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The Arts in Education Committee is composed of the Diversity Chair, the Reflections Sub-committee Chair and additional members appointed by the President.

The appointed Arts in Education Chair is a Standing Committee Chair and automatically a member of the Arizona PTA Board of Managers and must be a member of a local PTA/PTSA unit.

The Board of Managers has all powers and authority over the affairs of the Arizona PTA during the interim between annual conventions. The Board of Managers has regularly scheduled meetings which the Arts in Education Chair would attend and report on their activities and vote on items necessary to keep Arizona PTA functioning.

The Board of Managers consists of 22 available positions including the elected officers, Standing Committee Chairs and 2 Youth members. If a member of the National PTA Board of Directors or National PTA National Constituent Association Advisory Committee resides in Arizona they may serve as a non-voting member of the Board of Managers.

The Arts in Education Committee shall utilize National PTA programs and information as well as community information on the Arts and share it with local PTA/PTSA units and PTA/PTSA councils.

The Arts in Education Committee shall encourage more participation in the Arts.

The Arts in Education Committee guided by the Reflections Sub-committee Chair will administer the National PTA Reflections program for Arizona PTA and participants from local PTA/PTSA units and PTA/PTSA councils.

The Reflections Program has 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.
✓ Students participate in the appropriate division for their grade: Primary (Pre-K - Grade 2), Intermediate (Grades 3-5), Middle School (Grades 6-8), High School (Grades 9-12), Special Artist (All grades welcome). **Students who identify as having a disability and may receive services under IDEA or ADA: Section 504 may enter the Special Artist Division or grade division most closely aligned to their functional abilities.**
✓ The Diversity Committee with the Reflections Sub-committee Chair should work with National PTA to support the Local/PTA/PTSA units and Council PTA/PTSAs through the Reflections program. Student winners from the Arizona PTA level could advance to the national level for recognition and **awards**.
✓ There is an annual National PTA Reflections theme search, and the Arts in Education Committee with the Reflections sub-committee Chair is responsible for sharing information on the contest and getting theme suggestions submitted. The annual Reflections theme is created by a student and selected two years in advance through the national PTA annual theme search contest.
✓ Members of the Arts in Education Committee might do outreach to local PTA/PTSA units regarding the arts, do workshops and or displays at conferences or the annual Arizona PTA convention, provide information and articles for the newsletter, website or for social media, etc. Meet with other groups such as the Arizona Arts Alliance, Phoenix Office of Arts and Culture, etc.as approved by the Board of Managers. An award ceremony with trophies or certificates, etc. along with a gallery display of Arizona PTA Reflections program winners' art may be held.
✓ The Arts in Education Chair/Committee would produce an annual plan of work to be approved by the Board of Managers then seek to complete their plan.
✓ Minutes should be taken at all Arts in Education Committee meetings.
Convention Chair / Convention Committee

- The Convention Committee is composed of the Convention Chair appointed by the President and sub-committee chairs recommended by the Convention Committee and appointed by the President.
- The appointed Convention Chair is a Standing Committee Chair and automatically a member of the Arizona PTA Board of Managers and must be a member of a local PTA/PTSA unit.
- The Board of Managers has all powers and authority over the affairs of the Arizona PTA during the interim between annual conventions. The Board of Managers has regularly scheduled meetings which the Diversity Chair would attend and report on their activities and vote on items necessary to keep Arizona PTA functioning.
- The Board of Managers consists of 22 available positions including the elected officers, Standing Committee Chairs and 2 Youth members. If a member of the National PTA Board of Directors or National PTA National Constituent Association Advisory Committee resides in Arizona they may serve as a non-voting member of the Board of Managers.
- The Convention Committee shall be responsible for the implementation of the plans developed and the budget approved by the Board of Managers.
- The Convention Chair/Committee would produce an annual plan of work to be approved by the Board of Managers then seek to complete their plan.
- Convention Sub-committees may include registration, rules, theme, membership awards, local PTA/PTSA unit awards, workshops, theme, donations, events, program, volunteers, schedule, vendors/exhibits, guests including Past Presidents, etc.
- Members of the Convention Committee might do outreach to local PTA/PTSA units and elsewhere to seek volunteers, donations, participating vendors and workshop presenters, etc.
- The Convention Chair shall attend the complete Convention and related meetings. The Executive Committee may select Convention Committee members as deemed necessary for the proper function of the convention whose convention site expenses may be paid by Arizona PTA, within the limits of the Convention budget.
- Minutes should be taken at all Convention Committee meetings.
Diversity Chair / Diversity Committee

- The Diversity Committee is composed of the Diversity Chair and other members appointed by the President.
- The appointed Diversity Chair is a Standing Committee Chair and automatically a member of the Arizona PTA Board of Managers and must be a member of a local PTA/PTSA unit.
- The Board of Managers has all powers and authority over the affairs of the Arizona PTA during the interim between annual conventions. The Board of Managers has regularly scheduled meetings which the Diversity Chair would attend and report on their activities and vote on items necessary to keep Arizona PTA functioning.
- The Board of Managers consists of 22 available positions including the elected officers, Standing Committee Chairs and 2 Youth members. If a member of the National PTA Board of Directors or National PTA National Constituent Association Advisory Committee resides in Arizona they may serve as a non-voting member of the Board of Managers.
- The Diversity Committee promotes the engagement, outreach and involvement of diverse populations at all levels of PTA within Arizona as outlined by National PTA guidelines.
- PTAs everywhere must understand and embrace the uniqueness of all individuals, appreciating that each contributes a diversity of views, experiences, cultural heritage/traditions, skills/abilities, values and preferences.
- When PTAs respect differences yet acknowledge shared commonalities uniting their communities, and then develop meaningful priorities based upon their knowledge, they genuinely represent their communities. When PTAs represent their communities, they gain strength and effectiveness through increased volunteer and resource support.
- The recognition of diversity within organizations is valuing differences and similarities in people through actions and accountability.
- These differences and similarities include age, ethnicity, language and culture, economic status, educational background, gender, geographic location, marital status, mental ability, national origin, organizational position and tenure, parental status, physical ability, political philosophy, race, religion, sexual orientation, and work experience.
Therefore, PTAs at every level must:

- Openly assess beliefs and practices to assure inclusiveness and guard against discrimination;
- Make every effort to create a PTA board and membership that is inclusive and reflective of its community;
- Encourage that all PTA activities at the school be planned by a committee which is representative of the population;
- Foster programs and practices that eliminate bias, prejudice and misunderstanding within their communities;
- Become acquainted with the leaders of the many diverse groups in the community and collaborate with them to increase parent, family and community involvement;
- Educate its leaders and members to the needs, cultural beliefs, traditions and family structures of the population they serve; and
- Propose change wherever discriminatory practices are perceived.

- PTA values and appreciates diversity, which enriches and strengthens the structure of our society within our state and nation.
- The Diversity Committee can keep up with PTA’s latest resources at [www.pta.org/diversity](http://www.pta.org/diversity)
- Members of the Diversity Committee might do outreach to local PTA/PTSA units regarding diversity, do workshops and or displays at conferences or the annual Arizona PTA convention, provide information and articles for the newsletter, website or for social media, etc. Meet with other groups as approved by the Board of Managers.
- The Diversity Chair/Committee would develop an annual plan of work to be approved by the Board of Managers then seek to complete their plan.
- Minutes should be taken at all Diversity Committee meetings.
Family and Community Engagement Chair / Committee

✓ The Family and Community Engagement Committee is composed of the Family and Community Engagement Chair and other members appointed by the President.
✓ The appointed Family and Community Chair is a Standing Committee Chair and automatically a member of the Arizona PTA Board of Managers and must be a member of a local PTA/PTSA unit.
✓ The Board of Managers has all powers and authority over the affairs of the Arizona PTA during the interim between annual conventions. The Board of Managers has regularly scheduled meetings which the Diversity Chair would attend and report on their activities and vote on items necessary to keep Arizona PTA functioning.
✓ The Board of Managers consists of 22 available positions including the elected officers, Standing Committee Chairs and 2 Youth members. If a member of the National PTA Board of Directors or National PTA National Constituent Association Advisory Committee resides in Arizona they may serve as a non-voting member of the Board of Managers.
✓ Members of the Family and Community Engagement Committee might do outreach to local PTA/PTSA units regarding Family and community engagement, do workshops and or displays at conferences or the annual Arizona PTA convention, provide information and articles for the newsletter, website or for social media, etc. Meet with other groups as approved by the Board of Managers.
✓ The Family and Community Engagement Chair/Committee shall work to involve families and the greater community in the lives of children and Arizona PTA.
✓ The Family and Community Engagement Chair/Committee shall utilize National PTA programs in its work and also share National PTA grant information regarding families accordingly. The Family and Community Engagement Chair/Committee should be familiar with National Standards for Family-School Partnerships, and share information regarding them. (www.pta.org/the-center-for-family-engagement)
✓ The Family and Community Engagement Chair/Committee would develop an annual plan of work to be approved by the Board of Managers then seek to complete their plan.
✓ Minutes should be taken at all Family and Community Engagement Committee meetings.
Nominations from the Floor:

In the event that a person would like to be nominated from the floor at the Arizona PTA annual convention, the nominee for office must meet all the qualifying criteria. Any member planning to make a nomination for an office from the convention floor or any member planning to run from the floor for an office must advise the Arizona PTA President not less than twenty-one (21) days prior to General Meeting one (1) of the annual Arizona PTA convention and the nominee’s consent must have been secured by that time. The nominating committee chair shall verify the nominees' credentials.

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Officers are elected at the Annual Arizona PTA Convention. To run for any open position please complete this INTERESTED NOMINATION PACKET and email president@azpta.org.