USC Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2020
Garey Hall – Special Events Room

In Attendance:
Catherine Ross
Shawn Proctor
Ashley Omlor
Lisa Harris
Lauren Kassel
Jennifer McKeighan (sub Jennifer Jeffery)
Andrew Pellens
Ashley Leamon
Elizabeth Remelius
Ryan Gillon
Lorriane Holt
Tim Bair
Rachel N’Diaye
Brian McCabe
Alissa Schweitzer
Sarah Becker
Nathaniel Harrison
Kelly Amber

Excused:
Maria Coan

Revisit feedback on Staff Christmas Gifts
• Send Tim any other suggestions from your areas

Executive Committee Updates:
• Award Committee updates/recap
• Construction updates
• Parking feedback

Committee Updates
• Communication: Ashley Leamon, Chair – Magnet/sticker design is done and was submitted to Catherine Ross. Ongoing maintenance of USC website is occurring. Redesign is nigh.
• Community: Sue Garvey, Chair – no updates
• Staff Development: Tim Bair, Chair - There were 12 people at our first brown bag luncheon on Utilizing University Technology. We are working with the EAP to have a workshop on Managing Stress in early April. More information will be provided as soon as we can confirm a date & time.
Staff Recognition: Alissa Schweitzer, Chair – working on fixing the link to the Villanome awards, recognized January and February birthdays

Staff Resources: Rachel N'Diaye, Chair - One suggestion email was forwarded to HR/Staff Development Committee. The suggestion was regarding having educational speakers on retirement planning

Area Updates:

- College of Engineering

2020 Ward Lecturer - Friday, February 21, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. in the Villanova Room

Dr. Douglas Munch ’69 ChE will present “When I Grow Up: A Life’s Narrative.” Dr. Munch served on the Apollo mission team, ran flight test and development for the F-14 fighter aircraft, and earned a PhD in Medicine and Biomedical Engineering from Johns Hopkins University.

We will also unveil our new Art of Engineering Exhibit on Thursday, February 20 from 3-5 p.m. in CEER.

- Charles Widger School of Law

A Black Suffragist’s Story from the Jim Crow South
2/18/2020, 4:00 PM

Historian and author Adele Logan Alexander, PhD, will discuss her new book Princess of the Hither Isles (Yale University Press, 2019) at 4 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 18, in Room 101 of the Law School. The book tells the story of Alexander’s grandmother, Adele Hunt Logan, who dedicated herself to advancing political and educational opportunities for the African American community.

Sixth Annual Fashion Law Symposium, 2/21
2/21/2020, 8:30 AM

Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law hosts the Sixth Annual Fashion Law Symposium, which will bring together lawyers and non-lawyers, focusing on the key players in the fashion industry. The symposium takes place on Friday, February 21, 2020 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Laurence E. Hirsch ’71 Classroom (Room 101) of the Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law (299 North Spring Mill Road, Villanova).

23rd Annual Public Interest Auction
2/22/2020, 6:00 PM

Comprised of both silent and live auctions, the annual PIFP Auction is a highlight of the semester for students and alumni. It features items, baskets, and experiences donated by individuals and businesses throughout Greater Philadelphia and across the country. All proceeds from the event go toward providing fellowships to current students who commit their summers to performing public service legal work. This event will take place
on Saturday, February 22 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law.

- College of Professional Studies is running several short, in-demand courses throughout the spring semester for professionals who want to advance their skills but are short on time. More information about the courses can be found here: https://www1.villanova.edu/university/professional-studies/sites/bootcamp.html

- Mission and Ministry

Post-Graduate Volunteers

As graduating students begin to make decisions about their next steps, we would love to know all of those who are committing to a post-graduate service program. We will have a commissioning during graduation weekend and we don't want anyone left out. As you hear of students sharing this exciting news, please encourage them to connect with Kate Giancatarino in Campus Ministry. Kate is also available to meet with students who are unsure of their plans to volunteer or what programs may be a fit for them.

Ash Wednesday

On Ash Wednesday, 2/26, ashes will be distributed in St. Thomas of Villanova Church at the following times: Morning Prayer, 8am; Ecumenical Service, 3pm; and Masses 12:05pm, 5:30pm, and 7pm. Please check Campus Currents the week of for any adjustments.

- Human Resources

If you did not receive a biometric screening you have until March 9th to go to your MD and have him complete a physician affidavit form. The form can be found on the NOVAfit portal and this section of the HR portal.

If you did receive a biometric screening your points will be applied to your NOVAfit account within the next 2-3 weeks.

Open Enrollment is going to be from April 20 to May 1. The Wellness Fair will be April 22. See details on our website.

- Villanova School of Business Updates

International Student Community lunch on three days of Spring Break, sponsored by various offices across campus for all International Students. Signups will be made available via Handshake. Professionals are also invited to the events, if you're free and want to chat with the students, please feel free to join us.

Tuesday, March 3rd 11:30 - 1pm

VSB, Bartley Exchange

Hosted by MCGL & the Dean's Office
Wednesday, March 4th 11:30 - 1pm
Garey Hall Top Floor
Hosted by CURF & OEA

Thursday, March 5th 11:30 - 1pm
SAC 300
Hosted by CLAS- GIS & Grad Admissions

Bartley Staff Council – within VSB we have created a staff council with representation for the various staff populations with the following mission: Create a best-in-class staff working experience and environment where people feel engaged, valued and appreciated while doing meaningful and relevant work to support their personal and professional growth as well as the mission of VSB and Villanova.

The staff council members work together on aligning VSB with the “Best Places to Work” rankings, members also comprise 3 sub committees – Professional Development, Faculty/Staff Relations, Awards and Recognition – to provide focus to these ongoing areas concerning staff in VSB.

The University Career Center, O'Donnell Center for Professional Development in VSB, Office for Undergraduate Students in the CLAS and College of Engineering are hosting 4 Wall Street Meetups throughout the Spring Semester.

Each employer will give an overview of their organization and internship program in Bartley 1011, followed by a large networking session with all representatives in the Bartley Atrium.

More information found here: https://www1.villanova.edu/villanova/business/newsevents/calendar.html

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Update:

- Center for Irish Studies Hosts Engaging Cultural Events this Spring
- Grad CLAS to host first 3MT competition at Villanova for CLAS graduate students
- Villanova Chemist Receives $579,508 Grant from NSF to Support His Research
- Marylu Hill, PhD, Receives $210,000 Grant from Teagle Foundation
- Message from Julie Studer of the Villanova Faculty-Staff Choir:
  - The Villanova Faculty-Staff Choir first wants to extend our heartfelt thanks to the University Staff Council. Without the sponsorship of the Council, our choir would not be able to thrive and grow as it has. We are delighted to extend the invitation to our Spring 2020 concerts. The concerts will be held on Sunday, February 23rd at 3:30 in St. Mary’s Chapel, and Monday, February 24th at 12:30 in the Connelly Center Cinema.
  - Concert poster is attached for sharing!

- Fitzpatrick College of Nursing
Nutrition Future Forward: Are we Ready for Out of the Box Thinking?

March 6, 2020, 9AM - 4PM

Driscoll Hall Auditorium, Villanova University

This COPE continuing education symposium takes a contemporary look at targeted health and nutrition topics that will challenge you to rethink—and refine—conventional practice while opening doors to fresh ideas. Picky eaters, craft beer use in healthy recipes, digestive wellness, culinary literacy, preventing metabolic adaptation during weight loss and the potential health and nutrition implications of cannabis use… forward-thinking, transformative topics that build upon foundational knowledge while equipping you with new skills and knowledge to best meet clientele and patient needs.

Advancing Clinical Practice Through Research Evidence

March 12, 2020 from 4 pm – 7 pm

Connelly Center, Villanova Room on the campus of Villanova University

Join Villanova Nursing faculty, staff, and alumni along with regional colleagues to for this popular annual event celebrating the power of nursing scholarship through podium and poster presentations.

Program Goal:

To share interprofessional innovations and scholarship that advances clinical practice through research or evidence review and dissemination.

**No Updates:**
Athletics, Auxiliary Services, CPS, Enrollment Management, Facilities, Falvey, Financial Affairs, Provost, Public Safety, Student Life, UNIT, Advancement, UCM

**Adjournment**

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. Location TBD.
Guest Speaker: Elizabeth Campanella, Director, Education Abroad.