

November 17, 2021

Dear PTK Scholarship Judging Committee,

1) What is a good description of the applicant's leadership ability?

As a new student ambassador in the Gender Equity Center, Melony has taken on several projects in the center including cataloging all of the books in our library and being our point person for monitoring the center's Instagram and various social media platforms. Melony has also demonstrated leadership as a peer mentor for prospective students coming into the GEC. She assists these students with the necessary steps to attend LCC and answers their questions.

2) Does the student display resilience and persistence when challenges or failure are encountered? One of the many tasks of a student ambassador is to greet all people coming into the center. We have managers, classified staff, and current and prospective students coming into the center needing help. Melony has handled every situation and issue with grace, professionalism, and compassion for the person. She has demonstrated great listening skills and is very patient with students who need additional support.

3) Does the student seek challenges to grow into a stronger leader?

Melony is always the first student ambassador to volunteer for new projects, helping out with events and in general whatever the center needs. Her willingness to jump in and lead projects has been incredible for the center.

4) Does the applicant motivate others and serve as a positive role model?

The GEC currently has 3 student ambassadors and Melony has taken on a leadership role even though they were all hired around the same time period. She models positive and constructive behavior in the center. Everyone in the center relies on Melony for her intelligent and thoughtful responses and willingness to always do a great job.

5) Do you have any concerns about this student's character?

None. Again, she is a leader in our center and always willing to go the extra mile for our student's and the demands of the center.

Lastly, I think Melony is an excellent candidate for the PTK scholarship. She is a balanced and compassionate person and student. She takes her academic career very seriously while maintaining her duties as a student ambassador in the GEC. Her dedication to her academics and our office is outstanding.

Sincerely,



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Dear Pride Foundation Scholarship Committee,

Hello, I am Marci Parker, Melony Burnett's Supervisor in the Gender Equity Center here at Lane Community College. Melony has been working with us, as a Gender Equity Ambassador, through the work-study program since summer 2021.

She has proven to be reliable, a self-starter, shows a high level of motivation, provides helpful suggestions, and is a positive mentor of her peers. She provides a strong example of leadership through a variety of tasks in the Gender Equity Center and on the college campus as well. After only working here a month or so she helped run the GEC on her own for three weeks while I was out of the office for personal reasons. The center had been closed for almost 1 year prior to her being hired due to Covid-19 restrictions. She has done a lot of work to reorganize the office creating a welcoming space once again for our students and anyone that wants to stop by. The GEC has always been known to be a place that is welcoming to everyone, whether they are a student or not. Melony, is currently in the process of training two of our newest Gender Equity Ambassadors! She helps to motivate her new co-workers by thinking of tasks to have them complete, helping them with thinking creatively for themselves on future projects by talking with them about possibilities, and suggests information to look into further, to help them help others!

She does exceptionally well with being resilient and persistent. For example whenever she is not quite sure of how to help a student she will continue trying until she finds a resolution or suggestion. If a student doesn't know where they need to go on campus she will show them the way! She seeks challenges through thinking of more ways to improve the GEC and being a part of specific projects on campus. For example she recently completed a project regarding sustainable menstrual cups through a company named AllMatters. She had many responsibilities throughout this project that offered a free menstrual cup to students that were interested.

I have observed her helping students and find her to be a role model for others to look up to. She shares some of her experiences with individuals to relate to what they're going through. She uses patience while explaining things to others and has assisted with the process of getting students into our Women in Transition class as well.

I do not have any concerns about her character or abilities. I would highly recommend her for any scholarship as I can see that she does what she can to follow through to make goals happen! She is not only personally a part of the LGBTQA+ community but she is also an Ally as well! We are happy to have her here!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marci Parker".

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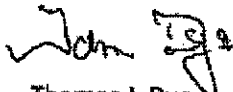
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To Whom It May Concern,

I have known Melony Burnett for nearly six years, during which time she has been a licensed real estate principal broker with our office in Eugene. Melony is an intelligent, creative, and self-directed person. During the time she has been associated with our office she has not only sold properties but has also purchased homes needing rehabilitation and personally done the rehabilitation work. I would highly recommend Melony for any programs that you might offer. She has the drive, intelligence, and work ethic to succeed in any field she might choose. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

Best Regards!



Thomas J. Dye