WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY
Staff Advisory Council

Staff Advisory Council Monthly Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, 11 August 2026
Miller Administration Boardroom | Virtual Meeting
2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

By Mary Ann Boles, Recorder

Members in Attendance: Mary Ann Boles, Dugan Brunker, Tawny Choi, Jason Cornfeld, Jason Francis, Marc Gangwer, Belinda Garza, Mitch Hansen, Lisa Jensen, Michael Lambert, Jennifer Madsen, Ella Mitchell (ASSET rep), Bethany Rasmussen, Jodi Shupp, Meagan Thunell, Kevin Wallace, Jim White

Excused: Larry Allen, Joan Gustafson

Guests in Attendance: Erik Ashby, Mickaela Bigler, Reggie Carlisle, Jocelin Gibson, Shanel Robinette

- **Welcome** - Kev Wallace, SAC Chair
  - Kev welcomed everyone, including guests. Everyone went around the room to introduce themselves and engaged in a fun icebreaker.

- **WSU Ticket Office** - Mickaela Bigler
  - Mickaela from the WSU Ticket Office showed us how to get the employee season ticket vouchers and then how to exchange them to the events that are available. The vouchers may be acquired from www.weberstatetickets.com. All customers must create a login to access the vouchers/tickets. There are six different type of games and one performing arts vouchers available. When you see Order Confirmation then your order is complete. Go to Manage My Account to trade your vouchers into actual tickets. You may transfer tickets to others as well. For questions about redeeming vouchers, please call 801-626-8500 for assistance.

- **President's Council** – Kev Wallace, Chair
  - No updates.

- **VP Staff Meeting Updates** – Betsy Mennell, Vice President of University Advancement
  1. **President Mallet** started last week.
  2. **VP Student Access, Success and Enrollment Management** – search complete, hiring decision soon, hopefully. Thanked Kev for serving on Search Committee.
  3. **Provost's Office Shuffle**: As we prepare for Leslie Durham to return to the Provost's Office, there have been a number of staffing shuffles.
     - Ella Mitchell has assumed the role of the provost's administrative associate.
     - Aubrey Jenkins Lord has taken a new position with University Advancement.
     - We also have new team members, Kelly Barnes and Amy Vidmar, joining the administrative associate team.
     - Brent Horn will move into a pilot position as Associate Provost for Academic Policy, Process, and Shared Governance.

  4. **Dumke College of Health Professions Dean:** Darcy Carter, longtime educator and administrator with two decades of experience at WSU, has been selected for the role and will begin July 1.

  5. **Associate General Counsel Search**: Sophia King will join the Office of Legal Counsel July 13 as an associate general counsel.

  6. **General Counsel**: We are pleased to welcome Christine Hashimoto as the university's new General Counsel, who began on April 16.

  7. **Construction**
     - **Wildcat Square**: 500-bed student housing. Construction has started (playfields just north of Hurst Center)

  8. **Events**
     - Wed. Aug. 12 Ogden-Weber Chamber Mixer, 5pm Stewart Stadium 3rd Floor
     - Mon. Aug. 17 – Back to School Breakfast and other related events
     - Fri. Aug. 28 – Block Party

- **Faculty Senate** – Jason Francis
  - The first meeting is on August 20th to go over the charges for the year for Faculty Senate. Jason looks forward to working with faculty and staff over the course of the year.

- **HR Updates** – Meagan Thunell, Associate Vice President for Human Resources
  - The compensation study has concluded. Meetings with leadership are taking place with more details forthcoming on the outcome of the study. Cindy Reinhard is resigning to go work for Ogden City. Her last day is August 20th. There is a form on the SAC website that people may use to submit inquiries regarding matters of concern.

- **Bylaws**
  - No updates.

    - Larry Allen has volunteered to chair this committee with Jay Cornfeld volunteering to serve on the committee too.

- **Communications**
    - Jay Cornfeld volunteered to serve on this committee with Mary Ann Boles.

- **Parking Services**
    - Jim White volunteered to serve on this committee.

- **Data/Retention –** Lisa Jensen
    - This committee reviews and summarizes surveys that were administered on campus given to them by HR and reported them to SAC.

- **Policy –** Belinda Garza
    - There are no new policies that were brought forward to SAC during the Summer months.

- **Recognition –** Jen Madsen
    - This committee is more outward facing to recognize staff. Wildcat Legends and Super Staff Awards. All hands-on deck for the Super Staff Awards in March of every year. The recipients are honored and humbled to receive the small appreciation gift.

- **Social/Engagement –** Jodi Shupp
    - Jodi is stepping down from SAC in December. This committee plans an event for all SAC members. Shannon Burton had the next highest votes and will take Jodi's spot in November.

- **Professional Development Committee –** Tawny Choi
    - This committee has not been meeting since last year.
    - Tawny has asked Kyle Peterson and he said "We are still waiting to hear what will become of the Digital District. It sounds like they are meeting on Thursday to discuss space plans and then there will probably be either renovation or moving of space. I was planning on revamping the group once that is decided and complete. I don't think any of the committees are actively meeting right now just because of leadership changes and vision for the digital fluency efforts on campus."

- **SAC Campus Climate and Engagement Committee**
    - This is a committee that would support staff in a way that were not supporting them currently. Michael offered that this committee may support interests in Student Access & Success. It was suggested that if the committee continues, consideration of a new name and identifying what we do could be valuable.

- **Election Committee –** Mitch Hansen
    - No updates.

- **Staff Feedback & Support –** Joan Gustafson
    - There have not been any new submissions this Summer.

- **Discussion and Additional Topics to Address (any SAC member):**
    - Tawny: When gifts are taken to Wildcat legends awardee do they get a copy of what the nominator submitted about them? No.
    - Reduction Barrier Committee – remove that committee from website
    - Alumni Association has several events coming up that everyone is invited to support them: Upcoming Events in Alumni Relations
    - Block Party – Should SAC have a booth? What if we walk around with a wagon and hand out bottled water with a SAC sticker on it to inform staff members about SAC? Jodi, Jim, and Belinda volunteered to help do this on August 28th.

- **Adjournment**
    - The meeting adjourned at 3:41 p.m.