

## **Staff Council Report**

Date: September 24, 2025

Presented by: Rebecca Mayo, Staff Council President

I'd like to express gratitude for the opportunity to serve in this role and to participate in shared governance.

The Executive Committee of the Staff Council includes

President - Rebecca Mayo, Vice-President - Jennifer Leyting, Secretary - Mary Formo, Treasurer - E. Ashley Weed, Coordinator - Wendy Holland, Parliamentarian - Narke Norton, At-Large Members - Sean Ryder, Lisa Sperling, and Chip Woods.

Additionally, the chairs of each of the 6 standing committees of the Staff Council serve on the Executive Committee.

Belonging and Community – Harper Davison, Benefits and Classification – Angie Royer, Communications – Naseem Tate, Environment and Sustainability – Laurie Norris, Health and Safety – Anna Cruz, Needs and Concerns – Enid Truong

## **Meeting Updates**

Over the summer, representatives of the Staff Council visited the Tifton, Griffin, and Gwinnett campuses. We are building relationships and communication channels with our colleagues so that we can better advocate for the needs that exist on these campuses. We are heading to the Buckhead campus in November and are anticipating a visit to the Skidaway location this Winter. These visits allow us to understand and appreciate the unique situations and successes of each of UGA's campuses. The work being conducted by the Staff Council stems from the belief that the best decisions are made when all voices are heard.

In recent meetings we have heard from USG Vice Chancellor for Leadership and Institutional Development Dr. Wendi Jenkins, GA Museum of Art, the Pet Health Center, Emergency Preparedness, the TAP office, and so many others. These speakers have enabled our membership to connect with information and learn about services offered to university employees and departments. The October 1<sup>st</sup> meeting held via Zoom and at the Tifton Campus will include a presentation by UHR on the Open Enrollment period and updated benefits packages.

As a reminder, the Staff Council meets on the first Wednesday of every month, except January and July when we meet the second Wednesday. Our meetings are open, and you are welcome to attend.

## Conclusion

This concludes the report from the UGA Staff Council. If you have any questions or would like to connect, please do not hesitate to reach out.