

Order of Business	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MLC PTSA Meeting Agenda</b>  <b>November 12, 2025, 6 to 7:30PM</b>  <b>Hybrid: MLC Library   <a href="#">VIA Zoom</a></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">PTSA dues are \$14 (\$11.50+fees) annually and give you voting rights.  To join or renew, visit <a href="http://oregonpta.org/membership">oregonpta.org/membership</a></p>	
Introductions and Meeting Agreements	Please share your name, your student's name and grade or your connection to MLC, and if you are a new or returning family.	6:00-6:10 PM
Financial Report	Treasurer's Report: <a href="#">Link to Report</a>	6:10-6:20 PM
Approval of Minutes & Standing Rules Amendments	<a href="#">October Meeting Minutes</a> <a href="#">Standing Rules</a> Amendments Vote - Increased membership dues and moved new business up in agenda	6:20-6:30 PM
Principal & Teacher Reports	<b>Principal's Report</b> (Ashlee) <b>Teacher Report</b> (Betsy)	6:30-6:45 PM
New Business	<b>New Special Committees:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Beautification</li> <li>● Recruitment</li> </ul>	6:45-7:05 PM
Committee & Other Reports	<b>Standing Committees</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Membership &amp; Volunteer</b> (Sierra) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <a href="#">Fall Drive Winner!</a></li> <li>○ New Volunteer Request: Season of Giving support</li> <li>○ New Volunteer Request: PTA Clothing Closet. 11/20 9:30am-1:30pm</li> <li>○ New Volunteer Request: Solstice 12/18</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Staff Appreciation Committee</b> (Sierra) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Fall Conferences Potluck: Details and sign up <a href="#">HERE</a></li> <li>○ Solstice Gifts Of Gratitude: Details and sign up <a href="#">HERE</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Community Building &amp; Events</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ MLC History Night Recap (Alisa)</li> <li>○ Craft Night Recap (Sierra)</li> <li>○ Movie Night: KPop Demon Hunters (November 14, 5:30-8) (Denis)</li> <li>○ Craft Faire (December 11, 3:30-5) (Monique) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Register <a href="#">HERE</a> to be a vendor or play music</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Development &amp; Fundraising</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Bottledrop Holiday Give (4x5 Fundraiser)</li> <li>○ Winter Greens (4x5 Fundraiser)</li> <li>○ Parking 2025 Report Out (Nate)</li> <li>○ Dine Out Days (Erin) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Nov 20, 11-8:30 pm - Pastini NE Broadway</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Annual Auction (Sierra) Week of April 10-19, 2026, main event Saturday, April 18 at Polaris Hall.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	7:05-7:30 PM
Adjournment		7:30

## Attendees

Abbey Fujiyoshi	Chenney Gruber	Kyra Hazilla-Dean	Nathan Kramer
Adam Perryman	Denis Reich	Lila Pigott	Paul Alexander
Alisa Welch	Erin McKee	Melissa Edwards	Robin Lewallen
Ashlee Hudson	Jamie Whitaker	Monique Leslie	Sierra Stringfield Perryman
Betsy McDowell	Kate Allen	Murphy Gayne	William Dean

## Minutes

- Introductions (all)
- Meeting Agreements (Monique)
- Financial Report (Abbey): Included in beginning of meeting so that financials inform decisions.
  - Not a lot of movement this past month, will see more in next month
- Oct Minutes: Adam moves to approve Oct minutes, Nate seconded. Approved.
- Standing Rules Amendments: Abbey moves to approve, Denis seconded. Approved.
- Principal's Report (Ashlee)
  - Open House Info Night for 6x12 interested families next week (11/17)
    - Student panel will be present (Liz leading)
    - Similar structure as before
    - PTSA will host a welcome table
  - Connecting w/ PS providers to facilitate MLC info nights at preschools
  - Advertising/Recruitment:
    - To work directly with PTSA
    - PPS comms can help w/ fliers, video, some creativity welcomed. So far responsiveness has been good.
  - Conferences
    - Continuing with sign-up system used in the past - virtual options are available. In the future, will consider ParentSquare because it is free (as opposed to SignUp currently used). Feedback from meeting participants is that current system has benefits for families with multiple kids.
- Teacher's Report (Betsy):
  - Winter Solstice: Julie is looking for support, looking to host a meeting during conference days at which time job signups will be available. Jobs include folding programs, auditorium decoration, fire pit.
    - A/V - room for potential.
      - A handful of parents have expressed interest, PTSA to coordinate with Ashlee and interested parents (Denis, Paul)
  - Food drive: TJs gift cards, cash donations, and non-perishable food items being collected to support MLC families and William Temple House
    - Blue bin will be on black top during morning drop-off and in the cafeteria during pick-up
  - MLC PTSA Parenting Workshop: Please fill out the form to facilitate MLC-specific online workshop by sharing topics of interest [here](#)
- New Business (Sierra):
  - New Committees are being formed based on identified interest/need for the following:
    - Beautification

- Groundskeeping (Lila to lead); cleanup and maintenance of the parking areas
- Placemaking (Alisa, Jamie, Monique, Lindsay): anything to help bring a welcoming presence to the school such as a mural in breezeway, blacktop mural, art on the fences, tiles on the trees, ceramic butterflies as a thank you to Ned project
  - Artists, grant writers, etc. are welcome
  - Betsy connected with Growing Gardens on planters to install on chain link fences by front office
  - Friends of Couch Park connection is ongoing and progress is being made on signs. Lindsay is our liaison.
  - Some updates from Ashlee from PPR (Portland Parks and Recreation):
    - Portland Art Alliance to decorate “shed” building
    - Illuminated art pieces to be installed in non-planted areas with string lighting
    - Dog area to be fenced to discourage misuse of the public space
    - No update on PPR signage for MLC
- Recruitment (interested people: Alisa, Jamie, Denis, Monique)
  - Google reviews: MLC is the only school that still has starred reviews due to a strange designation that is being resolved.
  - Tasks for volunteers: Advertising, designer, encouraging people to write reviews, parent representative, outreach, merchandise
  - Efforts are ongoing with Ashlee and the admin to reframe the conversation away from “lottery schools are taking kids away from neighborhood schools” to lottery schools are “bringing students into PPS who would otherwise go to non-PPS schools (private and charter)”
- Standing Committees
  - Member & Volunteer (Sierra)
    - Fall Drive Winner = Jonah Adams (student)winds git card to Ace Hardware
    - New Volunteer Request: Season of Giving support - Donations for MLC families thru link on the website
    - New Volunteer Request: PTA Clothing Closet. 11/20 9:30am-1:30pm, looking for volunteers to join PTSA clothing closet 11/20, especially folks who are bilingual
    - New Volunteer Request: Solstice 12/18, noted above
  - Staff Appreciation (Sierra)
    - Fall Potluck: meals provided for staff on conference days, homemade is awesome, but anything helps, including help with setting up or meal gift cards/donations
    - Solstice Gifts of Gratitude: staff get gift baskets: gift card donations, homemade goodies, anything helps, ideas are listed in link above
  - Community Building and Events
    - Past:
      - MLC history night (Alisa) feedback - everything that we say gets reverberated, let’s make the ripples shine! Event exceeded hopes and dreams, more attendance than expected, great connections with alumni, amazing projects by students.
        - A follow-up will hopefully occur with more ongoing student projects
      - Craft Night (Sierra): went well, kid-focused, approx. 40 people attended. Another one to hopefully occur in the winter.
    - Future

- Movie Night (Denis): this Friday, free to attend, comes with one free bag of pop-corn. Walk-ins welcome, but please RSVP to help with planning. Concessions to benefit 2x3 and 4x5 field trips (Dominoes Pizza \$6/slice, candy (various), \$12 combo package includes pizza, candy, drink). Younger kids can also be dropped off this year - use this as a date night!
- Craft Faire (Monique): 12/11 3:30-5pm. 16 people have RSVP'ed so far, new flier to include sign-up deadline. New this year: craft table for people to craft at the fair, and free crafts table where people don't have to purchase a craft.
- Development & Fundraising
  - Bottledrop Holiday Give (4x5 Fundraiser) (Adam) - All bottles will go to 4x5, PTSA will match, blue bag collection days on the black top are Fridays in November (Nov 14 and Nov 21), and Tuesday, Dec 2. If you have large amounts, please bring them during collection days so we can pace the daily match limits. Otherwise, OK to drop at your local spot.
  - Winter Greens (4x5 Fundraiser) (Chenney) - high-quality wreaths, garlands, that support 4x5, PTSA matching funds, deadline is 11.21
  - Parking 2025 Report Out (Nate): Done for the year, raised \$27,000 during 29 games. Great memories by volunteers. Timbers games raise more money. Let's take advantage of summer concerts.
  - Dine Out Days (Erin)
    - Lazy Days raised \$185, 10% of sales. Not a huge amount, so may phase out businesses that contribute 10%.
    - Nov 20, 11-8:30 pm - Pastini NE Broadway - One of our biggest fundraisers, 40% of income is donated. Online orders count as long as you order through their website. Diners must mention MLC.
  - Annual Auction (Sierra) Week of April 10-19, 2026, main event Saturday, April 18 at Polaris Hall. First planning meeting happened, great group. Biggest need is with sponsors and donors.