1. Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. PTSA - President Traci Childress. Members present were: Regina Robbins, Craig and Blythe Anthony, Maggie McDermott, Kimberly Snyder, Sue Murray, Jaki Karabetos, Aimee Arrequin, Michelle Amundson, Nichole Bernhardt, Jean Johnson, Rosa Herman, Sara Andrea-Neill, Julie Schmit, Michelle Knoll, Denise Mahra, Dick Aiello, Terri Hujik.
Students present: Grace Burleson, Caleb Neill, Abbie Snyder

2. Guest Speaker – Terri Hujik
A.) Check & Connect: an advisory class, 23 minutes long, 4 days a week. Involves school counselors and the teachers. The teachers will remain the same for the students entire term of high school. The counselors and teachers will be discussing issues such as bullying, dress code, etc.
B.) This years sophomores will have a career portfolio to help prepare them for life after high school. Example: College, Military Duty, Job, Career, etc.
C.) ILP (Individual Learning Plan) – The students counselor will take each of the students on a one-to-one basis, and try to plan out the remaining high school courses and after high school plans. Parents are welcome to call the students counselor and be a part of the ILP.
D.) New requirement – Students for class of 2017 and beyond. One-half more of an elective credit will be added to the curriculum.
E.) Health can be used towards the elective 1/2 credit requirement.
F.) Service hours are served without compensation. Ten hours are required / mandatory to graduate. A “distinction award” will be given for 100 hours of service.
G.) Students can take four AP credits and receive the distinction award if all four are “passed”.
H.) Transcript requests can be emailed from a counselor to any college.
I.) Students should check colleges requirements if the ACT, ACT with writing or the SAT should be taken.
J.) Letter of Recommendation – A form (brag sheet) should be picked up from the students counselor and filled out by the student. This form should be returned to the counselor. The letter of recommendation is usually written by a teacher.
K.) MAP testing = 9th & 10th grades, ACT Aspire = 10th grade, ACT with Writing = 11th grade
L.) ZAPPS = ACT prep workshop = preparing the students to take a standardized ACT test, time management, educated guessing and other skills. You must sign up for it. The cost is $9.
3. **Student Government:** - Grace Burleson
   A.) Craft Fair – October 3, 2015 – From 9:00 A.M. till 3:00 P.M.
   B.) Spirit Week – October 5, 2015
   C.) NO SCHOOL, Homecoming Parade / Game – October 9, 2015
   D.) Homecoming Dance – October 10, 2015 (Permission slips are in the main office)

4. **Principals Corner:** - Mr. Aiello
   A.) Students are adjusting well. Students should get involved in a high school activity.
   B.) There are approximately 1,770 students enrolled.
   C.) Starting this year, there are two student drop-off/pickup areas. (East and West)
   D.) Tremper is part of “PBIS” (Positive Behavior Intervention System) (3-tiers)
      1.) Behavioral teachings
      2.) One-on-one help for the student
      3.) Bring in outside help
   E.) Tremper Quad = Be Responsible, Be Respectful, Be Safe, Be Your Best
      (Common theme in PBIS schools.)
   F.) Everyone has their own locker!

5. **Treasurers Report:** - Lori Theine
   (Kitty Wickersheim was not able to attend the meeting.)
   1st motion by Michelle Amundson, 2nd by Maggie McDermott

6. **Membership Report:** - Julie Schmit
   There are approximately 79 members, more of which came in during the meeting.
   Hopefully more members will sign up soon.

7. **Secretary’s Report:** - Michelle Knull
   A.) Every meeting there are 3 students of the month. One receives a parking pass for a parking spot,
      two received a gift certificate for the school store. Since the school store is no longer active, we are
      working on an alternative.
   B.) Every student of the month winner must be a paid member of the PTSA.
   C.) There are 2 adult prizes at the end of the meetings. Must be signed in and present to win.
      Prize Winners this evening: Rosa Herman – Bath & Body Works certificate
      Denise Mahra - Piggly Wiggly certificate

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. by Traci Childress.

**Next PTSA meeting is Monday, October 19th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the teachers lounge.**