

OHIO UNION EVENTS

Ohio Union Council Roster (X = present (X) = alternate)

First	Last	Role	Status	9/16		11/18		2/17		4/21
Michelle	Scott	CGS	Voting					X		
Gargi	Mishra	CGS	Voting							
Trina	Thomas	IPC	Voting							
Gary	Sukienek	IPC	Voting					X		
Durya	Nadeem-Khan	USG	Voting							
Sam	Feudo	USG	Voting					X		
Wan	Yu	USG	Voting					X		
Carlisle	Salapare	USG	Voting					X		
Brian	Menard	GAA	Voting					X		
		Stu. Emp.	Voting							
Laurel	Van Dromme	USAC	Voting							
Nate	Craig	Faculty	Voting							
		Faculty	Voting							
Leyla	Hawkins	Alumni	Voting					X		
Beth	Miller	At-Large	Voting							
Steve	Mousetes	At-Large	Voting					X		
Julia	Boyer	At-Large	Voting					X		
Maddy	Vesoulis	At-Large	Voting							
Krystal	Vielman	OUAB Advisor	Ex-Officio					X		
Emily	Montenegro	OUAB President	Ex-Officio					X		
Caroline	Karwisch	CSA Chair	Ex-Officio					X		
Jeff	Pelletier	Union Director	Ex-Officio					X		
Matt	Couch	Associate Dean	Ex-Officio					X		
Larry	Moore	Catering Director	Ex-Officio							
Brittany	Crall	Business Manager	Ex-Officio							
Patrick	Edwards	Secretary	Ex-Officio					X		

- 1) Welcome
 - a) Name, Organization or Department
- 2) Presentation – Rachel DeMooy, Willie J. Young Sr Office of Off-Campus and Commuter Student Engagement
 - a) Off campus students – 16-20000 students within the 43210
 - b) Commuter – 20-25,000 students outside of 43210 and 43201
 - c) Outreach – Community Ambassadors and Commuter Mentors – serve as connection between students and OSU
 - d) Key Services include housing search, Roommate/ Sublet search, Safety Devices, Commuter Kitchen/ Lockers, Lounge Access, Mentoring Program

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- e) Housing search – work with ~150 property owners
- f) ~15,000 safety devices distributed since August
- g) 600 student request for lockers and commuter kitchen
- h) New in 2022 – started distributing personal safety alarms. Over 6000 since October
- 3) Ohio Union Activities Board Update – Emily Montenegro, President
 - a) Went entirely virtual for the start of the semester
 - i) All meetings
 - ii) Grab and go craft nights
 - iii) Flicks for free
 - iv) Cooking workshop
 - v) Winter wonderland – still kept some aspects outside
 - vi) Natural hair experience coming up this weekend
 - vii) Mathew Cherry
 - viii) Trivia
 - b) Upcoming Events O
 - i) Once upon a ball
 - ii) LOLpalooza
 - iii) Back to in person Flicks for Free
 - c) Grad/ Prof will continue to be virtual for the remainder of the semester
 - i) Getting about 60-70 people per experience
 - ii) Using Grad/ Prof events to support regional campus
 - d) Staff just came back from NACA – able to bring 14 students to the conference
 - e) New exec board was just elected
- 4) Director Updates
 - a) Jeff Pelletier, Director, Ohio Union Operations & Events
 - i) Month Metrics

January 2022	January 2020	Historical Averages	
53.62%	54.91%	53.97%	Student Organizations
45.57%	42.89%	40.62%	University Departments
.79%	2.19%	5.49%	External Users
1255	2145	1691	Total Bookings
280	418	272	Unique Student Organizations
5545	10216	7476	daily traffic average

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- ii) Notable Events
 - (1) Slow start to January
 - (2) Multiple career day events
 - (3) Multiple cultural programs (Raise the Kuffiyeh, Korean Culture Show, African Night, Arab Night, Vietnamese Culture Show)
- iii) Upcoming Events
 - (1) African American Heritage Festival
 - (2) UAFYE Buckeye Bound events
 - (3) Board to Death Spring Megagame
 - (4) RUOK day
- iv) Completed Projects
 - (1) Wood floor screening/board replacement - complete
 - (2) Dining Services Operation – Kitchen Floor Tile Replacement – complete
 - (3) DAS Network updates - complete
 - (4) Globe - Interior Window Cleaning – complete
 - (5) Senate Chamber physical update – complete
 - (6) Additional Electrical Outlets – complete
- v) In-Progress/Rescheduled projects
 - (1) Furniture updates in lounges and open study areas – on order
 - (2) Key and key core replacement project – final phase
 - (3) Sphinx and GHMR technology updates – waiting on equipment to schedule
 - (4) Senate Chamber tech update – waiting on equipment to schedule
 - (5) Dining Services Operation – Kitchen Ceiling Tile Replacement – pushed to summer
 - (6) Instructional Kitchen – summer 2022
- vi) General Updates
 - (1) Program review
- b) Matt Couch, Associate Dean of Students, Sr. Director of Student Activities & Student Life Orientation
 - i) General Updates
 - (1) Our staff and students continue to mourn the unexpected loss of Connor Jones, our Buck-I-SERV Coordinator, who passed away just prior to the start of the spring semester.
 - (2) Since we met last, we have added a new team member – Cassie Smith, our new Coordinator for the KBK Center. Cassie is a Buckeye alumna who earned her master’s from Youngstown State.
 - (3) We are in the process of hiring for two open OUAB advisor positions.
 - (4) Student Activities has also been engaging in a strategic planning process that will guide our priorities for the next two years.

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- ii) Campus Events
 - (1) The first month of the spring semester was obviously spent observing some additional safety protocols, where we moved events planned for in-person to a virtual format. OUAB held almost all of its January events virtually, and all other Student Activities programs were made virtual.
 - (2) Guidance from the university has recently relaxed these protocols, so we have begun to resume more in-person events.
- iii) Student Organizations
 - (1) At the end of autumn semester, we had 1,406 Active student organizations, which is close to pre-pandemic levels of engagement. We are very encouraged to see this bounce-back in our student org community.
 - (2) Our Spring Student Involvement Fair was held virtually on January 20. In spite of the fairly last-minute change, we had 416 booths (compared to 346 last January), 3,100 attendees (our second highest attendance ever), and 6,100 booth visits (up from 5,800 last year).
 - (3) The spring registration window is open now through April 15. Required trainings are still being offered virtually via Zoom for both safety and convenience.
 - (4) In honor of Kindness Day, our student org team delivered cookies to all student orgs who had meetings in the Ohio Union today. We also provided cookies in the KBK Center for any visitor to enjoy.
- iv) Service
 - (1) Safety concerns related to the Omicron variant forced us to cancel our winter and spring Buck-I-SERV trips.
 - (2) Buck-I-SERV summer trip applications were due last weekend, though we will still accept applications for the waitlist. We are offering 10 domestic trips. We are very excited to get back to these trips after a two-year hiatus.
 - (3) Our MLK Day of Service also had to pivot to a virtual delivery, but we still had excellent participation numbers. 550 students requested our 400 service at home kits (blanket making). We also held two educational panels with 200+ attendees across both sessions. At a pre-pandemic MLK Day of Service, we would engage between 600-800 volunteers, so this virtual engagement was very comparable.
 - (4) Pay It Forward has now returned to in-person experiences with Semester of Service (weekly service engagement), Local Service Trips (Saturday projects), and are currently planning for Spring Into Service (single-day of service).

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- (5) OSU Votes is preparing for a voter registration push in March in advance of the primary elections taking place in May.
- v) Leadership
 - (1) Leadership Awards application review is happening now. We will host a virtual celebration event on Friday, April 8. We had such success with this in 2021, we proactively decided to go virtual again this year so that students, faculty, staff, family, and friends could “attend” from wherever they are.
 - (2) We will host the Senior Dinner in-person and look forward to recognizing those outstanding students, and their mentors and families, in mid-April as well.
- c) Larry Moore, Director, University Catering
- d) Brittany Crall, Business Manager
- 5) 2021-2022 Full Council Meetings (5-6pm, Zoom or Ohio Staters Traditions Room)
 - a) September 16
 - b) November 18
 - c) February 17
 - d) April 21

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