



THE UNIVERSITY *of* NEW ORLEANS

STAFF COUNCIL

Friday, September 20th, 2024. Zoom.

Approval of Minutes

Guest Speaker: Mariana Martinez, Assistant Director Student Outreach & Support

Privateer Pantry:

- Supplemental groceries
- Students can place an order online and we let them know when it's ready
- It's been huge this semester especially with the storm
- We've had 180 orders this semester
- 2000 items have left our shelves that's a lot and we need your support!
- Please donate, you can do payroll deduction in workday – directions in the chat – one time or reoccurring
- Even just \$1 a paycheck is huge. That's toothpaste! Or rice!
- Amazon wish list is also a thing
- You can drop off items from your home too (unopened, unexpired)
 - Instructions for wish list, donations, and payroll deductions here:
<https://www.uno.edu/privateerpantry>

Executive Committee Reports

President: Debby Charrier—

Vice President: Maggie Sunseri – n/a

Recording Secretary: Coleen Maidlow –

Website: Updated, minutes posted

Faculty Senate:

- Discussion of 4 day class schedule for Spring 2025 (M/W, T/Thurs classes)
- Update from Space Committee about MH move - recommendations sent to Executive Cabinet for approval.
- Enrollment numbers for Fall: First time Freshmen up 20%, Transfers up 60%, overall enrollment down 1.2% which is still a win because we projected a 5% decline.
- Staffing in Financial Aid office: just hired someone for Scholarships, Looking for another staff member, and will do national search for Director.

- Randall Langston: New Org Chart for OES, contract workers answering student questions about FA from 4-7pm, we learned that we need to staff up in the Bursar for busier times of the year. This year Ken, Karen, and Tiffany worked hours to help and answer questions. Contract workers being paid by salary savings.
- Looking to the Spring: helping students get registered, Debby going to SGA to help with workday. We have announcements going out by Canvas

Around campus: School of the Arts has released their schedule of events – music, plays, art walks <https://www.uno.edu/sota-performances>

Corresponding Secretary: Vacant.

Treasurer: Vacant.

Committee Reports:

Concerns & Opportunities: We received one question in our concerns & opportunity inbox about Voya payments; however, Maggie is the one with the answer and she could not be here today. We will have this answer next meeting! Apologies for the delay

Old Business:

Budget: Mamie Sterkx Gasperecz, Vice President for Finance and Administration

- Preliminary budget submitted
- Due Aug 1, then it's reviewed by the UL System, then final approval by BoR in about a week
- Our budget has to balance exactly – can't have a deficit or a surplus

Reminders:

- HRM Benefits fair Innsbruck Suite, Oct 8, 10-2pm.
- Mandatory Employee Training due Nov 15 @ noon.

Participants:

<p> Coleen Maidlow hilangela webb Connie sganuche Tiffany Rousse iocalix Melinda Dunn David Richardson Brian McDonald Francie Davenport (Alumni Affairs) Mark Pyle Kelsi Magee bbarras Karen Paisant Teresa Jacobson Jenise Ayana Morales Tiffany Soublet Claire Mc Gowan Eric BALUKONIS Michael Lott Lisa Grass Lisa Earles Darrell Kruger Rami Popich Rachel Alexander Colby Stoever Donald Harbison Tyiesha Hives PPMO Project Coordinator Gretchen Smith Elaine Ramond Dennis Baker Essence Warren </p>	<p> Shana Owens rkern Linda Houston Savannah Bilbo Nicole LeMaire Edgar Avila Jr. Mary Lawless Debby Charrier Mariana Z. Martinez Lynette dswanson scalamar Julienne Ricchiazzi Cliff Golz Michael Esordi Anna Osgood jkrull@uno.edu Joshua Burns COBA Aneta Komendarczyk/UNO Samuel Gladden/University of New Orleans Mamie Sterkx Gasperez billy Amy Roberts - Caitlyn LeFrere Cheryl Forschler Faisal Mallum Samartha Mudigere Girish Kathy E. Johnson Chancie Bouton LeeAnne Sipe Jody JaLisa Lee Kate Faubert Nancy Biggio </p>	<p> Amber Johnson Karen Bradley sesmail1 kbell1 Melanie Champagne Jaime McSkimming Karen Thomas Leon David Muscarello Sean Edgley nmukherj tabacino Joannett Trotter Abby Blanchard Janet Levkowicz Randall Langston David Teagle Kassie Ursula Matthew Graham De'Jeune' Green Silvia Hayes Jennifer Grant Enjilee Bailey Amelie Wax DAWN LOVE Glenda Druilhet mmdaunoy L. Flowers lamsberr Brittany Garrison Natalie Scott-Advisor Trey Reed Kristin Ginsberg Sheila Judge Ame Flynn </p>
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Chat

- 10:04:00 From Samuel Gladden/University of New Orleans to Everyone:
Doers the Privateer Pantry also serve faculty and staff who are in need?
- 10:04:59 From Mariana Z. Martinez to Everyone:
Replying to "Doers the Privateer ..."
At this time, we are only filling orders for currently enrolled students.
- 10:12:03 From Nancy Biggio to Everyone:
FYI-Grad School reduced by \$73K
- 10:20:52 From dswanson to Everyone:
We have a few people who need Adobe and haven't been able to receive it for months. Is this part of the software reduction? The licenses are paid by grants.
- 10:21:26 From dswanson to Everyone:
Thank you.
- 10:21:56 From *** to Coleen Maidlow(Direct Message):
I don't know if this is budget related but what's being done about the lack of staff in the bursar and financial aid
- 10:23:57 From De'Jeune' Green to Everyone:
Are any of the contact positions in financial aid student facing? This a problem students come to us with often. They have problems contacting people.
- 10:24:32 From De'Jeune' Green to Everyone:
Contract*
- 10:28:03 From Lisa Grass to Everyone:
How is the cost of the contract workers affecting our budget cuts?
- 10:29:08 From Lisa Grass to Everyone:
Do we expect (or know) how many more positions will be deleted by December? And how many people are expected to lose their job?
- 10:33:07 From Joshua Burns COBA to Everyone:
Its the comment sections on social media
- 10:33:28 From Nancy Biggio to Everyone:
Some FAQs would be really helpful--like timelines for financial aid packaging, disbursement, etc.
- 10:33:54 From dswanson to Everyone:
Replying to " Its the comment sec..."
Especially Reddit. Someone from Financial aid was doing a good job there a while back, but if someone got back on that would be useful.
- 10:34:35 From Lisa Grass to Everyone:
Problem is students do not want to hear how we've helped others. They want their issues resolved.
- 10:37:23 From LeeAnne Sipe to Everyone:
We have those campaigns built in the Chatbot already! :)
- 10:38:16 From David Teagle to Everyone:
Replying to "We have those campai..."

Chatbot is amazing, the students love it
- 10:40:34 From Colby Stoever to Everyone:
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- 10:42:50 From Michael Lott to Everyone:
What time for Town Hall?
- 10:43:26 From Jody to Everyone:
Replying to "What time for Town H..."
12:30-1:30
- 10:44:50 From Coleen Maidlow to Everyone:
<http://uno.edu/sota-performance>
- 10:49:30 From hilangela webb to Everyone:
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