Status Report- Penn Professional Staff Assembly

- The theme year for the PPSA is “Year of Engagement.” As part of this theme year, the PPSA plans to hold events which enable to staff to engage at various levels, including professional development, networking, and engagement with the University and the Philadelphia community. Events will include a skill share event, steps to success at Penn, and a discussion about diversity.

- Every January, PPSA hosts a senior leadership speaker event for staff. This year we were fortunate to have Executive Vice President Craig Carnaroli speak to staff (about 160 attendees) on January 30th. His presentation focused on change management at the University.

- In line with our theme year, we will be hosting our second diversity workshop on February 24, 2015 led by former GSE professor Ann Tiao. The workshop focuses on identity, unconscious biases and prejudices, and microaggressions. Registered participants will be asked to complete a confidential survey ahead of time and discuss the significance of the results during the workshop.

Respectfully submitted,

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