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University of San Francisco Staff Council Newsletter

February 2024



Staff Council Meetings

Please join us for the next Staff Council meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 14, from 12–1 p.m. The February agenda is available on our [Staff Council website](#).

To join the **spring 2024 Staff Council meetings**, please click the button below:

[Join the Staff Council Meeting »](#)

***Note:** Registration is no longer required to join our meetings. To join the meeting, click on the button above or paste the following Zoom link into your browser:*

usfca.zoom.us/j/87396988358

Elections are Coming Up!

Nominations for the University of San Francisco Staff Council will open in March. The existing Staff Council is seeking new members who can convey ideas and suggestions that are crucial to policy changes, staff development, and campus information that will benefit the university's mission.

Representatives are expected to meet monthly via Zoom, serve on at least one subcommittee, and work closely with the Staff Council Executive Board to help make strategic decisions about the future direction of university initiatives. More information about Staff Council elections and details on the nomination process will be shared in the March newsletter.

The Faculty and Staff Dining Room has Reopened for Lunch

USF faculty, librarians, and staff can now enjoy the reopened dining room in UC 222 from 11 a.m.–2 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The price is \$12.50 for a single pass through the buffet with a hot protein (veggie option included), vegetable side, starch side, and composed salad. Thank you to the staff and faculty who advocated for reopening this service and our colleagues in Bon Appetit and facilities for making it happen!

Become a Building Marshall on Hilltop

Campus Resilience is seeking volunteers to act as building marshals on our San Francisco campuses. In this role, staff receive training to assist during fire drills and other emergency situations. The time commitment is generally less than four hours a semester.

If you are interested in learning more (with no commitment), **please sign up using this link** for one of the following in-person training sessions:

- **Session 1 on Tuesday, Feb. 13**, from 11:40 a.m. to 12:40 p.m. in McLaren 250
- **Session 2 on Thursday, Feb. 15**, from 11:40 a.m. to 12:40 p.m. in Cowell 316

Campus Resilience also offers training sessions throughout the year on first aid, CPR, self-defense, fire extinguisher use, and more! Please reach out to Greg Yee, director of campus resilience, at gbyee@usfca.edu to ask questions or schedule a session.

Recognizing Staff Accomplishments

Now that you've submitted your performance evaluation, don't forget to let the Staff Council know what you have accomplished this year! Check out our **Staff Recognition page** and use **this form** to submit information about yourself or a colleague.

Love is in the Air: Happy Valentine's Days

A message from USF's Annual Giving:

As we embrace the season of love, we're excited to share our specially made valentine with our USF community. Join us in spreading love by downloading and sharing your valentine with your USF friends! While Valentine's Day may be a single day, the support and love we have for each other persists throughout the year.

[Download Valentine »](#)

Join a Staff Council Subcommittee!

In an effort to include more voices and expand our pool of suggestions and input, the Staff Council is running a pilot to allow staff-at-large to participate in a subcommittee of their choice. For the pilot, we will be limiting each subcommittee to one staff volunteer. Volunteers are free to determine their level of participation, whether it's just attending meetings and providing feedback or taking on tasks, such as research or making connections to other USF departments/programs. Please click the below button to take a short survey to indicate your interest, and someone from the Staff Council will email you shortly.

[Subcommittee Interest Form »](#)

Contact the Staff Council

Staff members can submit comments, questions, and concerns through the [Staff Council website](#). Submissions may be anonymous. **Please submit your comments here. The council values your input!**

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