



THIS WEEK'S POLL: Do you like the new website?

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Vijay Nair Assumes CSU- AAUP Presidency

On July 1, 2010, due to the retirement of David Walsh and pursuant to the CSU-AAUP Constitution, Vijay Nair, formerly CSU-AAUP Vice President assumed the CSU-AAUP Presidency for the 2010-2011 Academic Year. Vijay has been a librarian at Western Connecticut State University since 1984, serving in WCSU-AAUP Senate from 1987 to 2007, including five terms as President (2000-2005). He has also served as a member and Chair of various Senate Committees including Promotion and Tenure Committee, University Planning and Budget Committee, Working Conditions Committee, Media Services and Library Policy Committee, and the Research and Development Committee.

Vijay has held various AAUP offices continuously since 1986, including Council Member, Grievance Officer, Contract Manager, Vice President, and President of the WCSU-AAUP Chapter and Secretary and Vice President of CSU-AAUP. He has been a member of the CSU-AAUP Negotiating Team for the last four negotiations and served as Chief Negotiator for the current contract. Vijay has also held several AAUP positions at the Connecticut State Conference-AAUP and National AAUP levels, including serving as a member of the AAUP Committee on Academic Professionals and an at-large member of the Collective Bargaining Congress Executive Committee.

CSU-AAUP's New Communication Tools

Over the summer, CSU-AAUP moved its website off the Central Connecticut State University server to www.csuaaup.org. The new website includes interactive features such as a weekly poll and the option to comment on the content of some pages.

In addition, you can now [follow CSU-AAUP on Twitter](#) and ["like" us on Facebook](#). CSU-AAUP will be using these tools

as another means to post news, and we hope it will be a useful and easy tool for our members to provide feedback to union leaders.

Finally, this is the first edition of our new e-newsletters. We will continue to provide a monthly printed newsletter that will be a compilation of the articles from the e-newsletter until we are confident that all members are receiving our newsletters electronically.

Summer Activities

CSU-AAUP sent 16 members to the National AAUP meeting in Washington, D.C. in June, 23 members to the National AAUP Summer Institute at San Diego State University in July, and 9 members to the 9th Conference of the Coalition of Contingent Academic Laborers (COCAL) in Quebec City, Canada in August.

To learn more about these meetings, please follow the appropriate links:

- [Annual Meeting](#) (read details on the [censored administrations](#))
- [Summer Institute](#)
- [COCAL](#)

New Member Benefit: Book Discount

National AAUP has joined the Wiley Society Discount Program. As a publishing partner of John Wiley & Sons/ Wiley-Blackwell, AAUP will be able to offer its members a [25 percent discount on Wiley books](#). The 25 percent discount is applicable across all subject and discipline areas, including the Frommer's Guides and Betty Crocker cookbooks. Contact your local AAUP office for the discount code.

Have a question? Get the answer!

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