

# AP COMMITTEE

## February 2026 Newsletter

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## AP Professional Development Subcommittee Updates

### **URGENT! Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities**

#### **Generations in the Workplace**

Join Chasity Bailey-Fakhoury (Associate Dean, College of Education) & Laila McCloud (Associate Professor, Higher Education and Student Affairs Administration) as they discuss how generational identities shape the workplace.

**When:** Wednesday, February 25, 2026, 3:00PM - 4:30PM

**Where:** Zoom

[Learn More or Register Here](#)

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## University Budget Overview

Join Craig Wieschhorster, Associate Vice President for Business & Finance, to learn about Grand Valley's budgeting process.

**When:** Wednesday, March 18, 2026, 3:00PM - 4:30PM

**Where:** KC 2259 (limit 24 attendees)

[Learn More or Register Here](#)



## AP Awards Subcommittee Updates

### Save the Date! The AP Awards Ceremony

***April 21, 2026 @ 12pm-1:30pm, Valley Campus, Grand River Room, KC***

[Learn more about the Awards Ceremony on our Website](#)



## AP Executive Committee Updates

### Save the Date! AP Forum

***Tuesday, May 5, 2026 from 3:00PM-5:00PM in Allendale (Exact Location TBD)***

The AP Forum is an annual event hosted by the AP Executive Committee, in which AP staff are invited to dialogue with the Senior Leadership Team. The purpose for the Forum is to provide an opportunity for AP staff to ask questions of the SLT and facilitate conversations between AP Staff and the SLT.

[Learn more about the AP Forum on our Website](#)

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## 2025-2026 Meetings with Campus Partners

The AP Committee meets with campus partners each year to discuss questions, ideas, and goals. Please contact your AP Executive Committee Representative if you have any questions or wishes regarding communication between AP Committee and Campus Partners. [Find your representative on our website.](#)

As of this newsletter, the AP Committee has met with:

- **Dr. Robert Shorty**, Vice President for People, Equity, and Culture. [Learn more about Dr. Shorty.](#)
- **Dr. Jennifer A. Drake**, Provost and Executive Vice President for the Division of Academic Affairs. [Learn more about Dr. Drake.](#)
- **Representatives from Data & Analytics.** [Learn more about Data & Analytics at GVSU.](#)
- **Representatives from Reach Higher Together.** [Learn more about Reach Higher Together here.](#)
- **Representative from Intercollegiate Athletic Advising.**
- **Jessica Weare**, Vice President and General Counsel.
- [Learn more about The Hub: Updates & Resources Related to Federal and State Landscapes here.](#)
- **Stacie R. Behler**, Vice President and Chief Public Affairs and Communications Officer, Secretary to Board of Trustees. [Learn more about The Hub: Updates & Resources Related to Federal and State Landscapes here.](#)
- **Representative from Human Resources.** [Learn more about Human Resources here.](#)
- **Representatives from Office of the Employee Ombuds.** [Learn more about the Office of Employee Ombuds here.](#)

You can learn about our Campus Partner meetings by reviewing the [AP Executive Committee published meeting minutes.](#)

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## Contact the Executive Committee

Want to reach us? The AP Committee Website has a place where you can send comments, questions, or initiate conversations with members and representatives. The form is online and can remain anonymous, if you wish.

Submit your comments or questions by filling out this form



## Message from IT

# GV Technology Summit Returns November 3 Submit to Present & Register Today

After a successful inaugural year, the GV Technology Summit returns on November 3, 2026.

This university-wide event highlights how faculty, staff, and students are advancing technology in learning, research, and daily work across GVSU. Join the conversation—whether you're an expert, innovator, or simply curious. Join the conversation—whether you're an expert, innovator, or simply curious.

**Date:** November 3, 2026, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Location:** Kirkhof Center, Valley Campus

Have a project or tech initiative to share? [Submit a presentation proposal](#) (breakouts, roundtables, or posters). Deadline for submission is June 30, 2026.

Planning to attend? [Register to reserve your spot.](#)

[Bookmark the event webpage for ongoing speaker and schedule updates.](#)

Start planning NOW to join us at the Summit! Questions? Email us at [techsummit@gvsu.edu](mailto:techsummit@gvsu.edu).

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## Planning Audio Visual (AV) Upgrades Using Department Year-End Funds? Submit Requests by March 20 for Evaluation

We would be happy to help you review what's possible and see if your request meets your department year-end funding requirements and confirm project scheduling feasibility. Please submit your project request to **IT no later than March 20, 2026**, by filling out the [IT Project Request form](#).

Have questions or want to talk through an AV project idea? [Contact PMO](#), we are happy to help.

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## 2025-2026 AP Committee Priorities from AP Survey Data

*Based on participation in the AP Survey administered in June 2025, the AP Committee has developed a list of priorities for focused advocacy efforts. [Please review the summarized survey findings and list of AP Committee priorities for the 2025-2026 year.](#)*

Summary of 2025 AP Survey Data: AP Committee Priorities

***Browse all past AP Communication documents.***

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