

January 2026 PTA Meeting Minutes

- **Principal's Update**
 - Normal safety protocols in place (all the time). Doors are always locked and visitors screened.
 - If staff can see ICE agents→ Lock out (code yellow): keep kids in classrooms, monitor outside. If we are outside, we will bring kids inside. Will communicate with families.
 - Caregivers monitoring morning and dismissal, trained in deescalation (see next topic)
 - Staff is highly competent and know what to do. The school practices code yellows.
 - If ICE comes to school, Principal receives paperwork and calls MPS general counsel.
 - If kids are on busses, and we hear ICE is in the neighborhood, busses will continue. We won't take kids off busses. Priority is to get kids safely home. Busses count as part of school property.
 - Agents are not allowed to approach busses or cabs.
 - Coordinating with parks.

- **Immigration enforcement-** Christian Glanville, slides included.
 - Sanctuary schools- Many across MSP, safety is priority, supporting school and community.
 - Patrols and rapid response
 - i. Five designated spots for observation- Goal to keep ICE away from school grounds during pick up and drop off. Main role is to keep watch, and deescalate, move kids to safety. Reporting to shared chat. Remind ICE agents they must stay off school property.
 - ii. If community members respond to request for support, they report to Christian or someone in purple hat (not school).
 - Mutual aid
 - i. Emergency PTA funds available
 - ii. More to come later in meeting
 - Fundraising
 - i. Separate fundraising arm that isn't linked to PTA due to the non-profit and PTA bylaws.
 - ii. Give Butter account
 - 1. Can do to direct aid
 - 2. Extra could go to another group we are connected with at another school
 - iii. Every Meal- PTA funded (more to come with Treasurer report)
 - Advocacy

- Communication
 - i. Signal chats
 - 1. Waite Park Sanctuary- Being vetted, say you were at PTA meeting
 - a. <https://signal.group/#CjQKIPn6X7QeibGfA1PMPoSG1TV4NVlR8ZBXJAieeqNXeqM5EhDV7VPeGUerL6eXM1jDROlc>
 - 2. NE/SE Community Hub- in community
 - 3. MFPS Announcements- District wide
 - a. https://signal.group/#CjQKIBdiIgCvACzoNDGUVoDDMyANsi5tOPe_ohx6Cr5koRFOEhBbCsGgq9OeML8RnqZ2n24G
- **Treasurer's Update**
 - Give to the Max funds received almost \$2000 which is double what we usually receive. Company matches are great.
 - Buying from school gear store also provides money to PTA.
 - Community donation line is currently \$1000. We have almost spent that because we earned that through the bake sale and then donated it to SOCA food shelf.
 - We still have a good amount of grant money. Remind your teachers we have money for supplies, field trips, etc.
 - Community donation line vote- We would like to increase that by \$3000 to \$4000 total. That money will go to Every Meal, which is another nonprofit. They provide groceries to school families in need. 35-40 families will receive a weekly box through April. We can reassess after the Glow Run. Cassi made the motion. It was seconded and carried via vote on meeting chat.
- **PTA Updates and Events**
 - Glow Run
 - i. All students receive shirt, color TBD
 - ii. Two sponsors so far: Eastside Food Co-op and Katrina DeWit Engel&Volkers
 - iii. Glow Run committee forthcoming
 - iv. Kickoff is Tuesday, March 17
 - v. Glow Run is March 26 right before Spring Break
 - vi. First shift of Glow Run is going to be sensory friendly.
 - Feb 6 Timberwolves game- 80 tickets reserved, kids are going to line the tunnel at half time, so kids get high fives from players. Anika Swanson coordinating, \$30ish per ticket, buy through link.
 - Grants
 - i. Food storage containers
 - ii. Headphones and adaptors
 - iii. Still tons of money available for classroom supplies, field trips, etc.