



STAFF CONFERENCE

Friday, April 21, 2023
Owens G02



The mission of the Staff Assembly is to provide a forum for communication that enhances the work environment and values the ideas of all staff. We are committed to representing the interests and concerns of staff to the president, administration, and other members of the university. We are dedicated to promoting staff involvement on campus and in the community; providing opportunities that enrich staff experiences; and encouraging a positive campus climate of support and respect among peers.



AGENDA

- 1. WELCOME**
- 2. BRG/STRATEGIC PLANNING PRESENTATION**
- 3. OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES**
- 4. COMMITTEE UPDATES**
- 5. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 6. DISCOVER THE GOOD STUFF**
- 7. ADJOURNMENT**



STRATEGIC PLAN




OERs

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Open Educational Resources (OERs) & Winthrop

- From 2020-21 the Consumer Price Index rose 65.5%.
Textbooks rose 150%!
- Studies indicate
 - Over 60% of students don't purchase the text
 - The cost of books impacts their class selection
 - The cost of books impacts their field of study
 - The cost of books disproportionately affects Pell-eligible and first-generation students



OERs are teaching, learning and research materials that have a license that permits no-cost access, use, and adaptation by others.

Students have access to the textbook on the first day of class.

- ✓ SUCCESS – students are more likely to succeed when they have the text.
- ✓ EQUITABLE – ALL students have access to the text from day one.
- ✓ MENTAL HEALTH – Access to the text reduces the stress of trying to “make do” without purchasing it.

A campus-wide initiative. If your office works with faculty or students, you can be a part of this.

- ✓ Encourage students to explore OERs
- ✓ Encourage faculty to consider adopting OERs
- ✓ Encourage administrators to support OERs
- ✓ Join the Community of Practice



COMMITTEE UPDATES



STAFF FEEDBACK



Our final Staff Conference meeting on 5/11/23 will address several HR related feedback questions and any others that have not been previously addressed as needed.



STAFF RECOGNITION COMMITTEE

Welcome to the New Staff!

Jennifer Alayon – Administrative Specialist, college of education

Charles Archuleta – Ticketing and Events Operations manager, athletics

Amy Bailey – Assistant to VP, office of the president

Steven Balcaitis – HVAC-R Worker, facilities management

Anthony Dorman – Financial Analyst, college of arts & sciences

LaPorcha Ellick – Assistant Director for Frat/Sor Affairs, dean of student's office

Erin Fleming – Financial Aid Counselor, office of financial aid

Sam Greenslade – Assistant Volleyball Coach, athletics

Sloan Lincks – Net SERVE Mentoring & Induction Specialist, college of education

Ryan Morrison – WTC Program Coordinator, college of education

Sophia Rahim – Athletic Trainer, athletics

Scott Reid – Special Projects Technician, computing & information technology

Rachel Stevens – Program Assistant, office of financial aid

Staff Member of the Month March & April 2023

Thanks for all you do!

Staff Member of the Month
Nominee

Recognition Committee Staff Assembly





Nominees

March & April 2023

Kara Cauthen – University Communications and Marketing

Martha Ocampo Chaguendo – Facilities Management

Brian Good – Facilities Management

Wanda McCullough – Facilities Management

Kathie Park – College of Education

Kelly Scott – Institutional Effectiveness

Michelle Wolf – University College



Brian Good

Facilities Management



Staff Member of the Month
March 2023



Staff Member of the Month
April 2023

TO BE ANNOUNCED

Staff Stuff Newsletter & Staff Conference Website



2022-2023 Staff Member of the Year

TO BE ANNOUNCED

Faculty, Staff, and Retirees Awards Ceremony

Tuesday, April 25, 2023



May 2023 Staff Member of the Month

nominations due

Sunday, April 30th

at 5:00 pm

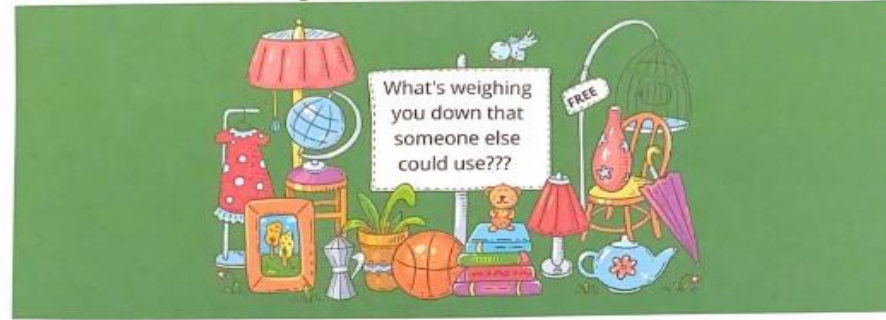


www.winthrop.edu/staff/staff-awards.aspx



COMMUNITY & CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

Get Ready for WUCycle 2023!



DECLUTTER YOUR LIFE! GET FREE STUFF!

Friday, April 21:

12:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Visit the Withers Gym (also known as the S.A.C., corner of Eden Terrace & Charlotte Ave.) to “shop” for any items you may need.

If you have gently used household goods that you would like to drop off, you may do that at any time during the day.

There is NO requirement to bring something in order to take something.

YES—IT’S ALL FREE. TAKE WHAT YOU NEED.

All community members are welcome to participate. Leftover items will be packed up at 5:00p.m. and donated to Goodwill Industries.



Tuesday, April 25th is Wear Green for Mental Health Awareness & send your pics to Kelly Scott at scottks@winthrop.edu. There will also be green ribbons with a info scan code around campus through May 6th





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- Annual Reports
- Committees
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Ombuds

Staff Feedback

Welcome to Staff Conference at Winthrop University! ALL STAFF ARE MEMBERS!

The first Staff Conference of the 2022-23 academic year will be
Friday, August 26, 2:30-3:30 p.m. - Owens G02

PowerPoint presentations from meetings will be posted to this site after the in-person meetir

Check the [Calendar](#) for more events & information.

Check out the most recent [Staff Staff newsletter](#).





**SUBMIT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
TOPIC IDEAS BY MAY 5TH TO
staffassembly@winthrop.edu**



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Shout out to Hunter Huggins from Grad School and Amanda Stewart from Advancement for stopping to help a co-worker who tripped on the stairs in Tillman and spilled her coffee. They helped clean up the spill and made sure no one was hurt.



QUESTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS



**FACULTY/STAFF/RETIREES
AWARDS CEREMONY
TUESDAY, APRIL 25TH 9:30 A.M.
IN MCBRYDE**



**LAST STAFF CONFERENCE FOR
THE SEMESTER
5/11/23 (THURS)
2 P.M. OWENS G02**



**SAVE THE DATE
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
CONFERENCE**

**JULY 27TH & 28TH
more info to come...**

