### Staff Council Agenda

**Overview**

**Meeting Date:** Thursday, February 18, 2021  
**Time:** 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Webex

**Meeting Leader:** Carreras, Alexandra  
**Timekeeper:** Frank Aversa

**Participants:**
- Aversa, Frank
- Clarke, Dominique
- Cuzzola, Gabriella M.
- Howard, Jasmine E.
- Llado-Wrzos, Michelle L.
- Sims, Deborah
- Vin, Priyadarshini G.
- Bracero, Isabel C.
- Cotrina, Marisela
- Garcia, Julio
- Reyes, Nisha
- Staromiejska, Ewa K.
- Villacis, Jessica
- Greenwood Allison K.
- Herrera, Cecille
- Screen-Reddick, Noelle

**Meeting Purpose:** Meeting of the University Staff Council

**Preparation:** Review any Staff Council related documents e-mailed prior. Bring copies to the meeting.

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**Committee Review**

- **Campus Life:** Shakera Rodgers  
  - Contacts: Cotrina, Marisela
- **Facilities:** Andrew Christ  
  - Contacts: Garcia, Julio
- **Human Resources:** TBD  
  - Contacts: Clarke, Dominique
  - Reyes, Nisha
  - Bracero, Isabel
  - Priya Vin
- **Info Systems & Communications:** Priscilla Milne  
  - Contacts: O’Connor-Knight, Meaghan
- **Finance:** Cara Bartolomeo  
  - Contacts: Stickna, Phil
- **Faculty Senate:** Liz DiBlasio  
  - Contacts: O’Connor-Knight, Meaghan
- **Strategic Planning Steering Committee:** Sims, Deborah
- **University Senate:** Peggy Kenrick  
  - Contacts: Cox, Alison K.
  - Carreras, Alexandra
- **Staff Council Election Committee**  
  - Contacts: Screen-Reddick, Noelle
  - Jasmine E. Howard
  - Cecille Herrera
  - VACANT
### Pandemic Recovery Advisory

**Campus Climate Workgroup**

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**OPEN 202005**

Will the WEC & Honors gyms reopen for the Fall? There are talks on other areas not normally used for class to hold classes. This may possibly affect the gyms.

Update 9/17/2020 - Open for athlete not open to public. Fitness Center Open to students with reservations. Basketball and some tennis courts closed used for classes.

Are there any services open for staff? Ask about gym at HR Meeting?

Update 10/15/2020: WEC is open for 25% process to request, only students.

Are Staff Members allowed to added.

HR committee will ask at next meeting.

Update: 11/19/2020: Bringing up at HR Committee.

Update: 2020-12-17: No update.

Update: 1/21/21: Will talk to athletics about staff access. mentioned in HR Committee.

**OPEN 202005**

Concerns about the feeling on campus upon return after passing away of employees. Will there be a memorial service for all?

Update 9/17/2020 - Meeting for HR at end of month to discuss.

Update 10/15/2020: Dr. Bloom has asked for a Moment of Silence before meetings and there are announcements going out.

To be brought up with HR. Consistency request, By department and by requests.

Update: 11/19/2020: Not bringing new people on campus soon.

Update: 2020-12-17: No update.

**OPEN**

Parking Issues - Is there a way to give public transportation an incentive for employees. Perhaps a state employee discount with NJ Transit? - Update: Have to figure cost of University vs how many employees are interested. Wait for new HR VP.

Update 10/15/2020: Parking will be charged as normal. Issues about street parking, $25 per day.

Update 9/17/2020 - No updates address at HR Meeting.

Update: 11/19/2020: Bringing up at HR Committee.

Update 1/21/21: No new information, funds have been allocated already, no likely to be a refund.

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| **OPEN on hold to phase 3** | **Hard to make left turns from New St to MLK by the Fenster Deck, and also from New St to Lock St near STPG. Can Public Safety direct traffic in these areas?** Per DC Kevin Kesselman an officer will be posted on New St & MLK as well as New St & Wilsey from 4:30pm to 5:30pm Monday-Friday, unless something comes up. Public Safety is short staffed and they need to maintain safety on campus. An officer will also remain at the Lock St/New St crossing.  
**Update:** This has been done, but making the turns is still difficult. Ian Lawson will bring this to Public Safety Lt’s attention.  
**Update 9/17/2020 - Traffic is low, keep open for phase 3 when more people on campus and rediscuss.**  
**Update 10/15/2020: SAME**  
**Update: 11/19/2020: SAME**  
**Update: 2020-12-17: No update** | **Public Safety** |
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| **OPEN** | **The campus was very icy on 12/19/19 and left unsalted in several areas. Update: Salting/cleaning of the area across Central Ave by Lot 12 is done by the City of Newark, not NJIT Facilities Services. However, the entrance ways to GITC on Central Ave were also very icy as well, and not addressed until late in the day.**  
**Update 9/27/2020 - Will readdress when the weather gets colder**  
**Update 10/15/2020: Waiting for icy snowy weather**  
**Update: 11/19/2020: Waiting for cold weather.**  
**Update: 2020-12-17: No update**  
**Update 1/21/21: with recent weather, campus deicing was done well,** | **Facilities** |
| **OPEN** | **How close is NJIT to being a smoke free campus? Update:** We are not close at all to achieving this. There are a lot of moving pieces to this. In fact it is hard for state run colleges/universities in NJ to achieve this (even though Essex CC is smoke free). We have unions and HR to consider in this process as well. Dean Boger is actively looking for alternative ideas on this topic.  
**Update 9/17/2020 - Not a smoke free campus, is less of a priority in Covid times, will bring back up with Campus Life**  
**Update 10/15/2020: Campus Life Next Meeting**  
**Update: 11/19/2020: Address when we are back to campus.**  
**Update: 2020-12-17: No update**  
**Update 1/21/21: Has been brought up on hold due to other high priority such as covid.** | **Campus Life** |
| **OPEN (EXTENDED)** | **Can Staff Council members serve on the Presidential Search Committee?** - Nisha emailed Fadi. Gabby emailed Peggy and was told there is no Presidential Search at this time. Keep open until we get more info.  
**Update 9/17/2020 - Keep open for additional information**  
**Update 10/15/2020: Final Year is 2022. Research search committee who are members. Nothing about membership.**  
**Update: 11/19/2020: Will Bring up at meetings.**  
**Update: 2020-12-17: No update**  
**Update 1/21/2021: Was discussed in HR meeting, No Staff representation, this will be looked into.** | **HR** |
| Closed 10/15/2020 | A couple of retirees have mentioned that they've lost access to Pipeline. That means they've lost their ability to get the electronic delivery of pay stubs and W2s for tax purposes. In one case, an Alumnus who recently retired was completely disabled preventing access to the email for life for Alumni. The issue is related to progress with the Identity Management Project in IST. Certain specific roles have either not been defined or not rolled out yet (like Retiree+Alum). Also, both retirees commented that they would have appreciated some sort of exit interview where items like this were covered. Can an offboarding process be made standard? Update: Pipeline access is connected to active job assignments. No exit interviews are required. Wait for new HR VP. Update 9/27/2020 - No updates to access, brought to information systems my have been related to not claiming ID, is it IT, or status in HR. Update 10/15/2020: It has been Fixed Mostly people ignored claiming accounts. Meegan motioned, Allison 2nd- Closed | HR Committee/Info Systems Committee |
| Closed 9/27/2020 | The Council would like to see the creation of a bank where we can donate sick time.  
  * Lauren Rubitz said this is in progress.  
  * Still being worked on. Policy needs to be approved by unions; Staci/Nisha will follow up.  
  * Negotiating has started with unions.  
  There is a new NJ Earned Sick Leave Law that will be in effect soon. As the university discusses any changes that will need to be made regarding the law, we will not be moving forward with the donated sick leave policy at this time.  
  Not sure how the law relates to the sick bank.  
  Need more info.  
  Keep open until the new law is reviewed by HR  
  -Update: Lauren Rubitz spoke on this. Sick bank still needs to be reviewed at next Staff Council meeting.  
  Update 9/17/2020 - Linked to sta law, basically told no. Motion to Close Item, Dominique 1st, Julio 2nd Item Closed | HR Committee |