

Staff Assembly Ursinus College

Spring 2019
February 20, 2019

Future Staff Assembly Meetings

March 6, 2019 at 10 am
June 12, 2019 at 10 am
Refreshments at 9:30 am
Location:
Gold Alcove, Wismer

Reminder emails will be sent
prior to the event.

Bear In Mind

Please send us your topic of
interest, com-
ment, concern, or
suggestion. All
submissions can
be given anonymously unless
you choose to provide your
name. You can complete the
Bear In Mind form on the
Staff Assembly website, or
email your comment to:
bearinmind@ursinus.edu

Open Forum at Staff Assembly Meetings

Please remember that at the
end of each Staff Assembly
Meeting, there will be 15
minutes for anyone to make
comments, suggestions or
voice any concerns. Let's use
this time for some inspiring
conversation.

The Grizzly Details



Celebrating its
15th anniversary!

Win up to \$100 for
your edible creations!

**Edible Books
Festival
April 5, 2019
Myrin Library**

Submit your entries before 11 a.m., then vote for your favorites and
participate in fun games and raffles during your lunch break.
Winners announced at 1:15 p.m.
More info at <http://digitalcommons.ursinus.edu/ebf/>

UTalk Event



The Professional Development Committee is solicit-
ing speakers to give 5 minute presentations on topics
they are passionate about at our next UTalk event.

Please contact Christine Iannicelli
(ciannicelli@ursinus.edu) if you are interested and
for more details.

Staff Assembly Campus Talks
Every other Friday from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.
in the Faculty/Staff Dining Room

Engage in informal discussions with faculty and staff about topics related to communication and working together.

February 22 – How to Unplug

Facilitators: Kristin Maag & James Tiggett

Facilitators will discuss ideas on how to get the most out of stepping away from technology use from time to time, tools and techniques to assist, and the benefits that follow.

March 8: Peer Mentoring

Facilitators: Heather Lobban-Viravong and Christine Iannicelli

What are the benefits of having a mentor? What are the benefits of mentoring others? Who have your mentors been? What are the opportunities available to faculty and staff to find peer mentors both at and outside Ursinus?

March 22: Project Management

Facilitator: Greg Skinner

What is project management? How do you know if you're a project manager? How do you successfully manage a team and a project from formation to completion?

April 19: Universal Design

Facilitators: Shammah Bermudez and Christine Iannicelli

What is universal design and why is it important? How can you use universal design principles in everything you do to champion inclusivity and accessibility?

May 3: Communication Skills

Facilitators: Members of the Spring 2019 Staff Assembly Learning Circles

Facilitators will lead discussion on how to communicate effectively and share insights they learned from reading the books *Conversations that Get Results and Inspire Collaboration* and *The Assertiveness Workbook*

Seeking Diversity Committee Representative

We look to identify Staff that are interested in being an integral voice in the continual improvement of inclusiveness and diversity within our college community. We seek out others who are passionate about the importance of diversity and inclusion. People who are concerned with the perspectives and experiences of all members and constituents of Ursinus College. Consider sending an email to the Staff Assembly leadership for volunteers or nominees who wish to facilitate change. The Diversity Committee is a college committee. Staff Assembly is charged with the responsibility of providing an elected representative to this group.

Benefits/Highlights

- Create an atmosphere of sensitivity and inclusion.
- Cultivate an attitude of respect and dignity in the workplace.
- Continue to evaluate the performance and results achieved.
- Develop new paths of engagement concerning all facets of diversity at Ursinus.
- Reward and recognize diversity successes and achievements.

How often we meet: Once every 2 weeks. Subject to change based on crises or emergency.

Duties: Usually advisory and discussion based conversation, development of policies and guidelines, coordination with other campus groups or members, and Reporting/Liason to Staff Assembly.

Term: 3 years, staggered, with one member elected each year.

Diversity Committee Webpage: <https://www.ursinus.edu/offices/diversity-committee/>