

Chair Notes

Jason Cronkrite (Vice Chair) and I recently met with GVSU's Senior Leadership Team (SLT) to discuss the AP Survey results and related matters. Our strong relationship with SLT ensures that they value our input when we bring forth ideas and concerns. Additionally, we held two meetings with the Employee Ombuds to review issues and concerns raised by AP staff. The feedback from these sessions aligns well with the survey results.

I encourage you to connect with your elected [AP Representative](#). Share not only concerns but also recognize GVSU's positive initiatives. The better informed the AP Committee is, the more effectively we can utilize our communication channels to enhance GVSU's workplace environment.

I am pleased to learn about the upcoming full Excel 101 training session organized by the AP Professional Development Committee. I also look forward to witnessing the recognition of the AP Awards winners. If you haven't been outside yet today, leave your office or meeting immediately and go for a walk.

AP Forum

The AP Forum is May 7th from 3-5pm. We will have break out sessions with members of GVSU's Senior Leadership Team like last year. Stay tuned for further information and start thinking up questions.

Professional Development

Mark your calendars! The second annual AP Social will be held on **Thursday, May 2 from 3-5pm** in Grand Rapids, near the Pew campus. More details to come soon!

The professional development subcommittee will be sending a survey to AP staff in April to gather more information on the types of professional development opportunities that AP staff want and to get a better sense of AP professional development goals.

Meeting minutes

Don't forget to check our [Meeting Minutes](#) to stay up to date across campus.

HR Updates



GVSU Service Awards Celebration

You're invited to share warm wishes and congratulations with [colleagues who will be receiving a Service Award](#) on March 12! Please share a favorite memory, achievement, or positive comment about your GVSU colleagues receiving Service Awards recognition. Your thoughtful words will be featured on a slide show during the ceremony and posted online after the event. [Submit your congratulations](#) by Tuesday, March 5, at noon. To support your colleagues by attending the virtual celebration, [RSVP online](#) to gain access to the Service Awards livestream on March 12.

Leadership Roundtable

March 12, 11 a.m. - noon

Join us for a discussion led by DL McKinney, Director - Milton E. Ford LGBT Resource Center, and Callie Youngman, Project Specialist - Division of Inclusion and Equity. Effective 2024, GVSU will begin collecting optional sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI) information from students, faculty and staff through the Inclusive Data Collection Project. This will enable GVSU to make informed decisions, provide culturally and socially relevant interventions, appropriately allocate resources, and further recruitment and retention efforts among historically under-represented communities. Attend to learn about myProfile and how you can utilize updates in your role. [Register via Sprout](#).

National Nutrition Month: Featured Events & Programs

National Nutrition Month, recognized in March each year, focuses on learning how to make informed food choices and developing nutritious eating habits! This March, expand your knowledge by attending GVSU's *Nutrition & Gut Health Seminar* or engaging in a Wellbeats program!

- [Nutrition & Gut Health Seminar](#): March 5, 12-1pm, DEV 121-E (Pew Campus)
- [Supportive Foods](#): 2-week Wellbeats program; Enroll anytime
- [Food & Mood](#): 2-week Wellbeats program; Enroll anytime
- [Nourish Your Everyday](#): 2-week Wellbeats program; Enroll anytime

University Development





- Looking to get more involved at GVSU but don't want to make a major time commitment? The Laker Ambassador Program may be for you! Laker Ambassadors encourage philanthropic support for GVSU by sharing opportunities to give back to the university via their personal social media channels. You may participate as much or as little as your schedule allows and there is no financial commitment. Sign up today to be an ambassador and help create community and opportunity at Grand Valley: www.gvsu.edu/giving/ambassador

Departmental-Specific Tech Trainings

If you or your department is looking for virtual training opportunities surrounding Microsoft Outlook, Bookings, Zoom, Teams, or other Microsoft 365 applications visit [Sprout](#) or contact Steph Balaskas (balaskas@gvsu.edu), IT Training Specialist for more information.

[Email Management in Outlook \(Windows\)](#)

3/12/24 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

4/18/24 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

[Outlook calendar Tips & Tricks \(Windows\)](#)

2/27/24 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

3/14/24 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[Outlook Basics for MACs](#)

3/26/24 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[Microsoft Bookings Essentials](#)

4/10/24 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

[Getting Started with Microsoft Teams](#)

4/16/24 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

4/25/24 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM