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Fall 2018 September 3, 2018

Fall Semester Staff Assembly Meetings

September 25, 2018 at 10am December 12, 2018 at 10 am Refreshments at 9:30 am Location: Gold Alcove, Wismer

Reminder emails will be sent prior to each event.



Bear In Mind

Please send us your topic of in-

terest, comment, concern, or suggestion. All submissions can be given anonymously unless you choose to provide your name. You can complete the Bear In Mind form on the Staff Assembly website, or email your comment to:

bearinmind@ursinus.edu

Open Forum at Staff Assembly Meetings

Please remember that at the end of each SA Meeting, there will be 15 minutes for anyone to make comments, suggestions or voice any concerns. Let's use this time for some inspiring conversation!

The Grizzly Details



Congratulations to our new 2018-2019 Staff Assembly Officers!



President: Jennifer Kuklentz

Jennifer started her Ursinus journey in March of 2015 with a BFA in Graphic Design from Temple's Tyler School of Art. Many of you know her from the Copy Center or Facilities front desk. What you might not know about Jennifer is that she has three daughters, one is a current Junior on campus, an awesome husband of 20+ years and several chickens, fish, chinchillas and a pug. She was a girl scout leader for 10 years and has also been certified in bartending and scuba diving. (Gotta do something on the weekends!)

What you probably do know about her is that she is very competitive

as seen by her entering various campus contests. She recently won the title of Masskrugstemmen Champion in NYC. (That's german for stein holding and yes, it is a thing.) She is looking forward to fulfilling her term as President by listening, engaging and hopefully making a difference for fellow staff members all while having a bit of fun!



Vice President: Nicole Smith

Nicole started at Ursinus in January 2018 and works as an Administrative Assistant working for the Dean's Office, Math and Computer Science Department, Physics Department, and the Institutional Review Board (IRB). She is excited for this opportunity to engage the staff through Staff Assembly and help make changes on campus so this continues to be a place we all love to work!



Treasurer: Jacqueline D'Ercole

Jacqui has been a member of the Advancement Office staff since 2013, when she joined Ursinus from the University of Pennsylvania. While her day job has her managing the donor relations, stewardship, communications and operations efforts of the Advancement Office, she is looking forward to serving the broader Ursinus staff community as Treasurer of Staff Assembly. She is admittedly not so gifted at math; however, she has an innate passion for labor relations. She is also a member of the Staff Affairs Subcommittee of Staff Assembly. In her free time, Jacqui enjoys horseback riding and is a member of the

Pickering Hunt Pony Club. She also enjoys reading, music, movies, television, and catering to the endless demands of her three cats and one dog.



Secretary Position Wanted!

Do you want to be part of the Staff Assembly Executive Board? Are you a skilled notetaker? Well, here is your chance! If you are interested in the secretary position please contact Jennifer Kuklentz or Nicole Smith.



Campus Talks

Staff Assembly is sponsoring Campus Talks this semester, which will be held every other Friday from 12:00 to 2:00 in the Faculty/Staff Dining Room starting on **September 7**.

The purpose of these Campus Talks is to create a space where faculty and staff from different departments can meet and discuss common topics of interest. These talks are meant to be informal drops-ins. Participants can arrive at any point during the two hours and stay for as long as they want. Facilitators will be there to suggest talking points and keep the conversation on topic but the discussions are largely participant-driven.

The hope is that these Campus Talks will facilitate cross-campus relationship building and collaborative brainstorming. Participants are encouraged to stay in contact with those they meet at the Campus Talks to continue the conversation and follow up on ideas generated.

Homecoming and Family Weekend September 21st-23rd



It's a two for one deal! For the first time in Ursinus history, Homecoming and Family Day will be celebrated on the same weekend. So mark your calendars now!

UC alumni, faculty, staff, students, and families are invited to come visit our beautiful campus. Whether it is to reconnect with old classmates, celebrate with new friends, see what's new on campus, watch a football game, or just to enjoy great food and relax, consider joining in on the fun and exciting weekend!

The Innovation and Discovery Center Dedication Ceremony and Celebration

> Saturday, October 27, 2018 12:30 p.m. | Dedication Ceremony 2 p.m. | Celebration and Tours

Join us as we mark the opening of this state-of-the-art building for the Ursinus College community as well as recognize its impact on our students, faculty and staff. RSVP is required. For more information and to register, go to <u>ursinus.edu/idc.</u>