

UVM Staff Council Monthly Meeting Minutes

April 1, 2025

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: Bob Bolyard, Sam Chambers, Chelsea Lynn Chu, Richard Cohen, Corinne Cooper, Monika Donlevy, Amanda Duling, Carly C. Duran-Marrero, Skye Ellicock, Nichole Hathaway, Maureen Jennings, Meredith Grasso, Jennifer Jorgenson, Cindy Lee, John Lovelette, Katherine McGinn Hall, Karyn McGovern, Jennifer Main, Jennifer Payne, Lucie Pecor, Jon Reisenweaver, Perri Schodorf, Susan Sobczak, Doug Stewart, Live Townsend, Sawyer Zundel

Staff: Alan Shashok, Staff Council Administrator

Guest:

Call to Order: Monika, called the meeting to order at 12:07 PM

Approval of Minutes: March 2025 minutes were approved as amended.

Public Comments: None

Committee Updates

Community Engagement

Liv, Co-Chair reported

- Review of all planned upcoming events
 - Book Club(s)
 - LCOM walk
 - Friendship Bracelet
 - Doll Making
 - Wednesday Walks thru June

Social Committee

Susan, Co-Chair reported

- 50+ at Skate Night. Due to Snafu, there were no cookies or hot chocolate, Staff Council Office will double confirm for future events
- Upcoming Lake Monster Tickets for 2 games
- Question about the possibility of having skates to rent in the future for Skate Night

Personal & Professional Development Committee

Jennifer “JP”, Co-Chair reported

- CatChat review, planning for 2 events in the coming year
- Occupational Environment ad hoc group formed
- Survey to Staff Council only on OE issues
- Collaboration with HR on Lunch & Learn series continues
- Feedback on new online onboarding training
- Feedback to HR on performance review process

Compensation, Benefits & Budget Committee

Jon, Co-Chair reported

- Chris Lehmen and Caitlyn Sisler met with the committee about the UVMCares program
- Working on priorities list

Nominating Committee

Katherine, Chair reported

- 4/11 deadline for nomination applications. Additional outreach to be done by the committee

Officer's Report

Monika reviewed the report as submitted, in addition:

- Encouraged continued support of President Prelock through her tenure as Interim President
- Transition process for incoming President Tromp
- Reviewed some recent federal actions and UVM's response
- Question on Climate Survey, Richard Cohen offered some updates
- Question on the "Scenario Planning Groups", this was simply a place holder name, they are now the "Working Groups" of which there are 4, Monika serves on the Immigration group.
- DOIE work has not changed or slowed down

Other Business

Liv reviewed the launch of the Our Common Ground award process. Liv also offered a call out for members to serve on the Staff Appreciation Committee. Seeking to change the event(s) this year.

Question to Jonathan D'Amore's plans given the change in administration. Response was he has no plans to go anywhere.

Meeting Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 12:59 PM