

Harper PTO  
Wednesday, January 7, 2026

Attendance: Christa Millstein, Katie Sluis, Bekah Tsai, Andrea Clark, Ashley Burgdorf, Dustin Greenler, Theresa Costa, Jenny Sindel, Katie Herrick-Jasper

Call to Order @ 7:03 pm

- I. Review and Approval of November meeting minutes
  - A. Christa summarized November notes. Beka motions to approve and Theresa seconds. Vote is unanimous approval.
- II. Principal Report: Katie Sluis
  - A. English will be doing a video report, hopefully in November. New long-term sub in English and it is going well. Katie Herrick-Jasper, English Department Chair, discussing program planning. DHS counselors will be on-campus next week to discuss 10th grade planning. I
- III. Teacher Report: Katie Herrick-Jasper
  - A. In past we had English 9 and Humanities. Many more students are wanting to take Humanities and many more want to take Honors English 10 in high school. No prerequisite for Honors English 10.
  - B. Discussing aligning courses and combining students into one class. Students could self-select to take deeper dives on materials if they want an additional challenge and are interested in taking Honors English 10.
  - C. DHS counselors will come speak to current 9th graders and then give information on how to enter their course selection into the portal.
  - D. **Incoming 8th and 9th graders have same Info Night: 1/27/26 5 pm English and 6:30 pm Spanish**
  - E. Adding Gaming Course elective option for 9th graders
- IV. Leadership Report: Mr Greenler
  - A. 1/22/26 after school is Donut Dash to celebrate end of semester, there will be GF options
  - B. 1/30/26 Winter Wonderland Dance 6-8 pm at Harper. Need help from parents with supervision. Sign up geniuses are out for volunteers and concessions. New DJ, brother of someone we've had in the past. There will be a "snowball" fight, video games, ping pong, cornhole, photo booth with polaroids, hair tinsel, concession, hot chocolate and cookie decorating station.
  - C. February is election season: sophomore senator 1st week of February and ASB election 3rd week of February. Encourages anyone interested to run for office.
- V. Fundraising Report: Ashley Burgdorf
  - A. Looking at first week of February for next Dine Out night. If you have ideas, put in chat or text group.
  - B. April 28: Open House, will have an auction.
- VI. Treasurer Report: Andrea Clark
  - A. We have ~\$15K.

- B. Paying out grant requests as they come in.
  - C. Next month will look at how we're spending in each budgeted category.
- VII. Hospitality Report: Bekah Tsai
  - A. Successful potluck before break for teachers.
  - B. Lots of parent donations.
  - C. Thinking of treat boxes and hot chocolate bar in February.
    - a. Sign up genius from families for treat boxes.
    - b. Ashley and Christa stuffed the boxes
    - c. Coffee and hot chocolate set up for teachers.

Adjourn: 8:05