

- As I mentioned in my report on May 3, officers were officially elected to serve on the 17th District PTA board for 2023-2025 effective 7/1/23. My successor as 5th VP Education/Health is Colette Rudd. Colette is a past 17th District PTA president, past State PTA officer, current 17th District PTA parliamentarian, and has been involved in San Mateo schools and county work for many years. We will meet to transition positions shortly. I have been elected secretary and will continue volunteering on the 17th District PTA board.

- National PTA will be holding a virtual convention: **PTA Con 2023 Live: #Here for the Kids** beginning tomorrow. Business to be considered by the delegates includes: election of officers, bylaws amendments, and, most notably, a proposal to increase the National PTA dues rate (portion per member forwarded) from \$2.25 to \$4.00, a \$1.75 increase. Additionally, delegates will consider the adoption of four resolutions:

- 1) **Hazing** <https://www.pta.org/docs/default-source/files/events/convention/2023/hazing-resolution-amended-rev.pdf>
- 2) **Safe Storage of Firearms** <https://www.pta.org/docs/default-source/files/events/convention/2023/resolution-on-safe-storage-of-firearms.pdf>
- 3) **Protection of and Support for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer/Questioning (LGBTQ+) Individuals** <https://www.pta.org/docs/default-source/files/events/convention/2023/lgbtq-resolution-amended.pdf> and
- 4) **Seizure Safe Schools** <https://www.pta.org/docs/default-source/files/events/convention/2023/resolution-on-seizure-safe-schools.pdf>

Resolutions provide authority for National and State PTA, as well as local constituent associations, to take positions on legislation impacting children and families.

- 17th District PTA held virtual training for incoming officers on June 7th with 93 incoming officers in attendance.

- Unfortunately, I will be unable to attend this SMCOE board meeting as we are having a district PTA board meeting concurrently. I will be out of town on June 28th so I will miss that one as well. I've enjoyed contributing public comment and observing your meetings.

- Thank you to all who joined a local PTA this year, or joined the at-large unit, Golden State PTA. Golden State PTA supports graduating high school senior scholarships with a donation every year. This year, California State PTA awarded a total of \$35,000 to 33 students throughout California and this would not be possible without your support.

Thank you for allowing me to share in detail to illustrate how PTA remains at the forefront of advocacy, communications, leadership development, and family engagement and how we are excited to continue this work collaboratively in San Mateo County.

I am excited you will soon meet both Colette and our incoming president, Juanita Flores.