## Thomas Middle School PTA General PTA Business Meeting January 14, 2025 at 7PM

- I. Call to Order: 8 in person, 3 via Zoom
- II. Approval of Minutes-Last meeting and Budget meeting all approved
- **III.** Reports of Officers
  - Treasurer's Report
    - \* Excess funds approvals are being shared, receipts expected in the next month or two
    - \* Cheddar Up going to be used in the future
  - Vice President's Report
    - \* Bylaws and procedure guide review to be starting soon
  - Teacher Liaison Report
    - \* Thank you for conferences luncheon and donut surprise day
  - Principal's Report
    - \* Attitude of Gratitude
      - a) Thank you for excess funds
      - b) Thank you to parents who are following traffic guidelines, attendance, and arrival times
      - c) Student connectedness and sport activity survey
        coming to students during homeroom, want to be sure
        that all students have a trusted adult in the building
    - \* Fudabukai exchange coming this spring

- \* Continuing to work on grading practices, grading guidelines to be shared with families soon
- \* Winter MAP testing wrapping up tomorrow
- \* Spring Testing
  - a) Illinois Science Assessment First week of March
  - b) Illinois Assessment of Readiness First week of April
  - c) Spring MAP late April/early May
- \* Transitions into and out of TMS are already beginning!
- \* Wrapping up basketball
- \* Still going wrestling, volleyball, dance
- \* Spring play auditions coming soon
- \* Spring activity event currently scheduled for March 14
- \* Student behavior committee met today and there was nothing on the agenda! Kids are doing great! Able to look at small adjustments because no big issues to address
- \* Attendance committee looking good!
- President's Report

## IV. Committee Reports

- ABC/25
  - \* TMS earned the \$2500 grant
  - \* All members who join February 15 are entered to win a special ride to school!
  - \* 28 grants awarded this year, Dana Fortunado and Sandy Belot won from TMS!

- Upcoming events
  - a) January 20, 11:30 and 12:30 shows Magic of Science at Ivy Hill, ABC25.org has signup
  - b) April 6, 1:00-4:00 Top Golf, looking for local sponsors and HS students to volunteer
- Staff Appreciation/Hospitality
  - \* Working with front office and Lori to secure dates for surprise coffee bar
  - \* Conference lunch on 3/14 Chipotle bar, signup genius coming soon for donations
- Membership & Yearbook
  - \* Clarifying what yearbook will need and how we might communicate with families who has already ordered yearbooks through school registration. If you are a PTA member then you automatically get a yearbook with your membership!
  - \* If any family needs financial support, please contact Lori
- Spiritwear
  - \* The holiday spiritwear products are in!
  - \* One last sale beginning the end of April, incoming 6th graders will be able to order too!
  - 8th grade shirts will be sold through the 8th grade committee
     this year
- Student Activities/8th grade party

- \* Reps have already begin planning the picnic
- \* June 3, 12:30-2:45
- Flower Sale Fundraiser
  - \* May 6, the week before Mother's Day
- V. Old Business
- VI. New Business
  - New officers for next year (President Elect, Treasurer, and Secretary)
- VII. Announcements Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 12, 7:00PM
- VIII. Adjourn 7:46PM