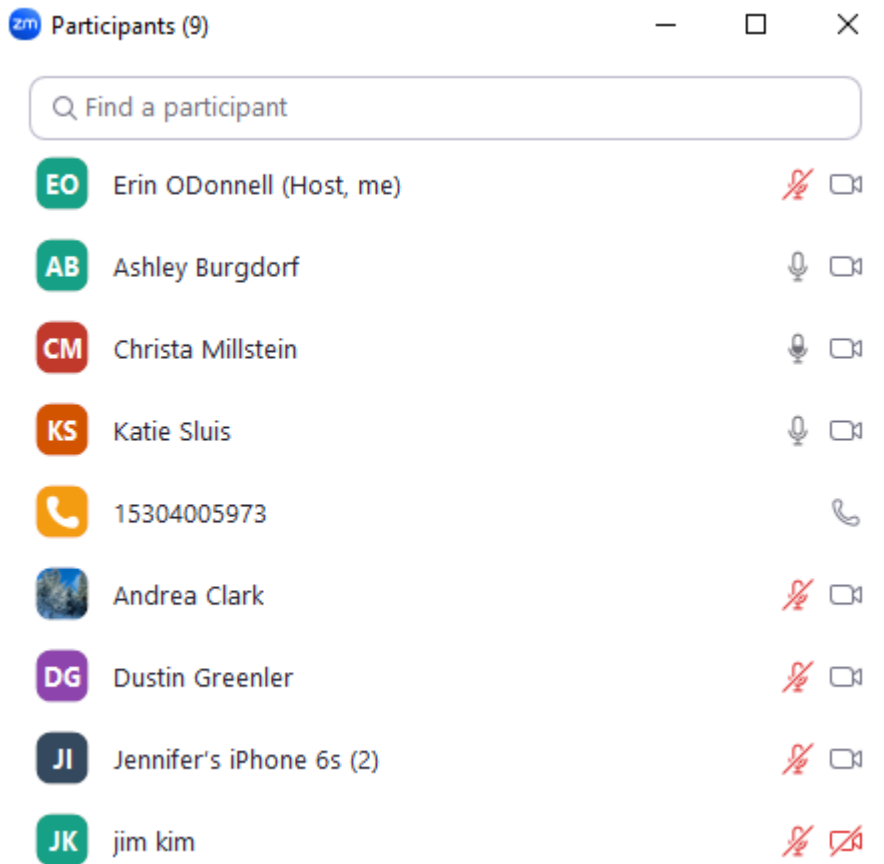


Frances Harper Junior High Parent Teacher Organization

Meeting Minutes September 26th, 2024 – 7pm

[Virtual Only:](#)

I. Call to Order 7pm



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Participant	Microphone	Video
EO Erin O'Donnell (Host, me)	Off	Off
AB Ashley Burgdorf	On	Off
CM Christa Millstein	On	Off
KS Katie Sluis	On	Off
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Andrea Clark	Off	Off
DG Dustin Greenler	Off	Off
Jl Jennifer's iPhone 6s (2)	Off	Off
JK jim kim	Off	Off

II. Approval of May Minutes – Motion by Jen Sindel, 2nd by Ashley Burgdorf, unanimously approved

III. Principal's Report

- Good start,
- New teachers are settling in.

IV. Counselor's Report

- Wrapped up scheduling
- WEB program for new 7th graders + lunch for new 8th and 9th graders
- Pan Dulce served to celebrate Latin heritage month
- DBT Behavior therapy groups starting up
 - Counselors have a lot of resources to help kids, if you're kid is struggling, reach out to counselors

V. Teacher's Report

- Every month a different department will present
- Science Department
 - We are off to a great start with our new hire and friend Hudson Nunes. While we miss Mrs. Huminski, we find Mr. Nunes very energetic, warm, prepared, excited to teach, and a hit with students and staff already.
 - His 8th grade classes have joined Mr. McKim's Field Day Fridays wherein students can choose to do academic work prior to the weekend or delay their work slightly and help with a campus beautification job.
 - Friday 9/27/24 will find volunteer students, among other job choices, doing a massive planting of 4 types of groundcover - all grown by last years' students from cuttings.
 - They'll go into the Elm Grove located between the faculty lot and the entrance to the parent pick up lane.
 - Mrs. Shelton and Mr. Nunes are enjoying their vibrant 7th graders and their primarily life science curriculum.
 - Mrs. Shelton also teaches Bridge and AVID 8th grade.
 - Mrs. Bays and Mr. McKim are off and running with the challenging and very rewarding biology curriculum. This year, Mrs. Bays is also assigning Mr. McKim's long-standing research paper titled Species of Interest - year-long, reflective of each major topic of study, and specific to each student's chosen animal.
 - Mrs. Bays also teaches AVID 9th grade.
 - Mr. Nunes and Mr. McKim have their Science 8 students already learning fire and lab safety with early Bunsen Burner labs. We are nearly done with teaching the scientific method and will begin chemistry soon. Later in the year, we'll study physics and astronomy.
- Leadership
 - BTSN – went well, partnerships with local businesses why not boba, kona ice
 - Welcome week went well
 - Games (corn-hole, ping pong, spike ball) during lunch in quad to encourage kids to interact off the phones. Good energy.
 - In midst of spirit week
 - Afterschool tomorrow is ice cream social – all items donated from Safeway
 - Leadership conference next week at yolo county fair grounds
 - October 25th – first dance – WEB lead, with leadership support

VI. Miscellaneous

- Site Council
 - Need 2 new parent reps.

VII. Treasurer Report – verbal report from airport. Fundraising bringing in much needed money to support the

teacher grants. More to be shared next meeting

VIII. Fundraising Report

- Harper kid fundraiser is going well
- Restaurant nights continuing on this year
 - Oct 16th – Blaze Pizza
 - November 5th – Chipotle
- Send flyers to Mr. Greenler for distribution with kids

IX. Hospitality Report

- Before school lunch for staff – Dos Coyotes -
- BTSN – pizza dinner for staff

Next meeting October 10th

Meeting adjourned – 8:10pm