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What is the Professional and Scientific Council? This seems like a simple question. The easy answer is that Professional and Scientific Council is a resource and advocate for Professional and Scientific employees. This answer is often repeated by members of Council and is found in our constitution and on our website. Indeed, it is not a wrong answer. From the annual Professional Development Conference (there is still time to register) to statements on compensation to the Board of Regents to meeting with members of the University's administration, this answer summarizes what the Professional and Scientific Council does. However, it misses something important: who we are.

The Professional and Scientific Council is a group of remarkable individuals bound together by a dedication to doing what they can to improve the lives of the people they work with. It is this dedication that motivates council members to do whatever helping their co-workers requires, even though that often means taking on duties on top of their regular jobs and doing things the rest of campus might never see. Every year, the President and President-Elect meet with administration and every year, the Professional Development Committee spends countless hours planning, organizing, and executing the Professional Development Conference, even though most people only see the result. Every year, various committees provide continuous feedback to the University on policies and practices that impact Professional and Scientific employees. In these and many other ways, this group of people shows their dedication to our university.

Interested in running for Council or know someone who would be great? Nominations are OPEN! Learn more and complete the nomination <u>form</u> online by February 29th.