## NESS MEETING 12/11/2024 MINUTES

## 1. Outstanding business from the previous meeting

- **Mentor-mentee update**: Helena will email the ten new NESS eligible to welcome them to the group and offer them the ability to contact an assigned mentor. Barbara Smith emailed about contacting Laila Shishineh about taking notes from ESS mentorship. *This is still outstanding*.
- **Privacy website:** Helena will find out who oversees the work on the website: <a href="https://privacy.umbc.edu">https://privacy.umbc.edu</a>. This is *still outstanding*.
- Correction from the meeting minutes about the Skylight meal plan: There is a \$6 upcharge to get on the meal plan at Skylight, not just \$6.

## 2. Reports from different committees

University Steering Committee

- The search for a new VP of Communication and Marketing will continue.
- The University will hire a campus security and safety crisis APV to report to the VP of Admin and Finance.
- Another date for the Strategic Planning Steering Committee retreat will be announced.
- The Academic calendar vote will take place today. *Edit: The Faculty Senate vote passed, requiring no classes on Wednesday before Thanksgiving, beginning in Fall 2025. This will be an Administrative leave day for staff.*
- Our comments and questions from NESS regarding the Policy on *Time, Place, and Manner* have been forwarded to Renique Kersh, VP of Student Affairs.

## 3. Ad Hoc Information

- Paul Meggett, Vice President and General Counsel, will be our guest in January 2025
- 4. Guest: Bryan Casey, Assistant Vice President and Controller
  - Revisions to Meal and Food Purchase Policy
  - Questions and Feedback
  - Proposed Meal Policy Nov 2024 (COMMENTS).pdf
  - Please add comments and questions to the above link. Bryan has access and will see comments live.