

Staff Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
April 1, 2026
CC206

In attendance: Sufana Chowdhury, Kelly Wright, Linda Lees, Lora Barkley, Ebony Benge, Claudia Peters, Carolyn Hogg

Meeting Notes

Staffing Update

- Michelle Thompson is no longer working for Allegheny.
 - Budget paperwork will be transferred from her.
 - Linda Lees will handle treasury duties through June 30.
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Shindig Discussion

- **Date:** June 18 (pending AAC agreement).
 - Ron will not be in attendance.
 - Invitations will include:
 - Parkhurst
 - St. Moritz
 - Students on campus
 - A **“Save the Date / RSVP”** invitation will be sent to estimate attendance.
 - **Food Options Being Considered:**
 - Nacho Mamma
 - Kona Ice
 - Confections or A Cake Lover (pricing pending)
 - **Location Plan:**
 - Primary: New area by the library (food trucks in the alley)
 - Rain location: Campus Center
 - **Activities:**
 - Chance auction selected for prizes
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SAC Discussion

- Returning members:
 - Kelly Wright (Staying 1 more year)
 - Linda Lees (Staying 1 more year)
 - Sufana Chowdhury (Staying 2 more years)

- Lora Barkley (1 more year remaining)
 - Ebony Bengé (1 more year remaining)
 - Kelly Wright and Sufana Chowdhury are revising and clarifying the SAC role responsibilities.
 - Claudia Peters will promote SAC membership during new hire orientation (Monday).
 - If membership does not increase, SAC may merge with AAC.
 - **Carolyn Hogg was nominated and accepted Membership.**
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Reminders

- **All Staff Meeting:** April 13 (last one)
 - **Gator Gathering:** April 14 (no duties assigned yet)
 - **Gator Give Day:** April 16 (online; volunteers still needed)
 - Graduation volunteer email will be sent soon (per Kelly)
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Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 6, 2026, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, CC206.

Respectfully submitted,

Lora Barkley, on behalf of
Maureen Beth Ryan
Program Coordinator
Center for Business and Economics

SAC Committees:

Finance and Faculties (administrators and staff, 4-year staggered)

Beth Ryan (2025-2029)

Sufana Chowdhury (2024-2028)

CoDE Committee - Council on Diversity and Inclusion

Lora Barkley

Student Enrichment Committee

Sufana Chowdhury

SAC Committee Roles

SAC Chair - Kelly Wright

SAC Co-Chair - Ebony Bengé

Treasurer - Linda Lees- Till June 30th

Secretary - Beth Ryan

Sub Committees

Activities - Ebony, Michele

Outreach - Beth, Lora

By-Laws - Sufana

Advancing Allegheny Committee

Kelly Wright