Leadership Town Hall General Questions

Should we be recording Unit Association meetings held virtually? Are we allowed to record the meetings?

You can only record the meetings if you have the permission of all those on the call. Remember, even if you record the meeting, the secretary still needs to take accurate minutes of the actions the board voted on.

How to post information for the association meeting and not have it get in non-member hands.

You can have members who are attending the meeting sign up before hand and make sure you have their email address. You can then email the important documents to all those who are attending.

The PTAEz is not working well, when are you going to fix it? Only the President is allowed to log it, but what happens when the President does not know too much about the program or technologies?

Currently, others may log on to PTAEZ. There are different levels of access for each board member who logs in. Your Council or District leaders can help you set up your account access.

Will we be able to continue PTA association meetings by zoom during the school year? Would love to know if there will be any consideration of approving a bylaws change that allows for virtual Executive Board AND Association meetings even once we are able to meet in person. We have found that we have more members joining the Association meeting virtually than we ever had in person, and it's very easy to email them through Totem.

Currently, General Association meeting via virtual meeting is only allowed through June 30th. We are considering extending that date but there have been no decisions made on virtual meetings in the future.

How do we collect historian reports when the units can't get a good idea of how many volunteer hours there are? and they can't get in touch with volunteers?

We usually have to guesstimate hours for the final few weeks of the school year. This year, we will need to use an approximation of how many hours our volunteers actually volunteered. I would suggest reviewing previous years reports to come up with your number for this fiscal year.
Are there any PTA discounts for video chat service programs?

Not at this time.

I know teachers have unlimited time on zoom. Can PTA get unlimited access to time limit too?

Not at this time but I would see if you can sign up your PTA under your school name and see if you can get the unlimited access.

We currently do not have a Diversity & Inclusion Committee. Does it fall under Membership or Programs?

I think there are many areas that this committee could fall under. It could even be a stand-alone committee that reported to the president. I think your board needs to decide what you are hoping to accomplish with this committee and see where it would fit best.

What if Board members/Association members do not want to return to campus, even after they are "officially" opened up?

No one can be forced to return to campus once school opens. Every PTA board will need to evaluate what works best for them. If individuals do not want to return to in person meetings, they may need to reconsider their position on the board or see if there is a way to allow this person to participate via teleconferencing.

Are District Annual Historian Reports still due to CAPTA on June 1?

Yes, they are.

As far as givebacks go & as long as we are socially distancing, are we still able to host a "drive through" Spaghetti Dinner Night?

This is something you would need to discuss with your School District.

Does the association have to vote on the Proposed Budget and Calendar? Does any kind of approval need to be put in the minutes at the last meeting of the year?

Yes, the General Association needs to vote on your proposed budget and calendar. These votes should be included in the minutes that the secretary takes. Also any back up materials, such as the budget and the calendar should be given to the secretary to include in the permanent record of the meeting.