



Minutes



Harney Middle School School Organization Team Meeting

Meeting in person: HMS Room 602

December 18th, 2025, 3:00 PM

HMS SOT Google Meet Link:

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- € Jessica Cox, Parent member
- € Bertha Luna, Parent member
- € Ashlee Merback, Parent member
- € Darrell Shakespear, Parent member
- € Tara Bunker, Teacher
- € Tod Young, Teacher
- € Kathy Banegas, Support Professional
- € Eli Merback, Student
- € Phongsavanh Skvarek, Principal

The agenda for this meeting is posted publicly on the school website at harneymms.org.

The School Organization Team may rearrange agenda items, combine two or more agenda items for consideration, and remove an agenda item or delay discussion related to agenda items at any time.

Speakers wishing to speak during the public comment period for this meeting may call 702-799-3240 or register in person immediately prior to the start of the meeting. Speakers will be called in the order in which they registered. No one may register for another person or give up their time to another person. Generally, a person wishing to speak during the comment period will be allowed two (2) minutes to address the School Organization Team. Speakers may also submit additional comments in writing.

Speakers are asked to be respectful of each other, team members, the principal, and school district staff. Speakers who are disruptive will be asked to leave the meeting.

1.0 Welcome: Meeting motioned and second to start at 3:06 p.m.

1.1 Member attendance: Jessica Cox, Ashlee Merback, Darrell Shakespear, Tara Bunker, Tod Young, Kathy Benegas, Eli Merback, Phongsavanh Skvarek.

2.0 Previous Meeting

2.1 Approval of minutes for November 2025: Minutes motioned and second for approval; all in agreement to approve.

2.2 Follow-up on action/outstanding items – none and no discussion.

3.0 New Items

3.1 Plan of Operations (Skvarek)

- \$1,000 possible expenditure for student clothing from Student Generated Funds (SGF): School Counselors to distribute clothing based on student need.

3.2 Staffing Updates (Skvarek) Ms. Whitaker, former teacher, has rejoined Harney Middle School as a General Resource Teacher. Carmen Coleman is now an S.P.T.A. Julia Guera will be a new secretary in the SSC Office. Abigail Marin will become a substitute teacher.

3.3 Facilities (Brown): Reported by Ms. Skvarek - Painting proposal previously approved has now been moved to scheduling and will work with administration when to start the project.

3.4 Athletics (Brown): Reported by Ms. Thurman – Girls and Boys Basketball Teams are off to a good start. Cheer Squad has received their new uniforms and gear.

3.5 Communications (Wise): Nothing new to report.

3.6 Testing (Wise): We have finished Winter Benchmark Testing with a slight improvement.

3.7 Activities (Wise): Winter concerts were good. We have our Winter Formal Dance tonight (December 18, 2025).

3.8 Curriculum/Title I Parent Engagement/SEL (Thurman): During Music and More we had over 100 parents sign to the Parent Engagement events prior to the concerts. These events allow parents to better understand student curriculum and campus

student engagement. The SEL Team is great and students keep them busy. Infinite Campus (IC) will open 2026-2027 Fall Scheduling in January.

3.9 SSC initiatives/Discipline Updates (Coronado): As Reported by Mr. Shakespear – Discipline Assemblies will take place at the beginning of January when students return from Winter Break. The objective of the assemblies will reestablish expected student behavior, school dress codes, discipline guidelines when concerns arise.

4.0 Information

4.1 Next meeting: Date: January 15, 2026 Time: 3:00 p.m. Room 602

5.0 Public Comment Period (2 minutes allocated per person): There were no comments from public attendees.