

# Office of the Vice President for **Business Affairs** NEWSLETTER

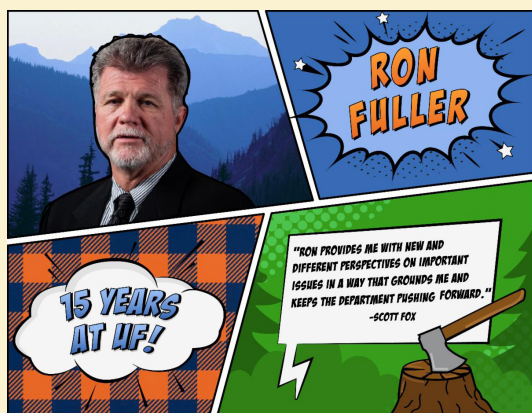


## Message from Vice President, Curtis A. Reynolds

With the semester and football season in full swing, I am happy to say autumn is here! Hurricane season is still present, so please review Emergency Management tips on hurricane safety.

September 15-October 15 is Hispanic Heritage Month and we will be highlighting a number of employees across Business Affairs on our Twitter account. Make sure to follow us for updates and employee highlights. This newsletter is full of employee spotlights, feature stories, and yes, prizes! The prizes are provided by Pepsi Co. Email [analee.rodriquez@ufl.edu](mailto:analee.rodriquez@ufl.edu) by 10.15.21 to be entered to win one of the Pepsi prizes. Thank you for reading and staying up to date across Business Affairs.

Go Gators,  
Curtis A. Reynolds



### Employee Spotlight

"Ron has come to be perceived as the wise ol' grandfather of the department," states Scott Fox, director of Transportation and Parking Services (TAPS) at UF.

Fifteen years of working at the University of Florida has taught Ron Fuller a variety of lessons. He has become an integral part of the TAPS department while working as the Associate Director of Operations, and his presence has grown across campus. He has led an inspirational career.

## Hispanic Heritage Month



The Business Affairs Twitter account will highlight five employees who have shared their Hispanic culture with us.

## New Leadership



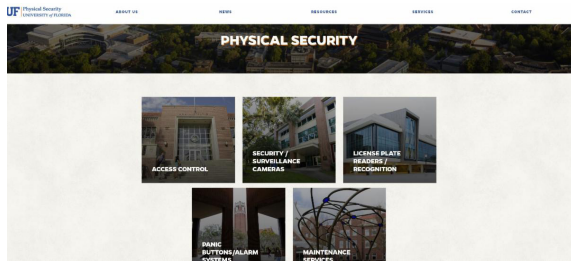
**Robin Stewart**  
Director of Administration and  
Finance for Business Services



**Shailendra Singh**  
Director of Environmental  
Health and Safety



## Physical Security Website



The website features:

- A resources tab for Lenel/Genetec Administrators
- Instruction manuals
- FAQ's
- Upcoming training dates for Lenel and Genetic
- Information on how to request maintenance services
- An About Us tab where customers can contact us directly via phone or email

## Elite Gators 2021 June & July

### Elite Gator Award Winner



### Joey Davis

Joey Davis was selected as the June Elite Gator. Joey is a Physical Security Coordinator I for Physical Security. His focus is on customer service for his many campus customers, he is hard-working, extremely professional and always helpful and friendly."

### Elite Gator Award Winner



### Jordan Benton

Jordan Benton was selected as the July Elite Gator Award winner. She is the Assistant Director of Operations at Facilities Services. "She was first tasked with a special assignment to help with the reimplementation of AssetWorks CMMS. She is the reason that other departments are interested in becoming part of AssetWorks."



## Pepsi Promotion



Want more chances of winning Gator gear? When you purchase Pepsi products make sure to scan the QR code on the product to be in the running for more prizes.

Good News! You are already in the running for one of the prizes above. Winners will be contacted directly. Entries are collected by opening the Business Affairs Newsletters. Entries will close on Friday, October 8th.

## EH&S Training Students



Every year a new graduate class joins the Chemistry Department and as part of their orientation program they receive a Safety training from the Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) Lab Safety Department. The EHS coordinators (Mike Tomlin-Yost and Katye Poole) led by Cindy Mercado, Lab Safety Program Manager, put together an interactive activity for the new class of about 50 graduate students in chemistry.



## New RTS App

The City of Gainesville's RTS bus service will launch a new and improved app tomorrow. This new app will have real-time bus tracking, show detours and campus construction. The app is available for download on both Android and Apple devices.



## Small Business Tools

Small Business & Supplier Diversity (SBSD) launched digital tools to aid and connect small businesses with potential University opportunities. Increasing small and diverse business use across the University is now easier than ever as resources are now available to support this undertaking. Vice President for Business Affairs, Curtis A. Reynolds said “having the ability to offer resources to small, minority, and locally owned establishments to enhance their entrepreneurial growth will help the greater Gainesville economy. Small Business and Supplier Diversity also built digital tools for the University community to increase their knowledge and awareness of spending within the small, local, and minority owned businesses. This is a phenomenal achievement that will be greatly utilized.”

## Congratulations on Retirement

Hoeun Bin  
Marva E Boswell  
Delio Figueroa  
Craig Hill  
Charles E Jackson  
Dan Jarrell

Eddie King  
Danny Thomas Monroe  
Mercedes Rodriguez  
Donald Rysak  
Ronnie Thompson

## Thank you for Reading!



“One of our employees accidentally knocked over the plexiglass shield on top of my desk that separates me from our customers. Mary’s customer service is awesome. She kept in contact with me through the entire process and went the extra mile to assist me. Mary did not hesitate to help me. I feel much safer with the shield in place during these COVID times. I just wanted to express my thanks and appreciation to Mary, she is an asset to your department and she should be recognized for her outstanding service. Again many thanks to Mary.” From Jim McElveen, Disbursement Services *to Mary Cox-O’Loughlin, Facilities Services*

“On August 19, Mr. Lacy Anderson, Facilities Services, found and turned in a wallet to my office...I am sharing this to say that we are not only pleased with the exceptional quality of service provided by Mr. Lacy, Davita and Miesha in our building, but we have adopted them as our work family. The integrity that Mr. Lacy showed, the honesty he portrayed, restored that young lady’s faith in humanity. Kudos to them, and to you as this reflects greatly on our department.” From Nekia Jones, Administrative Assistant to Dr. Michele Manuel, Chair *to Mr. Lacy Anderson, Facilities Services*

Miesha Harris, Facilities Services: “We are so grateful to you and your staff for all they do at CJC. We wouldn’t operate as well as we do without your help. Please know that we love having you all as part of the CJC family. “ - J. Robyn Goodman, Ph.D. Chair and Associate Professor for UF Department of Advertising *to Miesha Harris, Facilities Services*

## Customer Feedback & Reviews