

**MEMORANDUM**

August 8, 2017

**TO:** American University Staff

**FROM:** Keesha Ceran, Chair, Staff Council  
Colin Gerker, Co-Chair, Staff Council  
Ruby Tavernier, Secretary, Staff Council

**SUBJECT:** Introducing Your 2017-2018 Staff Council

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Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce elections results for our 2017-2019 Staff Council! Thank you to each of you who participated in the process by nominating a colleague or accepting a nomination!

**Elections Process and Results**

This year AU staff elected 11 out of 21 nominees to serve two year terms on Staff Council.

With help from the Office of Information Technology, Staff Council launched its election system allowing staff members to vote directly from their AU Portal landing page. As a result, 367 staff members voted this year (about a 30% increase in votes from last year).

On August 1, 2017, Staff Council held their first business meeting with our new members and also voted for the 2017-2018 Executive Leadership (the results of those details can be found below).

Your 2017-2018 Staff Council are as follows:

- Keesha Ceran (OCL & Auxiliary Services)- **Chair\***
- Colin Gerker (OCL)- **Co-Chair\***
- Ruby Tavernier (Energy Management)- **Secretary\***
- Kelly Alexander (UCM)\*
- Stephanie Block (Alumni Relations)\*
- Lindsey Brown (SIS)\*\*
- Jose Cadiz (OCL)\*\*
- Akisha Carter (Finance Resource Center)\*
- Adam Christensen (OIT)\*\*
- Raheem Dawodu Jr. (OCL)\*\*
- Daniel Dehollander (OCL)\*\*
- Frederick Engram Jr. (Graduate Studies & Research)\*\*
- Nky McGinnis (Office of Development)\*\*
- Marianne Norman (SIS)\*
- Tippi Polo (WCL)\*\*
- Bill Savich (Public Safety)\*
- Liam Toohey (University Library)\*
- Maya Vizvary (OCL)\*\*
- EmilyAnn Walrath (Office of Development)
- Abby Wolfe (OCL)\*\*

\* Terms will end at the end of 2017-2018

\*\* Term completion at the end of 2018-2019

We would also like to take a moment to thank members of our Council whose terms are came to an end at the end of July:

- Andrea Carpenter (Kogod)
- Anna Castro (SPA)
- James Helms (SPA)
- Steve Kelly (OIT)

- Jennifer Baron Knowles (Kay Spiritual Life Center, OCL)
- Monica Phillips (WCL)
- Courtney Pollack (Study Abroad)
- Adrian Sanchez (Career Center)
- Michael Wargo (President's Office)
- Jaris Williams (Dean of Students, OCL)
- Cole Wrampelmeier (Office of the Vice President, OCL)

Special shoutout to Andrea Carpenter and Adrian Sanchez who served as a member of our Executive Leadership as Chairs during their terms on Staff Council. Your leadership and guidance will definitely set the trajectory for Staff Council for years to come.

### **Stay Connected**

As a reminder our meetings are the **1st** and **3rd Tuesday** of every month from 11:30am-1:00pm. Connect with us on Facebook and Twitter /AUStaffCouncil for details on meeting locations and agendas.

To learn more about Staff Council please check out our website and be on the lookout for updates through the HR Monthly Newsletter!

Sincerely your 2017-2018 Staff Council Executive Leadership Team,

Keesha Ceran, Chair  
Colin Gerker, Co-Chair  
Ruby Tavernier, Secretary

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