

**UVM Staff Council Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**January 4, 2024**  
**12:05-1:30 PM**  
**Chittenden Bank Room - Davis**

Please note that the content below is a summary;  
for the full context the video recording of the meeting must  
be referenced, available on the [Staff Council website](#).

**Members Present:** Amanda Anderson, Melissa Baker, Bob Bolyard, Adam Boothe, Amanda Broder, Corinne Cooper, Liz Crawford, Monika Donlevy, Skye Ellicock, Jenna Emerson, Janet Green, Nichole Hathaway, Sarah Hennessy, Maureen Jennings, Jennifer Jorgenson, Cindy Lee, Jennifer Main, Katherine McGinn Hall, Karyn McGovern, Jennifer Payne, Lucie Pecor, Perri Schodorf

**Staff:** Alan Shashok, Staff Council Administrator

**Guest:** Ellen Brennan - Program Administrator, VT Space Grant Consortium/NASA EPSCoR

**Call to Order:** Monika called the meeting to order at 12:09 PM

**Approval of Minutes:** December 2024 minutes were approved.

**Public Comments:** Liz provided feedback from last month's UVM Portal demo that they appreciated all the responses and comments.

**Ellen Brennan – Solar Eclipse discussion**

Ellen provided details on some of UVM's plans surrounding the total eclipse in April including Burlington is planning on 50 – 200 thousand visitors for the event.

**Committee Updates**

**Community Engagement**

**Allison,** Co-Chair reported

- The December meeting was canceled

**Social Committee**

**Melissa,** Co-Chair reported

- Post-Holiday Bazaar review
- Door decorating contest possibly in March/April
- Flynn Wizard of Oz discounted tix on sale soon
- Researching a Valentine's Day chocolate event

**Personal & Professional Development Committee (PPD)**

**Jennifer P,** Co-Chair reported

- CatChat continues to be planned
- Onboarding tour research with AdvoCats
- Curating resources for new hires
- How professional development is funded for staff

## **Compensation, Benefits & Budget Committee (CBB)**

**Janet**, Co-Chair reported

- HR guests were reschedule to January due to scheduling conflict
- Work on communications and survey continues

## **Officer's Report**

Monika reviewed the report as submitted. Jennifer M. discussed her ideas on Teambuilding across campus. The PPD committee will take on the item.

## **Other Business**

Reminder to save the date for the EOY Staff Council Recognition & Luncheon event hosted by President Garimella and senior administration.

**Meeting Adjourned:** The meeting was adjourned at 12:46 PM