always Enough", North Farmington High School PTSA, Farmington

Middle School

- Outstanding Interpretation - Nina Kobayashi, "A Dance Called Discovery", Farmington STEAM Academy PTSA, Farmington
- Award of Excellence - Grace Youn, "Light in the Darkness", Birmingham Covington 3-8 PTSA, Birmingham
- Award of Merit - Faith Jones, "Naturally Me", James R. Geisler Middle School PTSA, Walled Lake
- Honorable Mention - Abigail Murphy, "Joy of Dance", Birmingham Covington 3-8 PTSA, Birmingham
- Honorable Mention - Huxley Pillars, "One Boy Dances a New Path of Fire Into the World", West Middle School PTA, Rochester

Intermediate

- Outstanding Interpretation - Bhavya Singla, "Hoverboard Robot Dance", Farmington STEAM Academy PTSA, Farmington
- Award of Excellence - Emme Kramer, "Rainbow", Birmingham Covington 3-8 PTSA, Birmingham
- Award of Merit - Annie Castellanos, "Cloud 9", North Hill Elementary PTA, Rochester
- Honorable Mention - Micah Anderson, "Brown Skin Girl", Hillside Elementary PTA, Farmington

Primary

- Outstanding Interpretation - Jolin Van Acker, "Because She Mattered", Kennedy PTA, Livonia
- Award of Excellence - Jameson Hoover, "I Can Do Anything", Kenbrook PTA, Farmington
- Award of Merit - Arsenia Wittek, "Feeling the Beat", Cleveland Elementary PTA, Livonia
- Honorable Mention - Dedeepya Siremamilla, "Oh Baby!", Hillside Elementary PTA, Farmington



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Call to Convention

August 5-8, 2021



Convention Schedule

(subject to change)

Thursday, August 5

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
General Session 1

Friday, August 6

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Social Hour with MiPTA Board of Directors

Saturday, August 7

9:00 am - 4:30 pm
General Sessions, Speakers, and Workshops

11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Using MI School Data and the Parent Dashboard to find information on your school

11:00 am - 12:00 pm
AIM

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Branding/Communications

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Developing the Next Generation of Little Allies

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Parliamentary Procedures

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
How to spend Money and How to Raise Money

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm
Outreach, barriers, and resources for kinship care

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm
Advocacy Basics

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm
Using MemberHub for Communication and Compliance

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm
Project Planning

Sunday, August 8

9:00 am - 12:30 pm
Workshops, Speakers and General Session

9:00 am - 10:00 am
Online Stores and Fundraiser Campaigns, etc.

9:00 am - 10:00 am
Leading DEI: Walking the Talk

9:00 am - 10:00 am
Facilitating Difficult Conversations

10:15 am - 11:15 am
A Timeline for Transition from Special Education to Adult Services

10:15 am - 11:15 am
Advanced Advocacy

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