

UC ANR Campus Update
Winter 2016

Changes to our Staff Assembly Council. We had two Staff Assembly Council members resign from the Council due to work conflicts and time commitments – our scribe and program co-chair. We were fortunate enough to elect our newest member to the Council – Karina Macias – who will serve as program co-chair. Karina is a nutrition program manager and will bring a new perspective to the Council. We will be looking for a new scribe, but in the interim our chair has volunteered to take notes and post for review.

Point of Contact for local offices. We continue to reach out to our local offices and rec centers for those who would like to be a point of contact for SA. Their role would be to extend information and opportunities from the SA Council to staff and channel ideas/suggestions from staff to SA Council to increase local awareness and engagement in SA.

SA Council Chair speaks to all County Directors. In an effort to encourage all County Directors to support SA efforts, our Council Chair provided a presentation to the Directors at their monthly meeting in Davis.

Establishing our Scholarship Program. We have begun work on establishing UC ANR's SA Scholarship program as a way to have staff, hopefully, gain interest in SA. We have gathered data from Jessica at UCD on their processes and procedures, as our accounting systems are very similar. Our goal is to be able to offer scholarships beginning January 2017.

SA Council invited to attend UC ANR's Strategic Plan meeting in January. In the summer, Vice President Glenda Humiston met with President Napolitano to review UC ANR's accomplishments and goals proposed in our 2025 Strategic Vision. President Napolitano requested that ANR's leadership complete a more detailed five-year plan by the end of October. Due to time constraints, the Senior Leadership Team created the draft and submitted the document to President Napolitano. It is now in the implementation-planning phase. Associate Vice President Wendy Powers has invited SA Council to attend the Strategic Plan meeting in January which will decide how to put into operation the strategic plan which will affect all staff.

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