



STAFF
ASSEMBLY



Staff Assembly General Meeting Agenda

September 21, 2022 | 10-11am

Welcome and Call to Order

Start time: 10:03am

Board Self Introductions (2 min)

Public Comments (5 min)

- Christian Ortiz, User Experience Specialist, Office of Information Technology
 - October is Cyber Security Awareness Month and the Office of Information Technology will be hosting events throughout the Month.

Regents/CUSCA Update:

- Ian attended the September 19-21st Board of Regents meeting along side other CUSCA members. Six CUSCA members were given the floor to make public comments in favor of a 6% staff wage increase for policy covered staff
 - Link to the Agenda can be found here:
<https://regents.universityofcalifornia.edu/meetings/agendas/sept23.html>

Announcements (5 min)

- Affinity Group Announcements- No Announcements were made.
- Transportation & Parking Services
 - In previous meetings, staff wanted to have the option to pay at an hourly rate in certain staff designated parking lots (Le Grand, library lot) .
 - TAPS is working on providing an hourly rate option for these parking in the Flow Bird App. Currently the app allows students to pay for parking in staff designated parking lots. More information is to be shared out once the glitch is fixed.

Staff Assembly Officer Updates and Comments

- **President's Updates**
 - Special Election for VP
 - The deadline was extended until 09/30/2023.
 - The responsibilities of the role is a 3 year commitment (vice president, president, and past president); serve as the Junior Delegate to the Council of University of California Staff Assemblies; work alongside UC system wide HR; and chair of the Staff Excellence Awards Planning Committee;
 - If you are interested in the role or have any questions feel free to reach out to Ian Cooke, Austyn Smith Jones, or reach out to staff assembly email.
 - If you have a colleague in mind that you think would excel in this role, feel free to reach out to Staff Assembly and we can reach out to them to provide any guidance and encouragement.
 - Link to the self-nomination link:

https://ucmerced.azure.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1zuynTHoVIW9yjl?Q_CHL=qr&utm_source=UC+Merced+Staff&utm_campaign=1a28908ce3-newsletter-2023-09-21&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_77d68c74fd-1a28908ce3-82922123

- CFO Search:
 - The CFO search is underway. The first two candidates interviewed on campus were conducted on Friday, September 15th and Monday, September 18th. The final candidate will be interviewed on Friday, September 22.
 - We encourage all staff to join the staff forum.
 - Reach out if you have questions that you would like Staff Assembly to share in the next interview forum.
- Campus Council search is ongoing. If you have questions or concerns about the search reach out to Ian.
- EJIE (Equity, Justice, & Inclusive Excellence) is looking to have someone volunteer for the Police Accountability Board (PAB) for AY 2023-24.
 - The PAB was created as part of President Drake's Community Safety Plan (2020) which was intended to reinvigorate safety at UC in the wake of the George Floyd/BLM protests. UC Merced continues to be committed to a Police Accountability Board that promotes accountability, trust, and communication between members of our campus community and the UCM Police Department (UCMPD).
 - The expected responsibilities for individuals selected as PAB members and alternates include the commitment to:
 - 1. Set aside the necessary time throughout the year for PAB training and meetings;
 - 2. Prepare and read the appropriate materials in connection with making recommendations;
 - 3. Maintain ethical standards, including confidentiality; and
 - 4. Commit to a 2-year term.
- If interested in volunteering for this role, please reach out to Staff Assembly.
- **Past President's Updates**
 - Professional Development Program-
 - The Staff Assembly Professional Development Sponsorship Program is created to encourage, sponsor and support staff in seeking professional opportunities that may be related to their current role and responsibilities or related to an area of growth that the staff is seeking to obtain as part of their career trajectory.
 - Currently there is no deadline for the program. We are planning to review applications later in the fall term.
 - Link to the resource page:
 - <https://staffassembly.ucmerced.edu/resources/staff-assembly-resource-programs>
 - Provost Search: Currently underway. If you have any questions for the search, please reach out to Austyn so it can be shared with the search committee.
- **Vice President's Updates**
 - Leadership Chat September 25th
 - Interim Vice Chancellor and CFO Kurt Schnier
 - Registration link:
<https://ucmerced.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUufuuopz4vEtZV1tZ04hD8ExjssBnmaRCi#/registration>
 - Question link: https://ucmerced.azure.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3FbEYAuJs3vtWdg
 - Please ensure that you can RSVP to ensure we make fitting accommodation.
- **Secretary** No updates.

- **Finance Officers** No updates.
- **Events Co-Chairs**
 - Upcoming Events
 - Bobcat Bites: Pumkin Decorating Contest 10/11/2023 from 8:30am-10:00am in the Science and Engineering Building 2 - Breezeway
 - RSVP: https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=onf9HjKmEm3p-bQaS6s5hp33VEUacdEIFtLd5WEKwhUNVNUVllxM0dVUlcwTlJaRUxLM1IPS1IzWS4u&utm_source=UC+Merced+Staff&utm_campaign=1a28908ce3-newsletter-2023-09-21&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_77d68c74fd-1a28908ce3-82922123
 - Pumpkins will be provided.
 - Committees: Sign up to be part of the staff Assembly Events committee.
 - Link to sign up: <https://staffassembly.ucmerced.edu/form/get-involved-staff-assembly>

- **Communications Co- Chairs**
 - Newsletter Submissions
 - Newsletters come out on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month.
 - If you would like to post on the Newsletter, please feel free to reach out to us. It is preferred to submit the announcement to Staff Assembly within 2 weeks prior to the newsletter coming out; however we can accommodate if submitted on the Monday before the newsletter goes out.
 - Submissions can include upcoming professional developments from outside organizations.
 - Staff Assembly Link Tree: More information will be provided at a later date.

Adjourn: 10:22am