



MMCI Annual Meeting Guide

2020

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SCHOOL ACRONYMS DECIPHERED

MMCI - Monocacy Montessori
Communities Incorporated

MVMPCS - Monocacy Valley
Montessori Public Charter
School

CCMPCS - Carroll Creek
Montessori Public Charter
School

BOT - Board of Trustees

GC - Governing Council

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When: Our Annual MMCI Membership Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18th at 7 pm.

Where: Virtual (Instructions to come)

Why: To hear about the state of our nonprofit, MMCI, and our schools. To vote for various positions open on both the MMCI Board of Trustees and the CCMPCS Governing Council. Also, to vote on proposed MMCI bylaw changes.

Who votes: All parents of children who attend MVMPCS or CCMPCS, all staff at the schools, and Friends of Education

Who is MMCI and why do they matter to our school?

MMCI is the nonprofit that holds our charter documents and ensures we are in compliance with county and state laws and guidelines. It ensures that our budgets are in order and that we are able to accomplish the goals set forth by our charter documents. With the exception of two outside members (Friends of Education), MMCI is completely run by parent volunteers (us!).



What is the GC then?

The Governing Councils (GCs) of both schools are committees of MMCI. The school GCs work specifically and intimately with their own school staff and families to ensure that the everyday operation of the school runs smoothly.

Check out how they all relate on Page 2!

Figure 1. MMCI Organization

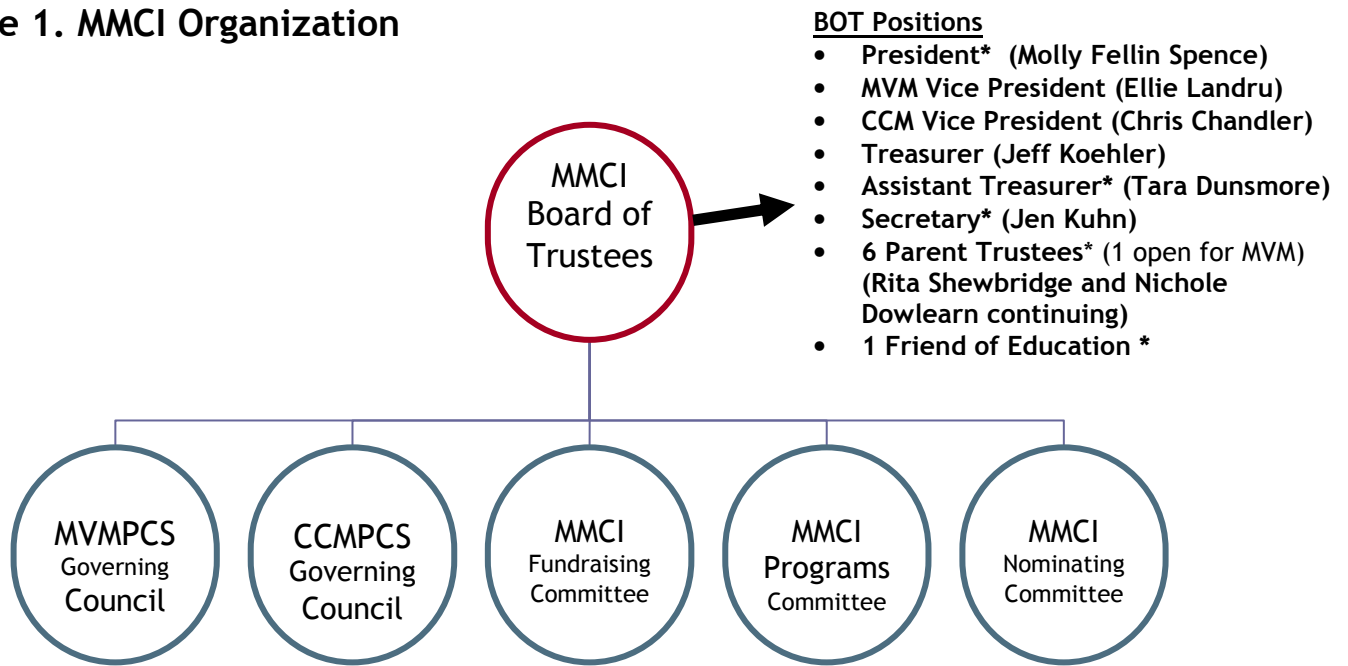


Figure 1. MMCI Organization. The chart above describes how MMCI works with various subcommittees to keep our schools running smoothly. MMCI includes 5 different committees; one of the committees is our own Governing Council. Each MMCI committee and the BOT is composed of volunteer parents and staff. BOT positions marked with an * are open for election this year. BOT positions not up for election this year have their current volunteer listed.

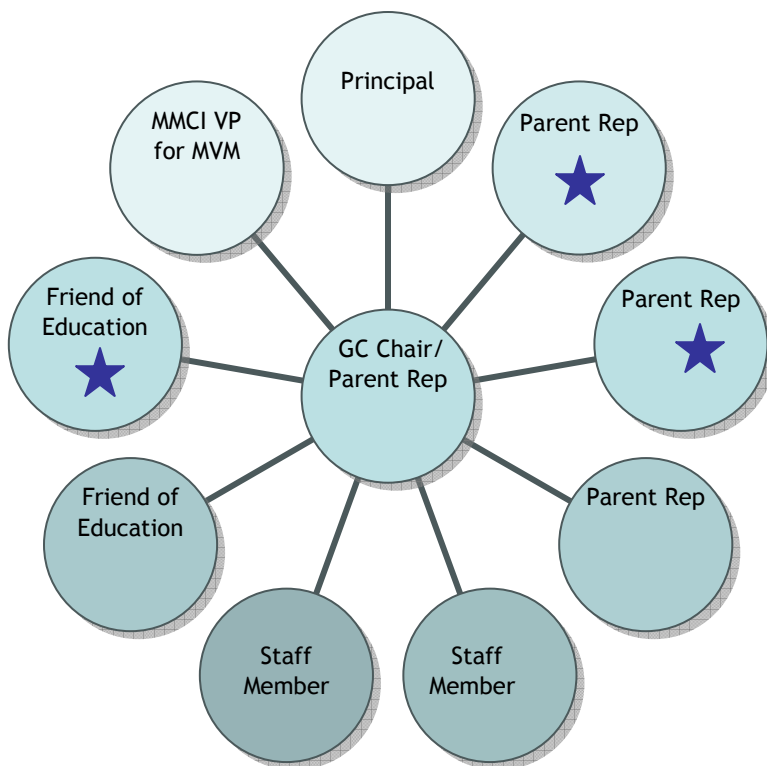


Figure 2. The Governing Council. The council is composed of parent and staff volunteers and outside Friends of Education. There are 4 Parent Reps, 1 of whom is also the Chair and 2 Friends of Education. Two Staff Representatives are chosen by staff members. Our Principal is also a member of the GC. The MMCI VP for each school is a non-voting GC member.

Open positions are marked by a star.

What positions are open for election on November 18th at MVMPCS?

| MMCI BOT | MVMPCS GC |
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| President (2 year term, 6 month shadow) | 2 GC Parent Rep (2 year term) |
| Assistant Treasurer (2 year term, 6 month shadow) | 1 GC Friend of Education (2 year term) |
| Secretary (2 year term, 6 month shadow) | |
| 1 Parent Trustee from MVMPCS | |
| 1 Friend of Education (2 year term) | |

MMCI Annual Membership Meeting Frequently Asked Questions

I am interested in running for a position. How do I apply?

Fill out the [Electronic Nomination Form](#) before October 28th. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Nominating Committee at nominatingcommittee@mmcimd.org The form can also be found on the MMCI Election website: MMCI.md.org/community/election

Why is it important for me to attend the virtual Annual Meeting?

Being informed about current and future plans is key to being an involved member. As a member of the organization, you have a voice in the operation of the nonprofit and in the direction of our school. Attending our virtual annual meeting is a vital way to exercise that responsibility.

I want to watch, but I can't be there on November 18th. Will absentee ballots be handled the same as in the past?

Due to COVID our entire election will be online this year.

Early voting will begin November 4th and remain open for two weeks. In order for our election to count we must reach a minimum participation % from the community. Even if you are unable to attend the meeting, let your voice be heard somewhere it really matters - in our school!

Will there be voting at the meeting?

Yes, as in years past, there will be an opportunity for (virtual) on the floor nominations for any positions with zero candidates. We will update the electronic ballots with these candidates and voting will remain open for 24 hours. Similar to absentee ballots in the past, only individuals who have not yet voted will be able to vote during the Annual Meeting voting window.

How will we know who won?

Emails will be sent to CCM and MVM announcing the winners of the election after the 24 hour Annual Meeting voting window.

****Candidate Forms received after October 28th will only be considered for positions with no candidate running!**