



## CSULB Staff Council Meeting

- Start Time: [8:32am]
- Land Acknowledgement
- Mission Statement
- POLL FOR QUORUM: [79%]
- Agenda: moved by AK, seconded and approved.
- Past Meeting Minutes: Move to amend by AK: two new guest speakers added (Noemi Guevara and Amy Wright); seconded and approved.

### Chair's Report- Alessandro Russo

- Happy New Year!
- Future of Staff Council-- this is the last semester for my tenure as Chair. If you would like to be involved on the SC Exec Committee, please contact me for any questions. All positions on the Exec Committee will be expiring in June, so let us know if you are interested. Come to the Meet and Greet event we are planning in March – we will be there to answer any questions and chat about the experience of SC Exec—see details below.

### Vice Chair's Report – Ann Kinsey

- See Committee Reports

### Treasurer – Julie Woods

- Current balances:
  - LB49R Fund N0202: \$1969
  - LBCMP Fund MT153: \$201
    - Includes fundraising totals from See's Candy in Nov/Dec = \$435.78
- No expenses in December-- we got generous donations for Cherishing the Children to cover costs and buy toys. Thank you to President Conoley and DAF for supporting this event.

### Secretary – Laura Emery

- **What's New on [Staff Council Web](#):** Events listing on home page with links to more info
- **MS Teams Byte:** For a good overview of how to use MS Teams, [watch this recording of a MS Teams Workshop for Staff](#) hosted by ATS. Please reach out to [Laura.Emery@csulb.edu](mailto:Laura.Emery@csulb.edu) if you want to be added to our [Staff Council General Teams channel](#) – don't need to be a Representative-all staff are welcome!! (You can also just Request to Join on Teams and I will get a notification). A great way to make announcements and share resources with your colleagues. Tell your colleagues!!
- **Staff Council Roster:** Please review the [Current Representatives Roster](#) to make sure your unit's info is updated. Also if you know of someone who has left the university or changed positions, email us at [staff-council@csulb.edu](mailto:staff-council@csulb.edu).

## Members-at-Large – Jeff Scott & Colleen Ryan

- No report

## Special Reports

- No report

## Special Guests

- **8:45am Noemi Guevara, Alumni Relations**
  - [Oral History Project](#):
    - Data verification project and a way to tell stories of former students' journey through CSULB
    - We are at the end of the project- closes Feb 16; you can still participate - just reach out to Noemi and she will give you a unique link to submit your info
    - We had challenges getting postcards to some addresses, and some emails may have gone to your junk folder. There is a picture of the postcard on the website you can check so you don't feel like its sketchy-- it is legit
    - A commemorative book will be published with all the stories and available for sale with history, pictures, etc. Only participating Alumni can buy the book.
    - The company sells different products, books, t-shirt etc-- the company doesn't charge university to gather this info.
      - **[Question]:** Can we have a copy of the book for the university archives?  
Also, I have content to share (Heather)
  - **[Question]:** Will there be a Homecoming event coming back?
    - **[Response]:** No, but we will be having a meeting soon to celebrate 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the university. We will have a logo that people can use in their communications materials.
      - **[Comment]:** There is a time capsule buried on campus somewhere for the 50th anniversary!
- **9:15am Amy Wright, Head Coach, Women's Basketball**
  - New coach! Been at CSULB about a year. "Excited to meet y'all 😊"
  - From Indiana; Has been coaching for over 20 years
  - Stop by my office in the Pyramid to say hi any time-open door!
  - Wants to connect with everyone to learn more about the campus; doing outreach to engage in the community e.g. local high school outreach "Adventures to Dream" foundation for young women; also helped CSULB students at Move-In Day
  - Welcomes any opportunities to get athletes out in the community and engaged with projects --anything we can do to help and connect --let us know.

- Please come out and support us at games-- still recovering from Covid in terms of the crowd presence-- we want to have the fans out there to support the team
- **[Question]:** Thank you for coming to this Staff Council meeting- your energy is very refreshing and much needed. What can we (SC) do for you?
  - **[Response]:** We'd love to come out and engage with folks if you like to invite us to events-- it would be helpful if you plan all the logistics and just tell us when and where to show up!
- **[Question]:** Will there be a Booster Club?
  - **[Response]:** Yes, we are hoping to establish a booster club to develop relationships

### Staff Development -Susan Tsuji, Karla Reyes

- **Tour of Alumni Center Jan 16 and 25;** bring lunch and we'll eat on the patio. *Note: Jan. 16 is full, but there is still space for Jan 25.*
- **Private Lunch for Staff Council at Parkside Dining Hall** - private room and tour; it's new and remodeled; new chefs, new food options, pay at the door then can access buffet. Open to all faculty, staff and students anytime—don't need to just join this event to eat there.

### Bylaws & Policies – Charleen Rice

- No report

### Membership – Ann Kinsey, Colleen Ryan, & Jeff Scott

- **Meet and Greet Event** March 6, 4-6pm, at the Nugget (refreshments served)
  - Planning in progress – let us know if you want to join planning group
  - Great opportunity to get together after work to chat and get acquainted; Staff Council Execs will be there to share information about the SC experience
  - Check Staff Council website for details

### Nominating – Ann Kinsey

- **Staff Council Outstanding Staff Award**
  - Nominations will be accepted Feb 2- March 1. Email will go out on Feb 2nd
  - Please nominate your colleagues! Great for morale and to acknowledge our dedicated staff.

### Ways and Means – Julie Woods

- **See's Candy Valentines campaign** – heart-themed boxes; Order by Jan. 26!
- **Fundraiser at Panera on Bellflower Blvd, February 7, 4-8pm;** eat-in or take-out and help support Staff Council! This Panera is located near the freeway entrance -- Get dinner on your way home from work ;)

## Special Events, Kristin Bonetati, Christina Salvador

- **Spring Staff Day!** Save the date! April 3 (Spring Break), 11-1
  - Check the announcement on our [Staff Council Special Events Teams channel](#) for more details and come to our planning meeting on Jan 18, 1-2pm which will also be on the Teams channel.
  - Please get involved! This is a fun event and last year over 400 people attended! Great way to meet colleagues and work on a project may be a little different from your usual routine. Can add to your resume experience! Very much appreciated by everyone.

## Announcements

- **New Support Group—"Staff Elder Loved Ones"**
  - CSULB Staff support group to share experiences around caring for older family and friends; this is a staff-initiated group sponsored by Staff Council.
  - Tentative meeting. Jan 31, 11-1 at the Anatol—please join us.
  - Contact Kristin Bonetati, Colleen Ryan, or Alessandro Russo if you are interested
- **Study Abroad Programs for Staff!** Yes, staff can join a short term abroad program; many are open to all, not just students; most are led by faculty. Last year for the "Fashion in Paris!" tour in the summer! Other fun trips: Medieval England! Greece!! **Deadline January 12 for the Celebrity Cruise around Italy!**
- Reach out to Sharon Olsen if you have any questions.
- Visit the [Terra Dotta](#) database listing all study abroad programs to find short-term programs and reach out to the faculty member who is leading them for more details.

Adjournment: motion to adjourn [ LT] seconded and adjourned at 9:34 am.

Submitted by: Laura Emery, SC Secretary