

Staff Council Update

Due to the continue pandemic, the Staff Council is continuing meeting via Zoom each month. Our executive group reviews this decision on a quarterly basis.

During the December 2021 meeting, the three resolutions concerning the pandemic were presented the council for a vote. The resolutions were presented by the members of our Health & Safety committee. The following resolutions did not pass the council. Resolution 28-04 asked for support of a mandate for COVID-19 vaccinations and support of wearing face covering when indoors. Resolution 28-05 asked for support of mandated randomized large-scale COVID-19 testing of faculty, staff, and students.

The Staff Council did pass Resolution 28-03 (attached), which we are asking the University Council members to also support. This resolution recommends the adoption of workplace safety measures that align with federal guidelines that further promote a safe and healthy working environment during the COVID-19 pandemic.

During our January 2022 meeting, the council voted on updating our guidelines for the UGA Staff list (also know as the Staff listserv). We sought the guidance of the Office of Legal Affairs before we changed our guidelines. The new guidelines can be found at <u>https://ugasc.uga.edu/staff-listserv/</u>. With the expanded rules, we hope to continue promote productive staff conversations across all UGA campuses.