## W UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON | TACOMA

University of Washington Tacoma Staff Association Wednesday, April 26, 2017 Spring Quarter General Meeting Lucien Board Room (GWP 320)

Happy Administrative Professionals Day! Send a thank you note to an admin professional that makes a difference in your area.

## **Update on Staff Assembly meetings**

- Learning about the history of the Staff Association
- Collecting feedback on issues being faced by staff across campus
- Reminder of reps on campus. Can be found here: https://www.tacoma.uw.edu/staff/assembly

## **Staff Topics/Issues**

- Currently circulating a survey among staff to obtain feedback on topics/issues important to staff
- Able to provide feedback on issues that have already been brought up and add your own
- Survey is open until next week
- Shared list of topics that have already been submitted for discussion
  - Campus shuttle service Carly visited CJ, thought it meant between campuses (Tacoma/Seattle/Bothell) - need to clarify that this would be around our campus only
  - "Union 101" refers to education around unions who is unionized, what does it mean, etc.
    - Could reach out to the campus Union Steward
  - Need clarification of UW maternity leave policy
    - Advocate for paid maternity leave
    - Where are these conversations happening?
  - Survey is still open through next week, so folks can also submit additions or comments through that. Please encourage staff in your area to participate! The link will be resent later this week.
    - Consider sending emails in smaller batches, some folks reported not receiving it even though it was sent directly to individual email address. (Going to clutter/junk?)
- The Chancellor approved our budget request!
  - Approved for a temporary operating budget for the next 3 years
  - \$7,500.00 each year; only change was reducing pro dev line from \$5,000.00 to
    \$2,500.00 per year
- SIF proposals with the Strategic Plan are still being reviewed

- Unsung Hero Awards will be going live soon, please nominate a deserving staff member!
- Board Updates
  - Chair
    - SAASFA updates: discussed a faculty/staff program and time schedule matrix updates
  - Vice Chair
    - Spring Recognition Celebration coming up on May 4, you can sign up to volunteer when you RSVP for the event
    - AC for Equity and Inclusion search has kicked off, Niko is serving on that search committee
  - o Awards and Recognition
    - Distinguished Service Awards were chosen
      - 23 nominations for 18 people
      - 2 winners chosen
  - Cabinet Rep Update
    - Federal Way partnership agreement was signed
    - Most executive searches have been completed
    - Tioga Building remodel put on hold
    - New International Travel Policy, must register all international travel with <a href="mailto:travelregistry@uw.edu">travelregistry@uw.edu</a>
    - Paulsen Lecture Series is next Wednesday, May 3 @ 7:30pm, "Black Lives Matter A Conversation"
  - Treasurer
    - Shared last year's report and year-to-date
    - Attended campus budget committee meeting
      - Long and intense
      - Galen shared her notes from the February meeting and agenda from April's
  - o Mentor Chair
    - Working to revitalize how we view mentoring on campus as staff. Having a number of conversations with key stakeholders.

## **Announcements**

- Campus Spring Recognition event, May 4 @ 3pm, WPH
- Commencement Assistance we will have a "change of duty station" this year per the Chancellor, in essence to free up people to volunteer that day
- A second lactation room will be opening sometime this summer in the MAT
- Faculty/staff variety show this October!
  - o Performance and visual arts
  - o October 27, 2017, WPH
  - Sign-up by October 1