

# 2021 Fall All Hands Agenda

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View a summarized version of the [2021 Fall All Hands Meeting Chat](#).



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# Campus / Building Updates

- COVID updates (masking, social distancing, etc.)
- New UNO Chancellor Jo Li, Ph.D.
- Videoconferencing Upgrades
- Building Suites Update
- Fall Semester starts Monday, August 23

## New CEC Staff

- Jason Jones, Building Services Manager
- Hunter Ramer, Staff Assistant
- Nakita Williams, Staff Assistant
- Maria Mendes Pinto, Centennial Fellow for Community Engagement



# New Building Partner Introductions

- [Conservation Nebraska](#)
- [Learning For ALL](#)
- [Life Launch Academy](#)
- [Omaha Sister Cities Association](#)
- [Touch of Gold](#)
- [Epilepsy Foundation Nebraska](#)
- Elevate Omaha Inc.

Do you see a potential collaborator among our new building partners? If so, say hello.

View a list of new and current CEC building partners at [cec.unomaha.edu/currentpartners](http://cec.unomaha.edu/currentpartners)



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# Improving Internet for Building Partners

- Increased Security
- Connectivity
- Reduced Sign On
- Initial Configuration Process for Partners

Contact Scott Owens at [sowens@nebraska.edu](mailto:sowens@nebraska.edu) with any questions.



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# Improving Reservations Process for Building Partners

- In response to your feedback, we've simplified this process
- Small meeting rooms (2 person) and 226 Planning Room
- Day of, or next day requests.
- Requests can be made via phone, email, or in person in CEC 115 (excludes the Welcome Desk / students)
- Applies to non-food meetings only
- No proxy requests for non-CEC building partners
- Update request form bookmarks at [cec.unomaha.edu/reservationrequests](https://cec.unomaha.edu/reservationrequests)



# Catering Updates

- Food is allowed in meetings in the CEC as of August 1, but has to be consistent with UNO protocols
  - Must be provided by UNO Catering
  - Must be individual packaged or served by UNO Catering Staff
  - No potlucks or individually served buffets
  - Eating in your offices / workspaces is a.o.k!
- If you made a reservation before August 1, and want to add food to the reservation, please contact [unocecreervations@unomaha.edu](mailto:unocecreervations@unomaha.edu) to amend your reservation.
- As of August 1, meetings in the CEC with food will also require a copy of your catering confirmation
- Email catering confirmations to [unocecreervations@unomaha.edu](mailto:unocecreervations@unomaha.edu) no later than 24 hours before your meeting



# Parking Updates and Rates

## General Updates

- Anyone in the CEC with a reserved garage parking spot will need to complete the [CEC parking form](#).
- Visit [parking.unomaha.edu](http://parking.unomaha.edu) for information about sustainable/public transportation options that connect with UNO.

## Surface

- Annual \$385.00
- Month \$32.08

## West Garage

- Annual \$340.00
- Month \$28.33

## Surface/Garage

- Annual \$540.00
- Month \$45.00

## Lot Q (waitlist only)

- Annual \$660.00
- Month \$55.00

For questions about parking please contact Traci Fullerton at [tfullerton@unomaha.edu](mailto:tfullerton@unomaha.edu).



# Community Building Partners Project Reporting

- Thank you to those who have submitted new projects via the online form.
- Summary of Projects (as of August 2, 2021)
  - 33 New Projects Reported
  - 145 UNO students participated in these projects (2026 hours of service)
  - \$310,000 of estimated impact through projects submitted
- Project Reporting Reminders
  - Submissions are due annually – May 31 each year
  - Form and FAQ available at [cec.unomaha.edu/partnerportal](https://cec.unomaha.edu/partnerportal)
- Follow-up
  - For those who have not yet submitted project data, we will be reaching out to see if we can provide any support.

Questions? Contact Robyn Loos at [rloos@unomaha.edu](mailto:rloos@unomaha.edu).



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# Service Learning Academy (SLA) Updates

- New Team Members / Graduate Assistants:
  - Paula Slavin
  - Louriann Nieman
  - Nhan Le
- Priority Areas:
  - Asset-based Community Engagement
  - Avoiding Microaggressions in Service Learning and Community Engagement
  - Anti-poverty Service Learning
  - Addressing Redlining
- Strategic Investment

For more information go to [sla.unomaha.edu](http://sla.unomaha.edu).



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# Service, Leadership, and Innovation Collaborative (SLIC) Updates

- Formerly called the Office of Civic and Social Responsibility / The Collaborative. New name is Service, Leadership, and Innovation Collaborative (SLIC).
  - View the recently updated website at [serve.unomaha.edu](http://serve.unomaha.edu).
- Contact Jeffrey Southall II at [jsouthallii@unomaha.edu](mailto:jsouthallii@unomaha.edu) to inquire about Collaborative interns (UNO students) for your organization.



# Maverick Food Pantry

- We serve UNO students, faculty, and staff, college of St. Mary students, UNMC students, Avenue Scholar students
- Users receive up to two food packages per week, 10 food items per bag, additional toiletries, and personal hygiene supplies.
- Users can contact [unomavfoodpantry@unomaha.edu](mailto:unomavfoodpantry@unomaha.edu).
- Donations
  - [Monetary Donations](#) (scroll down to find the link)
  - Checks, gift cards, cash, food, toiletries and personal hygiene items accepted as donations
- Are you interested in doing an open house with us? Will focus on food insecurity and sustainability (ideal timing in September)



# Shameless Self Promotion Slideshow



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# Support and Training for the Evaluation of Programs

- Seeking community organizations to serve as service-learning partners for her graduate-level program evaluation course this fall. Contact Dr. Jeanette Harder at [jharder@unomaha.edu](mailto:jharder@unomaha.edu).
- New Staff include Courtney Caron, new graduate research assistant, Dan Kreuzberg and Lizeth Fraire join Angela Batson as fulltime program evaluators.
- Dr. Jeanette Harder spent the summer learning about how Plain communities (Amish and Plain Mennonites) respond to child abuse. Let her know if you're interested in hearing more and she may schedule an informal presentation on her experiences.



# WhyArts?

- Kim Clark-Kaczmarek is officially part of the WhyArts Team!!
- The merger between WhyArts and Arts in Motion is legally complete.
- We are looking forward to being at the Non-Profit of The Midlands CEO Roundtable in September to discuss why mergers need not be painful.



# Omaha Sister Cities Association

- Established for 56 years, OSCA is committed to promoting Omaha as a global city, developing international partnerships and networks, and sharing best practices through citizen-to-citizen connections.
- The CEC is the first office for OSCA.
- Sister Cities in Japan, Germany, Lithuania, Ireland, Mexico, China, France



# The Wellbeing Partners

- Come to the release of the BRAND-NEW mental health data stemming from the 2021 Greater Omaha Council Bluffs Community Health Needs Assessment. Learn about the current work happening to prioritize mental health across our region and take part in action planning for how we will continue to address this important issue.
- The session is free for community members.





# Juvenile Justice Institute

- JJI has renewed contract with the Nebraska Crime Commission to continue the Evidence Based Nebraska project- evaluating juvenile justice programs statewide.
- Director, Dr. Anne Hobbs was awarded a Fulbright and will be studying re-entry practices in Singapore over the next two years.
- Dr. Lindsey Wylie will be leaving JJI at the end of the week.
- JJI just completed a study on the use of juvenile detention in Hall County (Grand Island) and will be presenting those results to their community team in August.



# Interdisciplinary Behavioral Consultation Scholars

- Received a NU Collaboration Initiative grant to continue developing the Nebraska Education Policy Research Lab.
- Conducted a survey of external stakeholders for the Nebraska Department of Education to be used to develop a comprehensive long-term research agenda.



# NAMI Nebraska

- Staff: Part-time Program Coordinator job posting has been extended. Carrin has been selected as the ED of NAMI Nebraska (this has NOT been announced to the public yet).
- NAMI OnCampus is going to be a club at UNO for students.
- Two new programs have launched. NAMI Provider Training introduces information about mental health to providers through the unique perspectives of people with mental health conditions and their families. NAMI FaithNet is an exchange network of members, friends, clergy and congregations of all faith traditions who wish to create more welcoming and supportive faith communities for persons and families touched by serious mental illness.



# ONE Omaha

- Planning fall workshops about advocacy, community development, bridging the generational gap, and the Omaha City Council.
- Awarded mini-grants to nine local groups to assist in community-building projects.
- Added Community Engagement Intern Bri Full and Communications Manager Noelle Blood to the team.



# Nebraska Shakespeare

- New Artistic Director started July 12; Tyrone Beasley.
- New Executive Director started July 26; Brett Bernardini.
- Fall Tour, hip-hop Romeo and Juliet direction by Tyrone Beasley.
- Fall Tour will perform in Omaha venues as well as the school systems on Nebraska, including 75 North; stay tuned to our website in August of the various venues around Omaha.



# Learning For ALL

- August is Learning For ALL's 3rd Anniversary!
- Our fall session begins on Monday, 8/16. Registration for our fall session will close on 8/16.
- We welcome a UNO Stephenson-Harrington Interns this fall.
- Collaborating with Douglas County Corrections to teach ABE courses to inmates wanting to earn their GED.
- Exploring ways to offer Spanish classes to native English speakers in the community.
- Always seeking volunteer tutors.



# A Touch of Gold

- Primary mission to serve the maternal health needs of members of the African Diaspora.
- We provide Childbirth and Breastfeeding Education, breastfeeding counseling, and support.
- We are looking for a fiscal agent and we also welcome any fundraising advice and help with the development and implementation of focus groups, outcome evaluations, and program evaluations.



# Elevate Omaha Inc.

- Elevate Omaha's mission is to create a platform to elevate youth voice and equip young people to become leaders who advocate for themselves and their peers, provide insight about youth-driven solutions, and fund possibility to pave the way to a better future.
- A youth-driven organization that seeks to shift decision making and control of resources to young people.
- The four pillars of Elevate Omaha Inc. include Advocacy, Grantmaking, Research (utilizing the Youth-led Participatory Action Research model), and Technical Assistance for other organizations wanting to have more of a youth lens in their work.





# Metro Omaha Education Consortium (MOEC)

- Focus Areas for 2020-2021:
  - Secondary Mathematics Success; Freshman Success; Early Literacy Improvement; Data Collection and Review; FAFSA Completion; Capacity Building in Collective Impact; Support for Remote Education; Leadership Development for Educational Leaders.
- RMtR (Raise Me to Read) Focus Areas for 2020-2021-2022:
  - Omaha Urban Thinkscapes – collaboration with COEHHS & Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce, earning Strategic Initiative Grant, developing local partnerships, planning to break ground Spring 2022.



# MOEC Continued

- Attendance Awareness Campaign
  - Collaboration with the School Based Attendance Coalition (40+ schools & entities) in a fall campaign with designs from Maverick PR. Collaboration with The Wellbeing Partners and work in Social Emotional and Adverse Childhood Experiences realm
- Coming:
  - Metro-Omaha Raise Me to Read book Club – First book is Reader Come Home: The Reading Brain in a Digital World.



# Mode Shift Omaha

- Mode Shift Omaha partnered with MAHA last weekend and parked 85 bikes for concert goers! We've also appeared on the news twice talking about the new Harney Street Pilot protected bike lane and rallied our base to email the City Council about the budget and CIP which allocated \$0 to making the pilot lane permanent.

