

## **Staff Council Officer's Report**

**November 2024**

### **SC LEADERSHIP WITH SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT**

On October 30, 2024, Monika, Jen and Alan met with Johnathan D'Amore, Special Assistant to the President. Items discussed included:

- No updates on an Administrative Closure for Monday, 12/23, suggested to continue to pursue issue with HR
- The CIO search has not closed and is still in progress. The market is very tight for these types of positions
- No immediate plans to replace Joel Seligman, Chief Communication & Marketing Officer (Strat Comm). Alessandro Bertoni will serve in an interim role. Given Strat Comms short existence, this will offer a great opportunity to examine the mission and how the unit will move forward.
- WiFi issues on campus in many places. The Interim CIO will be sending a message out shortly regarding the ongoing issues. ETS is working with vendors and looking to invest in upgrades
- Other business was discussed providing support for recently displaced students due to fire. UVM and DOSA support are in place. Students are getting what they need

### **SC LEADERSHIP WITH HUMAN RESOURCES**

The November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting was canceled

### **SC LEADERSHIP WITH STRATEGIC COMMUNICATION LEADERHSIP**

On November 14, 2024, Monika and Alan met with Alessandro Bertoni, Interim Chief Communications & Marketing Officer and Adam White, Director of University Communications. Items discussed included:

- Drupal 10 conversion is going well. All academic units are almost done. There has been an acceleration recently in submissions as the deadline approaches. Some additional people (students) have been held over or added to push through to the end.
- A new news tool will be launched in early 2025 which will include greater search capabilities. Training to occur
- Communications on proposed commencement changes still in progress since nothing is final. The focus may be on how these changes are better moving forward.

- Monika raised the “Landing Page” idea again that would push important daily information to a person’s desktop first before logging in. Strat Comm will investigate further.

### **Upcoming Leadership Meetings**

- SC Leadership with Special Assistant to the President, Jonathan D’Amore, 11/20/24
- SC Leadership with HR, 12/10/24
- SC Leadership with Strategic Communications Leadership, 12/05/24
- SC Leadership with Interim UVM President Prelock, 12/12/24