St. Olaf Staff Council
Meeting Agenda and Minutes
April 17, 2026
BC 142

Agenda:

1. Welcome Jeff Favreau
    a. Public Safety Updates and Questions
2. May All-Staff Meeting
    a. Enoch Blazis - Campaign
    b. Mike Berthelsen - FY 27 Budget
    c. Athletics - quick update at the end
3. Email from Kathryn Lohre - nominations from Staff Council - Implementation Teams for the Strategic Plan
    a. I am reaching out to extend an invitation to the Staff Council to submit nominations for individuals to serve on the three teams - vocation, innovation, and community - that will carry forward the work of implementing the strategic plan. I trust this makes sense in light of what Louis and the team leads shared at the All Staff Meeting last week, and what I mentioned at the Art & Science presentation.
    b. Here is the nomination form which includes additional information. Please note that the deadline is Friday, April 17.
4. Reading Day Cookie Volunteers
    a. We are looking for staff and faculty volunteers who would be interested in passing out cookies and fruit snacks to students in the library on Reading Day, Thursday, May 14, from 2–3 p.m. If you are interested, please contact the LITS Events team at LITSEvents@stolaf.edu.
5. Emails/Forms Submitted to Staff Council

Minutes:

Attending: Susan, Jonathan, Joey, Lily, Brittan, Liz, Claudia, Lukas
Guest: Jeff Favreau

Notes:

- Jeff Favreau
    - Introduction of Jeff
    - Inherited a well established department
    - Working to update policies and procedures
        - Needed a big upgrade to these
        - Lots of work with PLT and the team getting the college up to speed, especially when it comes to things like ICE
    - Worked with SGA - low visibility of the cruisers and that they look like police or ICE vehicles. They were able to contribute and make them distinctly St. Olaf branded.
    - Will look at parking this summer - what makes sense logically. Trial - Rand lot as a nights and weekends for all permits.
    - Working with the needs that come up and trying to make himself visible for questions as well
    - Currently in the basement of Tomson Hall but will be moving this summer to Alumni Hall
    - Currently has 1 CSO. Opened it up to higher some more.
        - Potentially some upcoming changes with how departments can use students for employment
        - Want to get as many student dispatchers as possible, first
        - Then hire more CSO's, if possible
    - How can the Staff Council help?
        - Shoot Jeff an email if there is any type of feedback or questions/issues we are hearing
        - Can we facilitate Public Safety going to each building/department to have trainings on where to go during severe weather or a dangerous person
- Went through the rest of the agenda - no notes
- Feedback Form about a "get to know you"
    - Speed dating opportunity?
    - Dinner with Six Strangers?
    - Brittan will ask her colleagues about this event
    - Liz can ask around in Enrollment to see what it was or if the person

Action Items:

- Send out a call-to-action email about joining ad-hoc committees
- Lily to add Friday Fires to This Week
- Liz to add Friday Fires to All-Staff Meeting for May
- Joey to ask Kelly about presenting the last 5 mins about athletics updates