

Campus Update Winter 2016

Staff Mixer

The Staff Association collaborated with Career Connection to host a staff mixer on October 19, 2016. There were over 50 staff in attendance connecting across departments and years of service at UC San Diego. The next one is planned for January 26, 2016. This was the result of a group of staff members looking to connect on a social level with fellow staff members, this can be a model for doing more through partnership.

Fall Member Meeting

Reignited quarterly member meeting that were placed on hold for the transition to an all-inclusive Staff Association we are now. It was held on October 27, 2016 during lunch, staff in attendance were updated on the IDEA Wave campaign, connected to Staff Association and Affiliate groups leadership. Dynamic conversation and ideas were shared for the 13 staff association committees as well as ideas to submit for a Principles of Community Grant currently being solicited by the office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.

Parking on Campus

With construction projects surrounding the new trolley system coming to campus, there has been repeated concerns around a parking impact for staff. With policy in place that require staff to pay for parking the frustration is growing as spaces are reducing. We are currently exploring ways of addressing staff concerns with this issue.

Website

Every month a new affiliate group is highlighted on the staff association website, creating new content every month and driving traffic to the groups that make up the association. There are plans to add highlighting individual staff members on the website in the New Year.

Celebrate the Night

The bi-annual event to celebrate the staff that work at night to support the function of UC San Diego community. This event will be held December 15, 2015, with senior leadership present to connect and thank staff. The evening is full of festivities that encourage interaction and relaxation.

Staff Appreciation Breakfast

On December 14, 2016 the 42nd Annual Staff Appreciation Breakfast will be held. The Chancellor will be joined with senior leadership thanking the staff by serving breakfast and making remarks throughout the morning. The event will host multiple seating to attempt to accommodate the interest in participating in this event. This year pre-seating was offered to units before ticket sales opened to allow the opportunity for teams to enjoy the event together.

Maintain Don't Gain

Thrive at UC San Diego is kicking off the fourth annual Maintain Don't Gain Program. Each week from November 14, 2016 to January 4, 2017, staff and faculty who register will get a weekly email to help them stay on track during the holidays. The Maintain Don't Gain Program is offered in collaboration with Kaiser Permanente and this year Health Net is providing support as well. This year, almost all UC locations are participating in the program which allows each campus to customize the length, emails and program requirements to fit the wellness contacts workload and campus culture.

Founders Day

Staff Association will table at Founder's Day Celebration on Friday, November 17, 2016. This is an opportunity to inform the community that we are here, connecting staff to resources while reminding other community members of the role of staff at this institution.

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