



MOSES LAKE
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Public Regular Meeting

January 20, 2026

Board Members

Michael Rainis, Chair

Angel Ledesma, Vice Chair

Faith Hemmerling - Secretary

Dr. Kris Dexter

Glen Summers

Gordon Guenther

Brittney Ketterer

Director

Diana McFaul

OPENING ITEMS

Call to Order: Board Chair 6:00 P.M.

Devotion and Prayer

January 20, 2026 - Michael Rainis

February Gordon Guenther

Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes

B. Board Administration - Next Board Meeting February 17, 2026

Dr. Kris Dexter moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Gordon Guenther.

Motion Passed

Recognition

•Diana McFaul, MLCA Director, recognized Vanya Bohdanov. Vanya moved here from Ukraine as a freshman, not knowing English at all. Our counselor suggested we set up a STAMP Competency class in Russian for him. The test is not timed, but it must be finished within **90 days** of starting. This test covers reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Not only did Vanya finish in record time, but he also scored a 4, the highest score possible, earning him four Foreign Language credits. Vanya works diligently in all of his classes and challenges himself. In addition to his regular class schedule, he is taking a pre-calculus class online. We are very proud of Vanya and his many accomplishments.

- Diana McFaul, MLCA Director, recognized Cody Buell. Cody was recognized for his dedication and hard work. Cody is always willing to serve others. He goes above and beyond in whatever task he attempts. Cody consistently exceeds expectations and achieves remarkable results. We are so grateful for his servant's heart.

- Diana McFaul, MLCA Director, recognized Katie Jenson. Katie's classroom is filled with exciting opportunities to learn. She uses her love of music to inspire and teach her students. We are truly blessed that Katie is such an integral part of our kindergarten team.

- Diana McFaul, MLCA Director, recognized Debbie Cordis. Debbie joined our kindergarten team this year. It has been exciting to watch this dynamic mother/daughter team work. Debbie's classroom is vibrant with continuous learning activities, and we are so grateful that she has chosen to serve at MLCA.

- Diana McFaul, MLCA Director, recognized Mikiah Martinez. Mikiah makes a difference in our first graders every day. Her dedication to helping each student reach their potential is truly appreciated.

•Reports

Director's Report - Diana McFaul

- Diana reported we had a record turnout at our kindergarten -6th grade Winter Concert. Amy McClain Did a wonderful job with delightful singing. It was a wonderful celebration of the birth of Jesus.

- The PTF hosted a wonderful luncheon for the staff on December 18th.

- We had a staff Dessert Extravaganza with games after school on December 19th.

- We are currently working on transcripts, making sure our students are meeting all of the requirements to graduate.

- January 16th is the end of the first semester. The second semester begins on January 20th.

- We are monitoring student grades and working with our students and teachers. If the student is failing classes, they will be placed on Academic Probation.

Finance Report

- Stefanie Lowry gave a summary of the Finance Committee meeting notes.

ASB Report - Hannah Pease and Meghan Paysee

- January was a quieter month for ASB as we focused on starting the new year and planning for the second half of the school year. ASB students reflected on first-semester activities, discussed changes, and began planning upcoming events.

- Buddy Chapel was planned and led by the ninth graders with the theme "Turning a New Page". During the chapel, students partnered together to complete a New Year's resolution activity, encouraging reflection, goal-setting, and a fresh start for the new year

- Our monthly Bible & Brew gatherings at Psalm 23 have continued to be a highlight for students, with high attendance. Our next gathering will be held on January 31st.

- Instead of a Sadie Hawkins Dance, ASB is planning a painting night activity at The Drip downtown. Date TBD.

- ASB is partnering with the Larsen Rec Center Ice Rink to host a skate night open to the secondary students. Tickets will include a skate fee and a snack. Date TBD

- The next Whiteout game will be on January 20th; students and adults are encouraged to wear their MCLA whiteout shirts.

- Upcoming Events:

- Parents & Pastries – January 23rd

-Paint with a partner – February

Athletic Report - Josh Kast

- Both boys and girls basketball teams are looking strong. Boys are #2 in the current RPI and looking as if they will be a top contender at State. Districts start the second week of February.
- Middle school girls' volleyball will begin on February 2nd. We anticipate having two teams participating.
- High School Track and High School Girls Softball seasons begin March 2nd.
- Josh reported he has developed an MLCA Hall of Fame committee consisting of past graduates, players, and coaches. They have met once to set guidelines as to how athletes, teams, coaches, and contributors can be nominated and inducted. They hope to be able to introduce and promote the new program at this year's Crab Feed. They hope to begin taking nominees sometime this summer and into the fall. This program will help showcase and honor our past athletes and school successes.

Marketing Report - Janiel Koethke

- Janiel worked with the athletic department to develop the winter athletic program.
- The Yearbook club continues to meet, consisting of 8 dedicated students who have volunteered to start laying out pages. Janiel has been assisting them in taking, editing, and uploading photos for sporting events and other school events.
- Janiel helped the head of the Crab Feed committee by setting up the event in ReadySetAuction and preparing the event website. She will continue to assist the committee in any training or troubleshooting that may be needed in the software.
- Janiel has started working with the Athletic Hall of Fame committee to develop a nomination form for the MLCA Athletic Hall of Fame.
- Janiel reported she has several events scheduled for the Event Center.

Fundraising Report - Angel Ledesma

Old Business

- A. New Director Search: Vanderbloemen Job Posting (LIVE)
- B. Roof Capital Campaign update: Task Force created with plan ready to execute

New Business

- No new business

Public Comment Reading of Comment Guidelines

- No Comments.

Adjournment

- Dr. Kris Dexter moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Brittney Ketterer. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:23 P.M.