

A big thank you to our Human Resources team for coordinating another great Employee Appreciation Event. The event was held in downtown Lincoln on Saturday, April 6. Image courtesy of Human Resources.

Doane University Staff Council Newsletter

Staff Council

April/May 2024

### Thank you for voting for your 2024-25 new Staff Council representatives and congratulations to the election winners!

**Updates** 

Group 1: Chris Brady
Group 2: Emily Hand

Group 3: Josh Johnson

Group 4: Ted Jedlicka & Melissa Morris Wichman

Group 5: Ian McKeithen

At Large: Cat Archie-Johnson

Newly elected members will start in August 2024, but will be able to join meetings in a non-voting capacity this month. As a reminder, our group numbers have changed. Here is

the new way groups are split:

Group 1: Division of Advancement, Division of Enrollment Services

Group 2: Division of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, Division of Student Affairs,

Division of Human Resources

Group 3: Division of Academic Affairs, Business Office, Division of Institutional

Effectiveness
Group 4: Division of Technology Services, Facilities, Public Safety

chair a few months early, with Stephanie Hemje moving into the chair-elect role. Mellanie

Group 5: Division of Athletics

We would also like to thank Brandon Rieschick for his service as Staff Council Chair! Brandon recently stepped down from the position and Brad Jenny will begin his term as

Did you miss our Staff Assembly on Monday, April 8? Don't worry! We recorded the assembly, and the recording is available online. Here's a short summary of what was discussed:

Gilroy will also stay on Staff Council for another cycle as an at-large representative.

 Brad Jenny, Staff Council chair and head cross country coach, gave an update on our Staff Council nominations and election process. See more about the election below!

- We heard from Brian Stutz, director of residential life and education, about Doane's CARE team.
- John Frost, vice president of enrollment management and marketing, introduced

Charles Brewer, and shared information about Charles's role as director of

• Lori Thompson, director of student retention initiatives, spoke about the financial

- recruitment scholarships.
  Todd Keck, associate director of financial aid, gave us an update on the department and the challenges we're seeing with the updated FAFSA rollout.

Watch recording

Doane University fun fact

# Facilities team and Fresh Ideas have a great solution! Over the summer, three mobile kitchen trailers will be in Lot H, south of Fuhrer Fieldhouse, with a "dining hall" located on the west end of Fuhrer. Doane employees will be able to eat in the

Good to know!

Doane hosts hundreds of elementary, middle and high school students (and adult woodcarvers) each summer on our Crete campus for camps and conferences.

There's an additional challenge with the renovations of the dining hall and kitchens in Perry Campus Center — but Doane's

Doane employees will be able to eat in the Fuhrer facilities when camps and conferences are in session, but the \$75 meal plan will be available throughout the summer.

This construction will also impact the Service Center — which will be relocated to the main level of the Learning Commons in

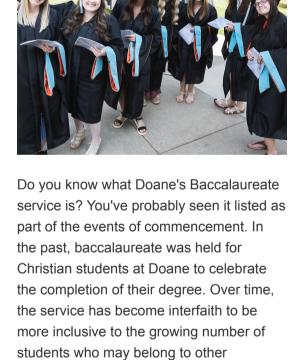
Perry

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- This construction will also impact the Service Center which will be relocated to the main level of the Learning Commons in the Communications building.

  Key dates:
   May 16 Last day for food service in

- May 28 — Food service begins at Fuhrer
- May 20-Aug. 9 — Construction in Perry
- Aug. 12 — Dining hall reopens in Perry

## To the letter to



This year, the service on Friday, May 17 will be led by Rev. Dr. Robert L. Polk '52.

denominations, practice other religions or identify as agnostic, atheist or spiritual.

# Staff Council serves as a communication conduit between staff and administration. Staff Council commits to providing a voice for staff to

formulate and endorse recommendations for action to improve the work environment, opportunities, policies and procedures for the betterment of the Doane community.

We pledge to work in partnership with Doane faculty, students, the Leadership Team and the Board of Trustees to enrich the culture of Doane staff by supporting an inclusive, inviting and equitable community.

# Miranda Henderson — Secretary/Treasurer Liz McCue — Vice Chair of Communications

Your 2023-24 Representatives

Kaleb Arterburn — Vice Chair of Staff Recognition

Shalea Wood-Akers — Vice Chair of Staff Development/Events/Services

Brad Jenny — Chair

Denise Ellis — Co-Champion Kerry Beezley — Co-Champion

Stephanie Hemje — Chair Elect

Jenei Skillett — Liaison to the Leadership Team

Grounds, Events

Marie Knapp — Group 2: Academic

**TBD** — Group 1: Maintenance, Facilities,

Institutional Research, Campus Directors,
Faculty Secretaries
Liz McCue — Group 3: Instructional

Design, Open Learning Academy, Information Technology, Service Center, Human Resources, Business Office, Student Accounts, Safety Office, Marketing

Marie Knapp — Group 2: AcademicEnrollment, Career and Leadership,Support, Advising, Library, Registrar,Diversity Equity & Inclusion, Financi

Diversity Equity & Inclusion, Financial Aid,
Veterans Affairs, Residence Life and
Education, Counseling, Nurse,
International Students, Advancement,
Alumni
Kelsee Dunn & Mellanie Gilroy — AtLarge; Non-residential programs in Lincoln,
Omaha, online and/or graduate programs

Stephanie Hemje — Group 5: Admissions,

**TBD** — Group 4: Athletics



