



Madison Heights PTO Exec Meeting

January Meeting- Jan 6th, 2026

Tristan called the meeting to order at 8:02pm

Executive Board Members in attendance

Tristan Gandolfi-President

Myra Wintz-Vice President

Tina Jiwatram-Negrón- Co-Treasurer

Tom Ansel- Secretary

Jesse Backerman- Treasurer 2

Executive Board Meeting Summary

The PTO executive team reviewed and approved meeting minutes from the past three months while celebrating recent achievements and discussing various operational updates. The executive committee formally appointed Jesse Backerman as Treasurer 2. He will be replacing Tina Jiwatram-Negrón. The group addressed several key initiatives, including yearbook sales, food vendor operations, and the successful Fun Run fundraising event that raised over \$100,000, with detailed discussions about grant distributions and teacher requests. The conversation ended with planning for upcoming events like a golf tournament fundraiser and staff appreciation initiatives, along with transitions in leadership roles and various grant requests for classroom materials.

Minutes & Finances

October–December minutes were approved. Updates included 1099 processing, possible CD investment of savings, and a future bylaws update.

Team Celebrations

Thanks to Tom for organizing holiday bread gifts for volunteers.

Yearbook & Food Vendors

The team discussed adding “Love Lines” to yearbooks to increase revenue and moving forward with food handler certifications for volunteers selling Eddie’s Dogs and popcorn.

Food Handler Certification

Certifications will be required by March 27. A Google Form and flyer will be created; PTO will cover costs in exchange for a volunteer shift.

Treasurer Transition

Jesse will assume the Treasurer 2 role in January, with Tina coordinating training and bank transitions.

Fun Run Update

The Fun Run raised ~\$100–101k net. Teacher grants will be distributed proportionally by grade level. A retrospective meeting still needs to be scheduled.

Community & Events

A public community forum on ESA vouchers and gun safety is planned for February 5. Upcoming events include bowling (Feb 19), Family Tortilla Night (March), and Family Field Day (April).

Golf Fundraiser

Plans are underway for a golf tournament at Grass Clippings, projected to net ~\$5,000 with strong early interest and sponsorships.

Grants & Appreciation

Several grants were approved, and staff appreciation plans are being adjusted. Tina announced her departure from the executive committee, with Jesse stepping into the treasurer role.