

**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**

- * **May 6, the week before Mother's Day**

VIII. Adjourn 7:46PM