

TO: Staff Senate
FROM: Kristi Klien, Staff Senate President
DATE: February 10, 2026
SUBJECT: Staff Senate February 18, 2026 - Meeting Agenda

Welcome & Opening Prayer – Brenda Amato

Land Acknowledgement Statement

Volunteer for Next Month's Prayer

Quorum - 14 senators - 4 from each constituency.

- Alternate quorum - 18 senators/minimum of 2 from each const

Review/Motion to Accept December and January minutes and today's agenda

Guest Presentations – Dan Cosacchi, Ph.D., Vice President Mission & Ministry – Mission Priority Examen
Michael Jenkins, Ph.D. – Middle States Self-Study

Liaison Report – Patricia Tetreault, Vice President Human Resources

President's Report

- UPC – now that strategic plan is approved by BOT, discussion about implementation

Previous Business

- Graduate level tuition benefits for staff dependents – still an open item
- Constitution Amendment to Article III: Qualifications For Membership (w/Rob Farrell and Patti Tetreault)
- By-Laws Amendment to Article V: OFFICERS – consecutive terms for President, clarification required (w/Rob Farrell and Patti Tetreault)
- Spring Roundtable Planning
- My.Scranton login issues
- Switch from Duo to Microsoft Authenticator

New Business

- Staff Senate Elections
- Zero Based Budgeting
- Possible Staff Senate involvement in Staff Appreciation Party 2027

Standing Committee/Ad Hoc Committee Reports

- Communications – Denise Kuzma
- Elections and Membership –Rose Ann Jubinski
- Finance – Traci Vennie
- Social Events & Community Building – Melissa Eckenrode and Lucy Grissinger
- Staff Development-Co-Chairs – Bryn Schofield
- Staff Recognition & Excellence Awards, Sursum Corda Award nominees – Shawn Beistline and Autumn Forgione
- Assessment Ad Hoc Committee - Geri Barber, Chair

Items from the Floor

Motion to Adjourn

The University acknowledges the original inhabitants and nations of this land: the Lenape, the Munsee, the Shawnee and the Susquehannock's. May we be ever mindful of their legacy and contributions and commit ourselves to stewarding this land with care and compassion as we navigate our communities towards faith and justice.