

CSULB Staff Council Meeting

April 11, 2025



CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY
LONG BEACH
Staff Council

- Start Time: [8:31am]
- Land Acknowledgement
- Mission Statement
- POLL FOR QUORUM [28 /33 required; meets quorum]
- Approval of March Minutes: APPROVED
- Approval of the April Agenda, amended (removed By Laws discussion: APPROVED)

Special Reports

- **Neil Hultgren, Academic Senate Chair**
 - Senate has 3 more meetings before end of semester; typically weekly meetings; final meeting May 1 and will kick off Senate seats for the next academic year; will elect new members and fill committees (more info on staff vacancies on Senate committees below in the “Nominating” report if you are interested in joining).
 - Passed the “Culminating Activities” policies in March; sent to Pres., waiting for signature; Masters’ degrees policies will be updated and it is a good development
 - Senate is currently working on Emeritus policy for retired faculty and eligibility for the title
 - Back to work on GVAR policies—CSU Chancellor’s office just recently changed some policies on this, so now we have to revise ours to fit the CSU system policy
 - Staff Council (Colleen and Ann) presented a resolution to Senate about the creation of a system-wide Staff Council body; will move to a reading on the floor of the next Senate meeting—it had positive approval so far and hopefully will be finally approved.
 - Staff Council will share this resolution with our members when it is finalized. The purpose of this resolution is to have staff representation on the CSU Board of Trustees meetings. There is currently no role for staff rep at the meetings.
 - Reminder: [Academic Senate meetings](#) are open to the campus community; only elected members can vote, but you can observe and it’s a great insight into shared governance processes.
- **Stacey Schack, Associate Director, Staff Learning Development (see PDF attached of all these events and links to sign up)**
 - Employee of the Month: Ayendili Alvarez- will celebrate her next week
 - Employee Motivation & Engagement -theme of the month: all kinds of talks and webinars!
 - CSU’s Got Talent Webinar: Business Writing in the Age of AI , April 15, 10-11am

Staff Development Center Events

In-person and virtual!

(Links on the graphic below are not live—please visit the SDC website.)

Upcoming Events	
Friday, April 11 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.	TED Bites-"The Puzzle of Motivation"
Thursday, April 17 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	The Importance of Intergroup Dialogue and Skills for Facilitation
Friday, April 18 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Extra! Extra! Learn All About Printing Services at CSULB
Friday, April 18 12:00-1:00 p.m.	Prep-ardy (Preparedness Jeopardy)
Friday, April 18 2:30-3:30 p.m.	Cycle of Socialization
Wednesday, April 23 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Integrating a Restorative Approach in Your Work
Thursday, May 1 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Estate Planning Made Easy: A Free Resource for You!
Friday, May 9 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.	TED Bites: How to Get Your Brain to Focus
Wednesday, May 28 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Academic Resources Conference Watch Party

Special Guests

- **Chad Keller, Director of Special Projects & PR/Comms, Parking & Transportation**
[BEACHGO App!](#) Commuter Assistance App – SEE FLYER ATTACHED
 - **History:**
 - We used to have “Rideshare Rewards” to log commute and get Beach Bucks; “Zimride” was also tried to match for carpooling. Both have been discontinued for various reasons.
 - **Goals for New App Project**
 - Make it easier to access campus for our 41,300 students and 3,600 staff
 - To make alternative forms of travel less intimidating and easy to use
 - **Description**
 - Researched 8 different apps—decided on BeachGo – launched in Jan 2025
 - On App store and Google Play and ready to download
 - FREE
 - Provides trip planning carpool matches, navigation, rewards!! Earn points for being greener (rewards for restaurants, activities, shopping, services, drawings for big giveaways!, etc.)
 - 9 bus lines come to campus – try one!
 - 8 bikeshare stations on campus and more throughout local area; ride in and leave bike on campus.
 - So many features!!

- You can even get rewards for driving to campus, but you get more points for being “greener”
- The more people in the app, the more options we will all have for getting to campus!
- Q: Does the data captured from this app help the campus in some way?
 - Yes! Helps us know how we are doing in our goals to reduce carbon

Officer's Reports

- **Chair, Collen Ryan**
 - Thanks to all for volunteering at the event! Esp. Bethany Price for picking up pizza! And to President Conoley for always supporting this event.
 - We purchased pizza this year to say thank you to Dominoes for donating at the last few events.
- **Vice Chair, Ann Kinsey**
 - Welcome New Members! Tess Sheets, Thalia Campos, Teri Takemoto (renewal)
 - Today is the deadline to be a Staff Rep at Academic Senate- contact Ann if interested.
- **Treasurer, LeeLee Jackson**
 - Funds= \$3,689 & \$201
 - More from fundraisers coming in and will be included in next month's report
 - Not sure about next year's support since we'll have a new campus President; we are trying to save up as much as possible to continue our programming. We will carry on no matter!
- **Secretary, Laura Emery**
 - Fundraiser info now on SC website if you want the flyer: [Lucille's BBQ](#)
- **Members-At-Large, Kristin Bonetati**
 - No report

Committee Reports

- **Membership, Ann Kinsey**
 - Staff Council Representative Members: we have vacancies- please reach out to a co-worker if your area is low. Check the [Reps Roster on SC website](#) for more info on seats available in your area.
 - Zoom Poll: Why I Became a Staff Council Member (pick your top 3):
 1. Learn about campus resources: 79%
 2. Help make the campus a great place to work: 62%
 3. Meet colleagues: 59%
 4. Share updates and announcements: 56%
 5. Get leadership experience (38%)
 6. Get skills to enhance resume (15%)
- **Nominating, Ann Kinsey**

We will be voting in our May SC meeting for these vacancies:

 - [Staff Council Executive](#) positions are open for nomination for the next year!
 - Staff Council openings for Chairs of Subcommittees: [Membership](#), [Special Events](#), [Staff Development](#), [ByLaws](#), [Ways and Means](#)

- Academic Senate Committees—there are Staff Rep openings for these important campus committees:
 1. [ACSEM \(ADVISORY COUNCIL ON STRATEGIC ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT\)](#)
3yr. term, meets 2nd Thursday, 10am-12pm
 2. [FACT \(FACULTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TECHNOLOGY\)](#)
2yr. Term, meets 1st Tuesdays, 11am-12:15pm (1 non-ATS or -ITS staff member)
 3. [LGBTQIA+CCC \(LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, QUEER, INTERSEX, ASEXUAL + CAMPUS CLIMATE COMMITTEE\)](#)
3yr. Term, meets 2nd Fridays, 12-1pm
 4. [SFAC \(STUDENT FEE ADVISORY COMMITTEE\)](#)
1 yr. term, meets as needed in person in the USU on Friday mornings
 5. **URECBOT (The University Student Union & Student Recreation and Wellness Center, Board Of Trustees)**
1 yr. Term, meets 1st Fridays, 1pm in the Dr. Stuart L. Farber Senate Chambers (USU-234). Meets over Summer.
 6. **CEG (COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT GROUP)**
1 yr. Term, meets via Zoom
- [President's Council on Sustainability \(PCS\)](#) vacancy- now taking nominations from floor
 1. Self-nominated: Janine Rodriguez
- **Ways and Means, Corrie O'Toole**
 - Fundraiser: Eat to Support Staff Council at Lucille's BBQ; mention SC on April 23 and we'll get 20% back from total sales. It's Administrative Professionals Day! Celebrate your team! Dine in or Take Out.
- **Staff Development, Karla Reyes**
 - No report
- **By Laws**
 - No report this week—but in May/June we will present some changes to ByLaws and get your feedback
- **Special Events, Kristin Bonetati & Christina Salvador**
 - Summer Staff Day will be sometime in July- more info coming soon

Open Announcements

- AI Survey—Please do it today!! [How do you feel about AI?](#)
- [ATS Tech Workshops for Staff:](#) Create Qualtrics Reports, Real Talk from Students about AI, Demystifying ADA
- [Benefits Workshops:](#)
 - Financial Workshops: Savvy Shopping & Saving
 - Communicating with Children
 - Tackle Debt & Understand Your Credit Score
 - Retirement Planning

Adjournment at [9:44am].

Submitted by: Laura Emery