

Dear Academic Senate Faculty,

I am writing to express my interest in continued participation on the Graduation Committee. I am a full-time faculty member in the Physical Science Department and have served on the Graduation Committee for two years.

Since starting at LMC in 2014, I have participated in all of our in-person graduations and the parking lot learning community drive-thru party for the 2021 graduates. Since joining the Graduation Committee I have set aside my regalia to support the event as a volunteer on the big day and throughout the year on the committee. This transition has been deeply rewarding, and I believe I've grown into a role where I can contribute meaningfully to the committee's efforts.

I don't have a background in marketing, graphic design, music, or public speaking, so I've dedicated time to learning how to engage thoughtfully with committee decisions and contribute in meaningful ways. I also bring skills that are helpful on graduation day- I've learned how to work with the canopies being the lead at STEM community events off campus, I've learned to have some sunscreen and bobby pins on hand supporting MESA graduates, and I don't shy away from the hard work of clean-up after. This year I graduated to field crew and was excited to step up to the new role.

Graduation is a powerful opportunity to celebrate our students, their accomplishments, and supporters and I'm honored to play a role in making the day special. I would be happy to continue serving on the committee. That said, if another faculty member is interested in participating, I am also open to stepping aside or exploring the possibility of having two faculty representatives.

Thanks.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mindy".