



STAFF CONFERENCE

Tuesday, March 15, 2022



TODAY'S AGENDA

- 1. ACKNOWLEDGE APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- 2. VPs OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS & FINANCE AND BUSINESS PRESENT BUDGET UPDATES**
- 3. DEI WORKSHOP REMINDER**
- 4. WOOL UPDATES BY DR. KIMARIE WHETSTONE, DIRECTOR OF ONLINE LEARNING**
- 5. COMMITTEE UPDATES**
- 6. Q&A**
- 7. ADJOURNMENT**



APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for the previous Staff Assembly meeting were approved during the 03/01/2022 Staff Assembly meeting.

Our S.A. Historian, Chris has worked diligently on updating the minutes repository, so recent minutes can all be found here:

<https://www.winthrop.edu/staff/minutes.aspx>

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**DR. ADRIENNE McCORMICK, PROVOST AND
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

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**JUSTIN OATES, VICE PRESIDENT FOR FINANCE AND
BUSINESS AFFAIRS & CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**



DEI Workshops

March 25 (11:00-2:00pm)

LGBTQIA Identities & Communities

Presenters: Brandon Ranallo-Benavidez, Shelley Hamill, Kinyata Brown

April 11 (4:00-5:30) & April 13 (4:00-5:30)

Ableism & Disability Justice

Presenters: Chris Keck, Shardae Nelson

SAVE THE DATE



May 13 (11:00-2:00pm)

Religion's Power

Presenters: Margaret Gillikin, Brent Woodfill, Kristin Kiblinger

*June 13 (4:00-5:30pm) & June
15 (4:00-5:30)*

Diversity Leadership

*Presenters: Mike Sickels,
Wanda Ebright, Jennifer Disney*

Register at: <https://www.winthrop.edu/thecpel/>



Winthrop Office of Online Learning Updates

Spring 2022



1. TechSmith Knowmia Transition

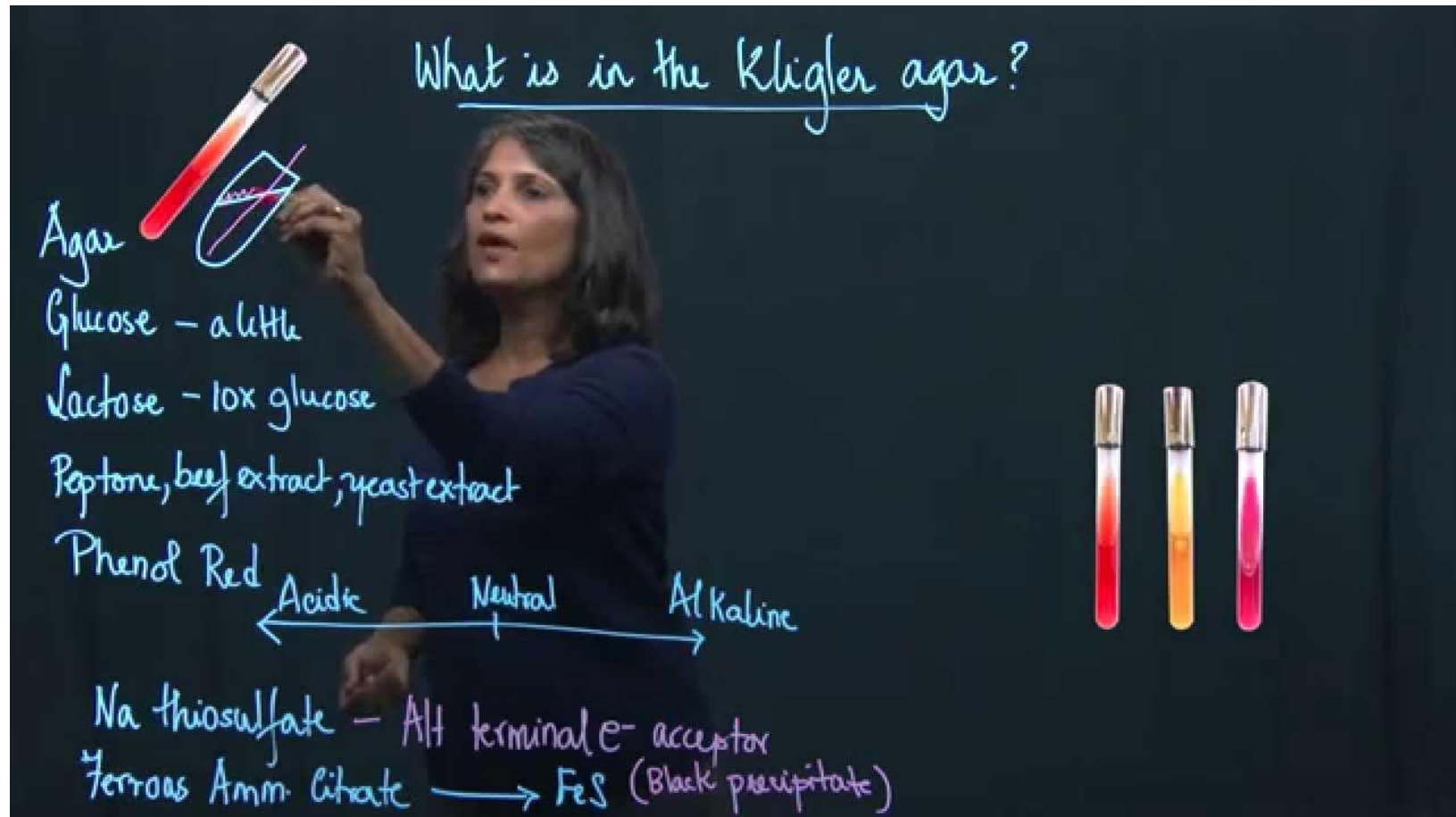
- TechSmith is phasing out the video hosting portion of its business.
- Our video hosting platform, TechSmith Knowmia, will be retired on August 31, 2022.
- TechSmith will continue to maintain a high level of service reliability, customer support, incident response time, and we will receive security patches and critical bug fixes through August 31, 2022.
- You may continue to use TechSmith in the spring and summer. The two systems will run parallel in the spring and summer and we will transition everyone by the end of the summer.

1. TechSmith Knowmia Transition

- An RFP was conducted between October 2021 and January 2022 for a new platform. Panopto was awarded the contract, which will begin in March 2022. Panopto training sessions will be offered through the Center for Professional Excellence. Panopto contains a wider range of features than TechSmith Knowmia, so we are excited about adding value to your instructional videos.
- TechSmith will migrate all of the video content on its server to Panopto, including captions and interactive elements, such as quizzes.
- Faculty and Staff will not have to migrate their own videos, but will need to relink the videos in their courses or organizations once they are in Panopto.
- Two-phase Migration Plan: March – June, June – August.

2. A New Learning Glass Video Recording Space is Being Installed in 307 Bancroft Annex

What is in the Kligler agar?



Agar

Glucose - a little

Lactose - 10x glucose


Peptone, beef extract, yeast extract

Phenol Red

← Acidic Neutral Alkaline →

Na thiosulfate - Alt terminal e⁻ acceptor

Ferrous Amm. Citrate → FeS (Black precipitate)





3. Blackboard Moving to Multifactor Authentication (MFA)

- Testing has begun to move Blackboard to the Winthrop Single Sign On (including Multi-Factor Authentication) that is already in use with Zoom, Wingspan, and Office 365, which will add security to your user account as well as allow Winthrop to be compliant with various state and federal regulations. We are working to implement Single Sign On for Blackboard in a manner that will allow for the best possible user experience. We will follow up with more details prior to implementation.



4. Preferred First Name and Personal Pronouns for Faculty, Staff and Students in Blackboard

- The preferred first name is currently passed to Blackboard from Banner and displays in Blackboard Original and Ultra courses.
- As of 11/15/2021, personal pronouns will display in Ultra courses in the following areas:
 - Assessments
 - Course Roster
 - Communication Tools (Discussions and Messages)
 - Gradebook
 - Groups
 - User profile
- Personal pronouns will display in Blackboard Original experience courses in late Spring 2022.

5. Sign up to Join the Ultra Squad!

- Our first group of faculty, staff and students were trained in and used the new Blackboard Ultra Course Experience this fall. We are grateful to these pioneers and we are now inviting the next group of interested faculty and staff to participate for Summer or Fall 2022.
- We welcome faculty and staff teaching in all modalities, including those who use Blackboard to supplement face-to-face courses and those who use Blackboard Organizations.
- If you are interested, please first obtain approval from your department before seeking to use Ultra within your program.

<https://tinyurl.com/bbultrasquad>



Questions?

Please contact the Office of Online Learning at 803-323-2212 or blackboard@winthrop.edu.



WELCOME TO NEW STAFF (FEB.)

Karen Allen, *Assistant Athletic Director for Internal Operations, Athletics*
Zane Barnes, *Men's Assistant Soccer Coach, Athletics*
Scott Morrison, *Athletic Trainer, Athletics*



Staff Member of the Month February 2022

Thanks for all you do!

Staff Member of the Month
Nominee

Recognition Committee
Staff Assembly



thanks

Reserved Parking
Spot On Campus

1 Month Free at the
West Center

1 Free Meal at
Thomson Café

Spotlight in
Staff Stuff Newsletter



Nominees | February 2022



**Suzanne
Carter**



**Victoria
McClinton**



**Karen
Medlin**



**Richard
Parrish**



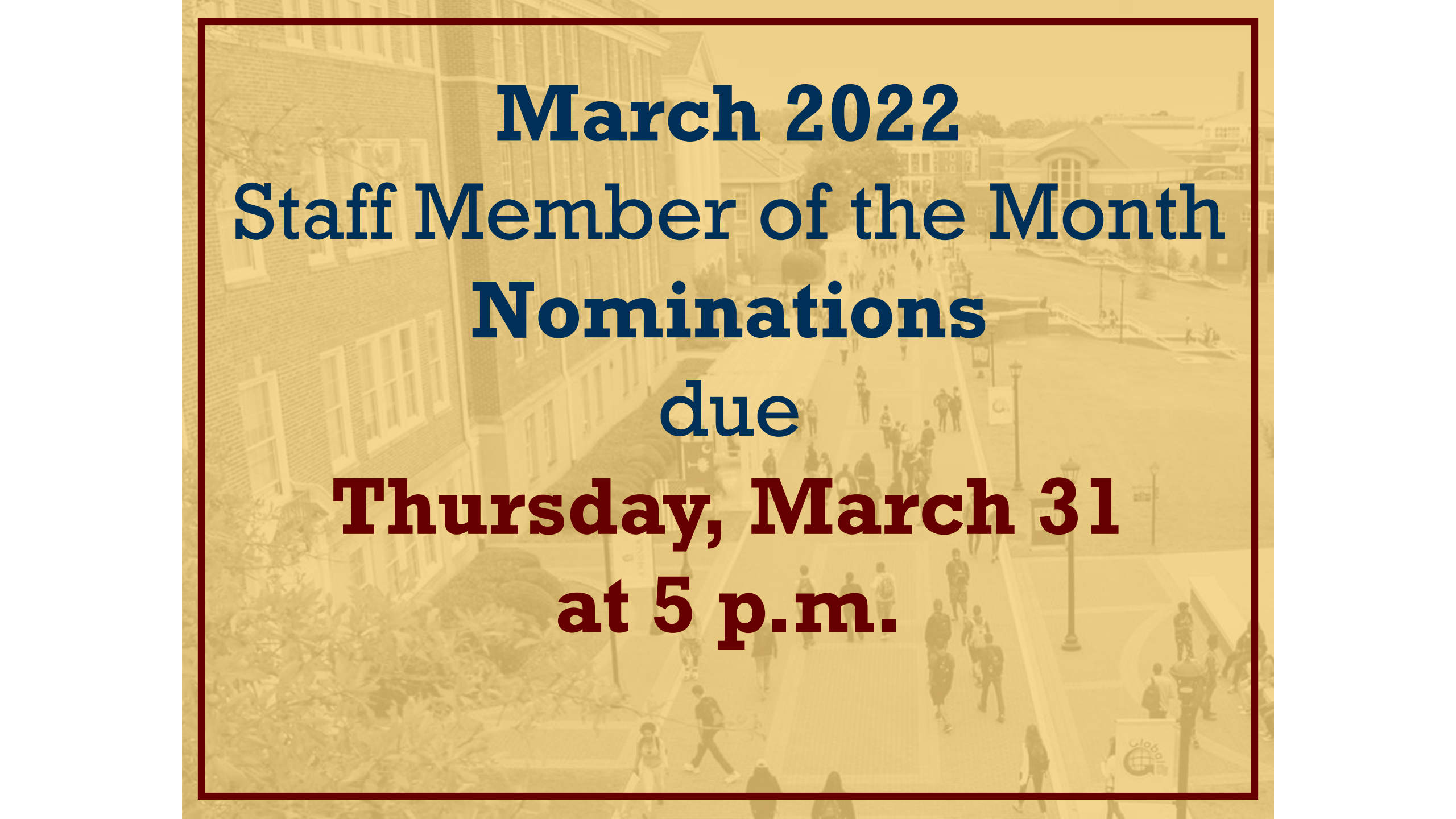
**Cora
Lumpkin**

A grayscale photograph of a large, classical-style building with a portico, surrounded by trees. In the foreground, a low stone wall is engraved with the words "WINTHROP UNIVERSITY".

Richard Parrish

Printing Services

Staff Member of the Month
February 2022



March 2022
Staff Member of the Month
Nominations
due
Thursday, March 31
at 5 p.m.



MEDIA & COMMUNICATION

The next Staff Stuff newsletter will be out the first week of April.

Staff should send milestones to cauthenk@winthrop.edu, charlesj@Winthrop.edu, or post to the Staff Conference Facebook page by March 31st to be included.



STAFF CONFERENCE'S PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE PRESENTS...

YOGA

With Chemistry Professor Maria Gelabert



MONDAY, MARCH 21, 4-5 P.M.
112 WEST CENTER

Register via www.winthrop.edu/thecpe

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Two volunteers needed to adopt a
Bags to Benches Bin.

Please contact Chris Johnson:
johnsonc@Winthrop.edu

RECYCLE BEYOND THE BAG

Recycle your household bags & wrap into Trex's Earth-friendly composite decking and railing!

FROM THE STORE

- ✓ Produce bags
- ✓ Store bags
- ✓ Ice bags

FROM YOUR PANTRY

- ✓ Ziploc® & other reclosable bags
- ✓ Cereal box liners
- ✓ Case overwrap
- ✓ Bread bags

FROM YOUR FRONT DOOR

- ✓ Newspaper sleeves
- ✓ Dry cleaning bags
- ✓ Bubble wrap
- ✓ Plastic e-commerce mailers

Plastics must be clean, dry and free of food and organic residue

RECYCLED IN AMERICA

NexTrex

trex.com/recycling 1-800-Buy-Trex



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ELECTIONS & NOMINATIONS

As a reminder, if anyone knows someone in Student Affairs or Athletics who may be interested in serving on Staff Assembly, please make the nomination by contacting Amanda Stewart at stewart@Winthrop.edu or Jessica Martin at martinj@Winthrop.edu.

Additionally, next month, Amanda and Jessica will be seeking nominations for several other seats on the assembly, and those communications will likely be in the Daily Digest.



STAFF Q & A

The online feedback form is still available, but we would like to transition back to in-person questions in the coming months.

**Until then, the form can be found here:
<https://www.winthrop.edu/staff/staff-feedback.aspx>**





STAFF COMMITTEES

- Staff Recognition
 - Michael Szeman, szemanm@Winthrop.edu
 - Kara Traverse, traversek@Winthrop.edu
- Media & Communications
 - Kara Cauthen, cauthenk@Winthrop.edu
 - Jayme Charles, charlesj@Winthrop.edu
- Professional Development
 - Nicole Chisari, chisarin@Winthrop.edu
- Campus & Community Involvement
 - Chris Johnson, johnsonc@Winthrop.edu
 - Judy Longshaw, longshawj@Winthrop.edu
- Elections & Nominations
 - Amanda Stewart, stewartaj@Winthrop.edu
- Staff Feedback
 - Leah Simmonds, simmondsl@Winthrop.edu



Questions? Comments? Announcements?

Have a question that we should address in our next Staff Conference meeting? Submit it in our [online form](#) or email it to staffassembly@winthrop.edu.



Next Staff Conference

Tuesday, April 19, 2022



Staff Conference