



## DDAR STAFF SUPPORT COMMITTEE UPDATE – MAY 2022

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*A message from the DDAR Staff Support Committee:*

The DDAR Staff Support Committee has been busy the first quarter of 2022 with their offerings of programs, the continued success of the Coffee Chats, and their upcoming in-person retreat.

The new year started with our annual “Kick-off with Rich Bundy” session on January 6 that afforded the DDAR Support Staff the opportunity to have a personal update from Rich about the goings-on within our division and the campaign. Participants submitted questions ahead of time, those topics were provided to Rich, and he addressed them throughout our hour session. We are all so appreciative of Rich setting aside time to meet with us. Everyone always looks forward to starting the new year with this event.

In February, the committee mailed out a New Year’s letter and Post-it pad, which included the committee’s website, to all staff support within the division. The letter was a reminder to DDAR support staff about our programming and resources the committee provides. In addition, the committee offered the program “Pronouns and Why They Matter,” hosted by Sonya Wilmoth, Director for the Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity. This program was also shared with the DDAR Diversity Initiative team and participation was encouraged.

March brought the return of the “Mini-retreat,” held this year on the Beaver Campus. Committee members travelled to Beaver on March 31 and, after an internal lunch meeting, received a tour of the campus. The following day on April 1, LRN presented via Zoom to the entire staff support of DDAR the topic “Setting Goals that Matter.” This topic was timely and extremely helpful as it aligned with the beginning of a new goal setting cycle. In addition, Ken Hall spoke to the group of in-person attendees. He continued the conversation about setting personal goals and provided valuable information to our group.

Looking ahead, the DDAR Staff Support annual in-person retreat will be held on June 9 at the Penn State Conference Center. This will be our first in-person retreat since 2019 and we couldn’t be more excited! The topic will be the “Fish! Philosophy” and if you haven’t registered, please do so now by clicking [here!](#)

Thank you, everyone, for your support. If you would like more information about the committee, please check out our website at: <https://ddarstaffsupport.psu.edu/>

