INFO Assembly

Date: Friday, April 3rd, 2026 – 9:30am to 11:30 am
Location: Jimenez Hall, Room 0220

AGENDA

Preliminaries

- Call to order
- Review and approval of minutes from March
  - Revision to minutes requested & approved by assembly
- Review and approval of this agenda
  - Agenda approved without corrections

Assembly Items

- Dean's Update [Doug Oard]
  - Discussion of Dean's Transition - John Bertot to start July 1
  - 50% of INFO faculty were on Grand Challenges proposals
  - Discussion of Pre-Award processes and changes
- Maryland Day [Sarah Grun]
  - Maryland Day is Saturday, April 25, from 10am-4pm. Volunteers needed all day.
  - Overview of INFO's Maryland Day events
- Honors Program [Jesse Klein]
  - We're the only college at UMD without any honors offerings. The Dean of Undergraduate Studies has identified this as a required priority for us.
  - Overview of INFO's Honors program tracks
  - Honors programs on campus are 12 credits
    - H sections can be either part of a larger class, or a whole separate section
    - H-sections are NOT new courses; they are enriched sections of existing courses- same syllabus with added depth in certain content, assignments, projects for honors students
  - Jesse will be the inaugural Honor's director for the college; it'll be a 3-year rotation
- OACES [Renee Hill & Ron Padron]
  - Overview of OACES (Opportunity, Access, Engagement, and Support)
  - Overview of the differences between OACES and HR
  - Overview of OACES Values and Strategic Plan 2025-2030
  - Focus areas: Culture & Climate, Professional Development, Organizational Effectiveness, Community & Student-Centered Work
- ADA [Kevin Remmell]
  - Deadline is Friday, April 24, 2026
  - Goal for this Academic Year: 80% score for every course and website

Announcements

- Open Announcements

- First 2 PTK applicants coming to campus next Tuesday and Wednesday

Adjournment

iSchool Monthly Lunch: 11:30 am to 12:30 pm in Hornbake Room 0300, iSchool Commons

If you need to join the meeting via Zoom, use this link:
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