

USA General Meeting Minutes Date March 19, 2026

- **Welcome**
 - Daniela Valenzuela started the meeting at 10:01 am. She gave a reminder that the meeting will be recorded and posted online.
- **Guest Speaker:**
 - Dr. Ann Theodori, Vice President of Strategic Enrollment Management
 - SEM Structure
 - Reorganizing the admissions umbrella
 - New leadership in key areas
 - Return to best practices for undergraduate search, recruitment activities, and Events
 - Program by program review to streamline graduate student application processes and expedite decisions
 - Investment in marketing
 - Rapidly building out new communication plans in Slate
 - Earlier financial aid award communication for FTIC
 - Strategic use of need-based and institutional aid to support new and continuing student enrollment

USA Committee Reports

- **President and Vice President Update**
 - Updates from President Walker:
 - Provost Search and decision: Dr. Mohamed Abdelrahman
 - Begin search for AVP of Student Success Initiatives
 - FMC Website updates on construction are on schedule
 - Adding elevators and leaks in Atriums
 - Preparing for new legislative session
- **Fundraising Committee, Chair Marietta Dahanayake**
 - Flocking Flamingos Fundraiser: Great participation and support from faculty, staff and the flamingos. Total raised: \$680.00
 - Spring Market will not be held in March this year.
- **Program Planning Committee, Chair Mary Shelley & Ashley Connelley**
 - More details about future events are coming soon.
- **Professional Development Committee, Chair Shannon Samuelson**
 - AI Training: 4/3/2026 | 10am – 3pm | Pearland campus
- **Scholarship Committee, Chair Luis de Leon Polanco**
 - New Scholarship Committee Chair
 - Looking for new members to join the committee
- **Welcome & Outreach Committee, Chair Johnathan Davis**
 - New Employee Orientation will be on Wednesday, April 15, 2026
 - The Hawk Onboarding Team is looking for new members!

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- If interested, email davisjt@uhcl.edu for more information
- **University Events Committee, Chair Calvin Nguyen**
 - Family Weekend | Saturday, March 28 | 10am – 2:30pm | SSCB
- **Treasurer's Report, Chair Panya Milliner**
 - Current Account balances were given regarding the USA Support fund, USA fund, and the USA scholarships fund.

Campus Committee Updates

- **Campus Recreation Advisory Board: Marguertie Alix & Larisa Landry**
 - FIT FEST: March 25th | 3pm – 6pm
 - Student focused but staff can still come out and have fun.
 - Daybreak Hike: April 8th | 8am – 10am
- **Campus Bookstore Advisory Board: Jenny Perna & Theresa Rodriguez**
 - No updates
- **Dining Advisory Committee: Dolce Perez & Kimberly Duren**
 - The Dining Advisory Board's next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 30, 2026.

Hawk Spirit Award!

- Presented to Joanne Slovacek, Sr Employment Coordinator. Congratulations!

Open Forum/Announcements

- **Interested in presenting at a USA meeting? Email USA@uhcl.edu**

Meeting concluded at 10:59 am

Next USA general meeting is April 16, 2026 at 10:00am