



Staff Council General Meeting minutes for October 18, 2023  
Zoom Meeting | 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
Minutes Recorded by Arrianna O'Quin, Staff Council Secretary

**Board:** Jr Sears, Staff Council President; Adrian Bermudez, Staff Council President-Elect; Arrianna O'Quin, Staff Council Secretary; Gladis Moya, Staff Council Treasurer; Tasia Parker, Staff Council Communications Officer

**Guests:** Bernice Guillen, Bob Browand

**Call to Order:** Staff Council President, Jr Sears around 10:05 am.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:** A motion to approve the September 2023 minutes was not made due to technical difficulties.

**Welcome New Gators:** Adrian Bermudez introduces the new UHD gators/employees. See slide 4-5 below.

**Edge Grant Recipient:** Gladis Moya introduces the Edge Grant recipients for the month of October. See slide 6 below  
Recipient: **Amanda Clay**, *Assistant Director of Advising Services* MDCOB

**Staff Awards Nomination Shoutout:** JR presents a slide to acknowledge those nominated for a staff award. See slide 7 below.

**Speakers:**

Bernice Guillen: HR Events (Slide 9)

- Upcoming Boo Bash event for staff to learn about their benefits.
- Free financial advising
- Jet Dental Onsite Services in N600 Nov. 13, 2023 9am – 1pm and 2pm – 5pm
- The Rose Mammography Event Nov. 13, 2023 9am
- TDECU Lunch & Learn Nov. 14, 2023 12pm – 1pm.
- TRS Presentation “Ready to Retire” Nov. 15, 2023 2pm-3:30pm

Bob Browand: Auxiliary Services (Slide 10)

- Food quality and options are to be more competitive with outside market

Jr Sears, Staff Council President

- Upcoming Events: See slide 11 for more details.

The meeting was adjourned by Jr Sears at approximately 10:55 a.m.



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# AGENDA

- Approval of September Meeting Minutes
- New Employee Announcements
- Edge Grant Winner
- Employee Recognition
- Winner Homecoming Decorating Contest
- Bernice Guillen - HR Events
- Bob Browand - Auxiliary Services
- Upcoming Events
- Closing Comments



# **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

**Minutes distributed – any corrections?**

- **Motion to accept minutes? Second?**
- **Minutes accepted**

# WELCOME NEW GATORS!



Name	Job Title	Department
Cynthia Alcocer-Guzman	Coordinator, Records	Registrar
Alicia Holder	Administrative Assistant II	Social Sciences
Dwain Nared	Assistant Business Administrator, Financial Affairs	Academic Affairs
Brandon Shoaf	Police Officer III	Police
Paula Torres	Records Analyst	Registrar
Bianca Garcia	Assistant Business Administrator	Information Technology
Letitia Heidelberg	Academic Success Coordinator II	Humanities and Social Sciences
Tanisha Watson	Police Officer I	Police

# WELCOME NEW GATORS!



Name	Job Title	Department
Erico Figueroa Colon	Coordinator, Management Systems III	Urban Education
Susannah Cleland	Evening Reference Librarian	Library
Kirsten Johnson	Contact Center Representative	Enrollment Management
Christopher Tristan	Space Planning Analyst	Facilities Management
Michael Alexander	Multimedia Engineer I	Technology Learning Services

## October Recipient



**Amanda Clay**

# The EDGE

Educational/Development Grant for Employees  
*Sponsored by the University of Houston-Downtown Staff Council*

# CONGRATULATIONS GATORS!



Albert Holden  
Jesus Kargue  
Daniel Ko  
Christopher Latson  
Michael Rains  
Joel Calix  
LoShone Harvey  
Isaiah Hernandez  
Nereo Hoill  
John Lane  
Nicholas Martinez  
Reynol Mata  
William Robinson  
Brenda Alvarez  
Ralph Estrada  
Jamie Guzman  
Trevor Jones  
Paloma Rodriguez  
Shamair Mitchell  
Kimberly Solomon  
Brittney Preston  
Patricia Robinson  
Selena Samudio  
Stacie Spikes  
Yesenia Sanchez

Tahisha Bazille  
Tim Solis  
John Stubblefield  
Kei shay Tones  
Sharona Castello  
Jacob Fox  
Karlyli Juarez  
Vanessa Rojas  
Naomi Berger-Perez  
Timothy Coulter  
Tamera Davis  
Deborah McGinty  
Samantha Salazar  
Zoe Thomas  
Tiffany Wilson  
Efstathia "Eva" Yerende  
Corey Austin  
Dominique Dominguez  
Bruce Greer  
Rebecca Hamilton  
Norman Harris  
Bojana Ninkovic-Petkovic  
Arrianna O'Quin  
Sheila Ortega-Calvillo

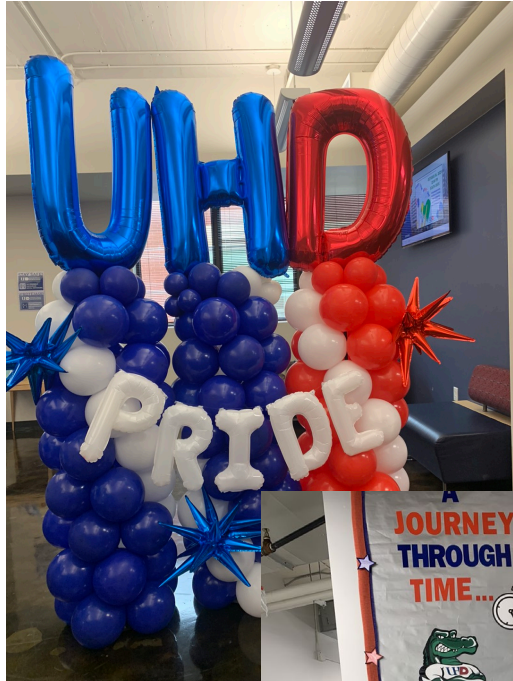
Jennifer Fuentes Allred  
Luis Guerra Nava  
Mary Henderson  
Savasia Mangual  
Brandi McInnis  
Kelsey Mosteller  
Erica Ogburn  
D'Ante Richardson-Jones  
Ideth Rivas Barahona  
Wendy Cooper  
Janetra Hurst  
Karlyli Juarez  
Kory Kilgore  
Antrechelle Dorsey  
Krystal LeBlanc  
Megan Lee  
Jesse Lopez  
Hope Pamplin  
La'Tandra Semiens  
Vanessa Turner  
Jessica Acuna  
Israel Cordova  
Hitesh Patel  
Edgar Diaz

Edwin Mendez  
Sheila Ortega-Calvillo  
Heidi Rucoba  
Adrian Bermudez  
Ruben Diaz  
Thomas Perez  
Rosa Bermudez  
Mary Henderson  
La'Ravin Ifendu  
Ikea Jernigan  
Sharona Castello  
Ashley Andrus  
Julissa Disla  
Wan-Yen "Abbie" Huang  
Cora Lockings O.  
Gabriela Martinez  
Marina Torres  
Moses Monge  
Nancy Butler  
Eric Zett  
Ting Zhang  
Eugene Bernard  
Casey Davis  
Amanda Jones  
Ruby LaCour-Tyler



# HomeComing 2023 Office Decorating Contest

## Winner



## Gator Success Institute

# HR Events



**Bernice Guillen**

**HR, Benefits & Compensation Admin**

- Free Financial Advising with your UHD Financial partners – October
- HR's Benefits Fair "Boo Bash" Event in A300 Special Events Room – October 31, 11 – 2pm
- Jet Dental "Onsite Services" in N600 "registration is open" November 13, 9am – 1pm | 2pm – 5pm
- The Rose "Mobile Mammography Screenings" November 13, 9am - 4pm
- TDECU Lunch & Learn Workshop: Credit and Debt Management in TDECU Tour Room "registration is open" November 14, 12pm – 1pm
- TRS Presentation "Ready to Retire," virtual "registration is open" November 15, 2pm – 3:30pm:



## **Auxiliary Services**

# **Chartwells**

**Bob Browand**

**Director, Auxiliary Services**

# UPCOMING EVENTS

- Open House - Oct 28 10 – 1:30pm
- BooBash - October 31
- Pumpkin Carving Contest
- Veteran's Wall – Nov 3
- Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- Ring Ceremony – Nov 4 8am - 12pm

## Did you know!

- October 22, the ark finally rested on the mountains of Ararat.
- October 25, Methuselah died at the age of 969. According to Jewish traditions, this is the longest life recorded in the Bible.

# CLOSING COMMENTS



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