## **Staff Council Officer's Report**

## September 2025

#### SC LEADERSHIP WITH UVM PRESIDENT

On August 27, 2025, Jennifer, Samantha, Alan, Monika Donlevy, recent past SC President and Jennifer Main, recent past SC VP, met with Dr. Tromp, UVM President. Items discussed included:

- Reviewed Staff Council organization as well as recent work for the past 2 years. Dr. Tromp has experience with governance bodies such as Staff Council. Dr. Tromp is enthusiastic about engagement with governance groups and the opportunity to work with them.
- Discussion on communications to the UVM community and how to improve this. Dr.
  Tromp formalizing communication protocol and has a specialist coming to examine
  UVM communication infrastructure.
- The initial phases of developing a Strategic Plan were discussed as well as the forming of a working group to develop the plan with the goal of completion by the end of 2025.
- Jennifer provided background on a Staff Day of Volunteerism and a few of the hurdles to make this happen. Dr. Tromp loves the concept. Boise State figured it out with the CFO and HR taking the lead.

### SC LEADERSHIP WITH CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE PRESIDENT

On September 15, 2025, Jennifer, Samantha and Alan met with Johnathan D'Amore, Chief of Staff to the President. Items discussed included:

- The discontinuance of the College Street shuttle was discussed. It appears the city was
  covering the cost of the free shuttle and may have pulled the funding originally.
  Construction currently on and along College Street may have made this route
  problematic. Jennifer and Samantha will contact T&PS to gauge any possible option for
  replacement.
- We reviewed Dr. Tromp's response on volunteerism from our meeting on 8/27. There is already a student volunteerism program that may be able to be expanded to include staff.
- Engaging with CFO Alicia Estey should be ok at this point. The challenge will be her calendar and availability as well as drilling down into the specifics of why we wish to meet with her as opposed to a simple meet and greet. Jennifer and Samantha will pen a

letter of introduction to get the ball rolling. Once that is complete, it may be worth having CBB do the same.

# **Upcoming Leadership Meetings**

- Strategic Communications Leadership, 10/6/25
- Chief of Staff to the President, Jonathan D'Amore, 10/21/25
- UVM President, Dr. Tromp, 11/20/25
- HR Leadership, TBD