

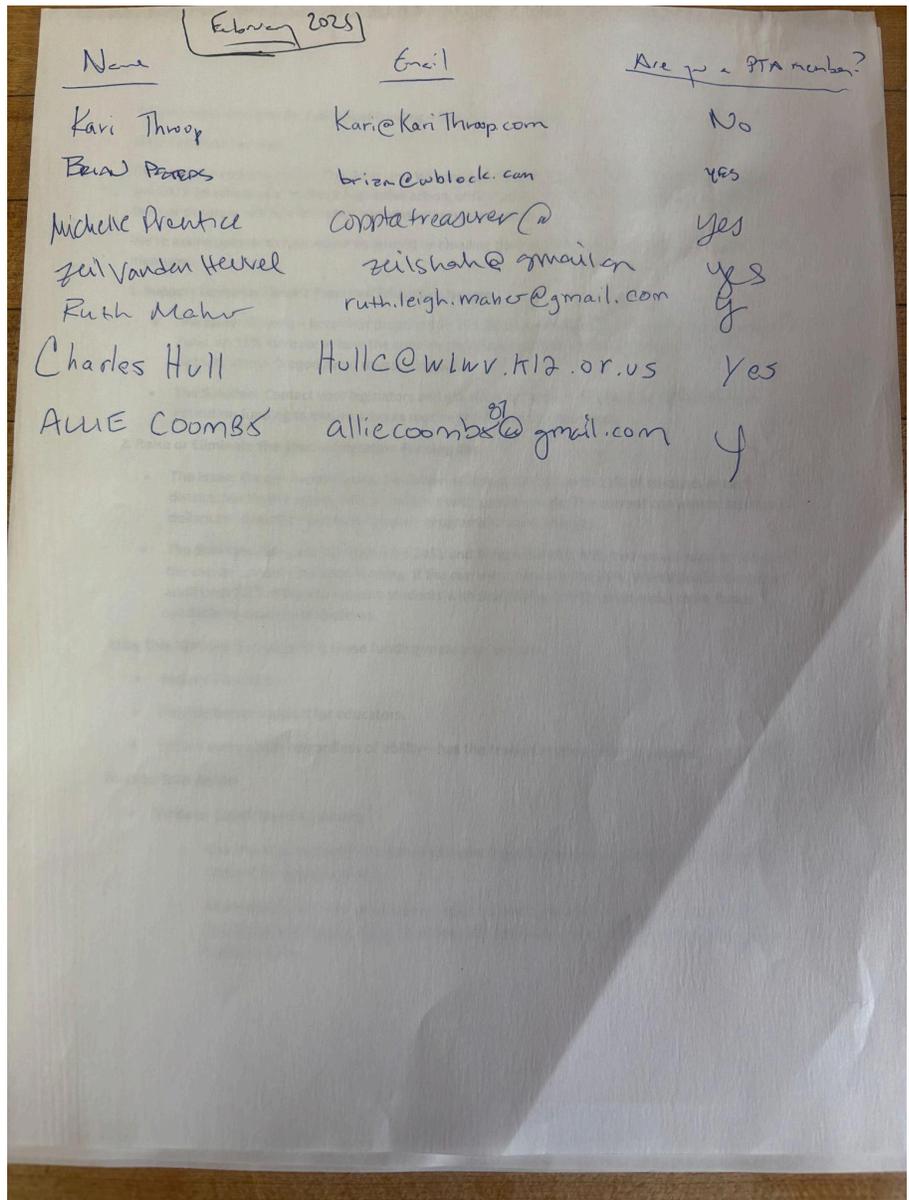
# Cedaroak Park PTA Meeting Agenda

General Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 | 6pm - 7:15pm

Location: Cedaroak Park Primary Library

Minutes taken by Michelle Prentice (secretary was traveling)



A handwritten table on a piece of paper with the title 'February 2025' in a box at the top. The table has three columns: 'Name', 'Email', and 'Are you a PTA member?'. The entries are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Email</u>	<u>Are you a PTA member?</u>
Kari Throop	Kari@KariThroop.com	No
Brian Peters	brian@wblock.com	yes
Michelle Prentice	corptatreasurer@a	yes
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Ruth Maher	ruth.leigh.maher@gmail.com	y
Charles Hull	HullC@wlwr.k12.or.us	Yes
Allie Coombs	alliecoombs@gmail.com	y

- 6:00pm Arrive, Check In and Mingle
- 6:05pm Call Meeting to Order 6:07 meeting starts
- 6:05pm Approval of Minutes (January 2025)
  - Susan Hurley moves to approve minutes
  - Michelle Prentice seconds
  - All voting parties approve

6:10pm Executive Board Report

6:15pm Principals Report

- Garden is up and running
- Movie night went really well

6:25pm Treasurer's Report

6:30pm Committee News

### **For Discussion**

- Food Drive
    - Emily Harris & Zeil Vanden Heuvel ran the Friendship week food drive. Cedaroak donated 140 lbs of food in February 2025!
    - A huge success for a three day week (interrupted by winter weather)
  - Dine Out
    - Killer Burger delayed due to weather, to be rescheduled.
    - Spectator Pizza in March, details TBD
  - School Legislative Action
    - Share the letter templates, plan, shared and discussed documents below.
  - Hospitality
    - Classified Appreciation Week first week of March.
      - Plan on breakfast, lunch, and a gift
  - Auction
    - Cedaroakauction.com is officially updated! Flyers will go home with families this week - we still need more sponsors and auction items, every little bit helps! All links to sponsor, donate, volunteer or buy a ticket to the event are now live on the website.
    - Communication to teachers for class art projects and teacher experiences has been sent out and are coming in slowly.
    - Our goal is to have ALL donated items and projects completed prior to spring break to give committee members enough time to get everything ready for the event.
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- We have met with the auctioneer for an initial walk through of the event timeline as well as with Meg. We have identified a need to bring back some lost programming through in-school enrichment programs such as an "artist in residence" or "spanish in residence" style program as well as a focus on making classrooms more efficient so teachers can manage the increase in class sizes next year without additional hardship or impact to our students.
  - Ticket soft launch 2/20 (Thursday)
  - Requests of PTA

- 1. Do the funding areas of focus inspire you and the attendees of the meeting? (you are our focus group to ensure we get this right and bring good energy for our funding needs during the event!)
- 2. Will you please reach out to Bolton PTA and see if they will support with volunteers for the night of the event this year or do we need to have our own community do it again?

**Discussion if needed**

- Directory
  - 74% participation this year
- Garden Tastings
  - Great success tasting tatsoi in January. Working on next tasting, possibly this month.
- Chipper Chair
  - Costume has 5'8" height limit of 5 '8 ", must be between 5'4" and 5'8"
- PTA Board Search
  - Note that we are seeking replacements for Treasurer and Secretary board positions for next year. We need a nomination committee composed of 3 volunteers to lead this.

7:05pm Discussion about how to increase participation with the PTA

- Buddy meeting, sponsor family
- Meet and greet with the PTA
- Potentially have a PTA table at auction
- Job description flyers

2024-2025 Planning Calendar

**February**

- 19 - PTA Meeting 6pm
- 25 - 24th Annual CREST-Jane Goodall Science Symposium
- 27 - Spirit Day, Class Color Day
- 28 - No School, Staff Development

**March**

- 3-7 - Classified Staff Appreciation
- 12 - PTA Meeting 6pm
- 18 - 4th and 5th Grade Music Concert 6pm
- 21 - Spirit Day
- 24-28 - Spring Break!

7:15 Meeting Adjourned - Thank you!

Dear Cedaroak Families,

Our schools need your voice! The West Linn-Wilsonville School District is facing a \$15 million deficit for the 2025-26 school year. Without legislative action, critical programs and services will be impacted—teacher positions will be eliminated, and class sizes will increase.

We're asking parents to take action by writing or emailing their legislators to support two critical funding measures:

### **1. Support Governor Kotek's Proposed Education Budget**

- **The Issue:** Governor Kotek has proposed an \$11.36 billion budget for the 2025-27 State School Fund, an 11% increase in how the state funds education. This increase is necessary to help districts across Oregon avoid devastating cuts.
- **The Solution:** Contact your legislators and ask them to support AT LEAST an 11% increase in education funding to ensure schools receive the resources they need.

### **2. Raise or Eliminate the Special Education Funding Cap**

- **The Issue:** Oregon currently only funds special education for up to 11% of students in each district, but WLWV serves 14% of students with special needs. The current cap means millions of dollars are diverted from other student programs to cover this gap.
- **The Solution:** Advocate for House Bill 2451 and Senate Bill 317, bills that would raise or remove the cap on special education funding. If the cap were increased to 14%, WLWV could receive an additional \$2.5 million to support students with disabilities, which could make more funds available to support all students.

**Why This Matters:** By supporting these funding measures, we can-

- Reduce class sizes.
- Provide better support for educators.
- Ensure every child—regardless of ability—has the resources they need to succeed.

**Ways to Take Action:** Write or Email Your Legislators

- Use the attached template letter to make it quick and easy. Also attached is an email contact for each legislator.

Your voice can make a difference. Strong schools make strong communities—let's work together to ensure every child gets the education they deserve.

Thank you for supporting our students!

Best,

Cedaroak PTA

Legislator Email Contact

Senator Rob Wagner: [Sen.RobWagner@oregonlegislature.gov](mailto:Sen.RobWagner@oregonlegislature.gov)

Senator Aaron Woods: [Sen.AaronWoods@oregonlegislature.gov](mailto:Sen.AaronWoods@oregonlegislature.gov)

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Representative Jules Walters: [Rep.JulesWalters@oregonlegislature.gov](mailto:Rep.JulesWalters@oregonlegislature.gov)

To Our Legislators,

We're writing to urge your support for Oregon's students and schools. Every child deserves a

fully funded education, and we need your leadership to ensure that all students have access to

the resources they need to thrive.

We urge you to:

Fully fund Oregon's public schools—at a minimum, support Governor Kotek's

proposed \$11.36 billion for the 2025-27 State School Fund. However, according to the

Oregon PTA, even more is needed to truly meet the needs of our students.

Support Senate Bill 317 and House Bill 2451 to raise the special education funding cap and increase funding for students with disabilities. These measures will ensure students with disabilities receive the resources they need—without forcing schools to cut essential programs or services for all students.

Supporting both of these measures is important to ensure smaller class sizes, better support for educators, and that every child—regardless of ability—can reach their full potential.

Now is the time to prioritize Oregon's future. Please stand with us in ensuring every child has access to the education they need to succeed.

Sincerely,

[Name]

Cedaroak Primary School, West Linn

## Committees and Chairs

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### ***Garden Chair***

To work in collaboration with Helena Kilstrom at CREST.

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Recruit open PTA 2025-2027 positions  
(Treasurer, Secretary)

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### ***STEAM / Science Fair Chair***

#### **Chair(s) Needed for 24-25 school year**

### ***5th Grade Graduation Chair***

#### **Chair(s) Needed for 24-25 school year**

### ***Chipper Chair***

#### **5ft, 8in High Limit**

#### **Chair(s) Needed for 24-25 school year**

Erin Keller

### ***Library Giving Tree Chair***

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