

CSULB Staff Council Meeting

November 18, 2024



CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

LONG BEACH

Staff Council

- **Start Time:** [8:32am]
- **Land Acknowledgement:**
CSULB is located on the sacred site of Puvungna. We acknowledge that we are on the land of the Tongva/Gabrieleño and the Acjachemen/Juaneño Nations who have lived and continue to live here. We recognize the Tongva and Acjachemen Nations and their spiritual connection as the first stewards and the traditional caretakers of this land. We thank them for their strength, perseverance and resistance.
- **Mission Statement**
Staff Council actively supports the mission of the University and seeks to develop, maintain, and encourage positive relationships and communications with our campus community, friends, and neighbors. Staff Council is concerned with the viewpoints and interests of staff on University or community issues NOT covered by collective bargaining.
- **POLL FOR QUORUM:** [96% attending are voting members]
- **Past Meeting Minutes,** approved.
- **Today's Agenda:** approved.

Chair's Report- Colleen Ryan

- **Native American Heritage Month!** [Lots of events and opportunities to learn more.](#)
- **Thank you for your attendance and help** with Spooktacular! Research shows that workplace happiness is improved with relationships at work. Your participation with Spooktacular made people happy and contributed to making the campus a great place to work.

Vice Chair's Report – Ann Kinsey

- Welcome new member—Amber George, Kleefeld Museum, Fiscal & HR Rep

Treasurer - Lee Lee Jackson

- \$239 in LB49er account; \$201 in LBCMP fund.
- Funds show a bit low because we just covered some expenses for Spooktacular; Pres. Conoley & DAF always supportive of our events as well as ATS with the AV equipment.

Secretary – Laura Emery

- Check out Halloween Spooktacular photos on our [Facebook account](#)

Special Reports

- **Neil Hultgren, Academic Senate:**
 - Thanks for letting me a judge at Spooktacular! The goodies and costumes were great! Went for tour at UCUA where they had a wonderful display of Disney characters.
 - Had our AS retreat on Oct. 31 at Alumni Center; opportunity to look at old photos and documents related to the history of shared governance on campus. Inspired a discussion on how shared governance can evolve for the future.
 - AS passed the General Education Policy last month!

- Recently started looking at Masters programs; rest of the semester will be dedicated to these issues:
 - Review of “culminating activities” = thesis, exams, etc. for Masters degrees.
 - Some programs haven’t been reviewed for about 10 years or codified into policy.
- Report coming soon for the Student Union and where everyone will be relocated; will advise and make recommendations.

- **Stacey Schack: Updates on Staff Learning & Dev**
 - Employee of the Month:
 - October: Chao Huang
 - November- Alyana Cosores
 - Learning & Dev Opps:
 - Upcoming workshop: [Strategies for a Hybrid Workplace](#)
 - Cross campus collaboration workshops: Browse and enroll on MyBeach; many workshops for you to learn along with colleagues from around the CSU system
 - CSU’s Got Talent talk: November 13: “Imposter Syndrome”
 - Nominate your colleagues for [Best of the Beach!](#)

- **International Education Committee Report, Laura Emery, Mark Hansbery Maples**
 - [International Education Week](#), Nov. 12-22
 - African Extravaganza, Global Village Festival, Advocate Training
 - [Study Abroad Programs](#)
 - Winter Programs in Italy, Paris, Australia, S. Korea, Singapore, Malaysia
 - For exchange programs, CSULB students pay the CSULB tuition (and use their financial aid if they have it) which makes it more affordable for many
 - [ASCEND Program](#):
 - Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Student Success- program for improving access affordability and success for this group of students.

Special Guests

- **Nancy Torres Poblano—Sustainability: Green Events!**
 - With holidays coming up, great time to integrate sustainability efforts into your planning.
 - Events have major impacts on our health and environment; lots of waste gets generated.
 - Sustainability = is the intersection of Environment, Equity, and Economy:
 - Why act sustainably?
 - Save resources, energy, reduce waste, support local economy, creates inclusion
 - Meets campus goals = Beach 2030, Carbon Neutral by 2040, Gold rating in STARS
 - [Green Events Program](#): can get training= certification available—sign up today!
 - [Get a checklist of planning](#) goals for your events to guide you and achieve goals
 - [Equity & Sustainability Event Toolkit](#)

- Examples of success: Career Dev Center job fair provided snacks and drinks for students buffet style, compostable plates and napkins; Kick off For 75th Anniversary: green bins for compostable materials; Spooktacular- water in coolers with recyclable cups rather than individual water bottles.
 - Working on a composting program with the Pyramid!
- **Kristin Bonetati / Patrick Joyce- Bookstore Refresh**
 - Bookstore refresh project by June 2025 (see slides attached- renderings look darker than the reality, just FYI). Bookstore will remain open throughout remodel as usual.
 - The Bookstore will NOT be moving for the USU remodel.
 - Need to vacate 2nd floor of bookstore in prep for remodeling of USU because it will be turned into a lounge and study space for students / partner with ASi
 - Hired a designer to figure out everything to make sure the traffic flow is good and looks nice
 - LBS Credit Union will occupy left side of bookstore
 - Student ID space will have a dedicated area along with Printing & Design shop
 - Textbooks area will be smaller as more books are going digital
 - .Computer store will look more like an Apple store since that's what it mostly sells
 - New checkout area- more like individual cashier booths rather than a big counter
 - New big windows up front for natural light people can see inside
 - REMINDER: 10% off for all faculty & staff **all the time** even on top of sale items (except some restrictions e.g., computer equip). Be sure to show your ID card when checking out and be patient with student workers who sometimes forget

Membership – Ann Kinsey

- Meet and Greet! Wednesday, Dec. 4, 4:30-6:30pm @The Nugget,

Nominating – Ann Kinsey

- Opening coming up for CPACE Advisory Committee; meets 3rd Monday of month. Will present more information at next SC meeting.

Ways and Means - Corrie O'Toole

- [Yum Raiser! See's Candy](#) – please order **by Dec. 6** to support Staff Council. We will get a percent back from total sales. Free shipping after \$75. Great for that last minute gift or holiday party (or to keep all to yourself :)

Staff Development - Karla Reyes

- [Tuesday Talks](#)—Jackie Amezcuita, artist; Nov. 19, 12-1pm. Let's go as a group! Please email Karla.Reyes@csulb.edu if you would like to attend with us.

Special Events- Kristin Bonetati, Christina Salvador

- First meeting to plan [Cherishing the Children](#) party:
 - will have the cool police car, police dog, Elbee, Santa and Ms. Claus, and fun activities for children
 - Toy Drive has kicked off—we have wrapped boxes if you need one for your department—let us know.
 - First toy wrapping party week before Thanksgiving- let us know if you would like to join us! Sign up will be available soon.
 - We need volunteers for the event itself—come and be an Elf! Sign up coming soon.
 - Partnering with foster youth organization and we invite their children and teens
 - We would like to invite appropriate groups from our campus like Patterson’s Childcare, Parents and Children, etc. If you know of a group—let us know and we will reach out to them to coordinate. Email Kristin.Bonetati@csulb.edu or Christina.Salvador@csulb.edu

Open Announcements

- **Holiday Open House at Bookstore**, November 15, 8am-8pm; food served 11am-7pm
 - 25% off clothing and office supplies (with exceptions) + staff discount = approx.. 32% (stacked discount)
 - Super clearance sale to get ready for remodel
 - Food, photo booth, ugly sweater contest, book signing
- **BBS Holiday Cart Parade!!**
 - December 6; judging starts at 9:45 in BBS Corp Yard, campus parade at 10am
 - If you don’t have your own cart, you can reserve one
 - Need a license to drive a cart- training available, but it takes a few days to approve, so do in advance
 - We need cart decoration judges—let us know
 - Contact crystal.bennett@csulb.edu for cart, volunteer to judge, or questions
- **Holiday Sustainability Tips**
 - Donate to campus food pantry! [Amazon Wish List](#) – super easy
 - Sign up with [Beach Bites](#) to give away leftover food instead of throwing away
 - Bring your own containers to parties
 - Avoid single use containers
- **Intro to 3D Modeling @ISPACE** - Workshop for Faculty, Staff, and Students
 - Mondays, Nov. 18, Dec. 2, Dec 9, 1-2pm
 - Learn how to set up your files to create 3D printed objects at the ISPACE
 - Sign up at [csulb.edu/inspace Workshops and Events](https://csulb.edu/inspace)
- **Lost and Found Sale!!** Nov. 14, 10am-3pm, SRWC Plaza
- **HR Workshop – Happy Affordable Holidays**, Tuesday, Nov. 12, 11am
- **REMINDER:** Please use the [Staff Council Teams Channel](#) to share your announcements and events!! All the things in-between Staff Council meetings!
- **REMINDER:** Please share Staff Council meeting minutes and flyers widely departments.

Adjournment at [9:57am]

Submitted by: Laura Emery