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National and Conference Elections Begin

The national AAUP office will begin sending ballots out this week for the 2013 elections of national and state officers and representatives.

At the national level, officers are elected biannually, and are assisted in governing the Association by an elected national Council that meets twice a year and by an Executive Committee that meets four times a year.

In 2013, AAUP members are electing the Chair of the Assembly of State Conferences and a total of nine Council members: six district seats and three at-large seats. Connecticut AAUP members vote for ASC Chair, three At-Large Council representatives, and a Council representative for District 9 (Connecticut, New Hampshire, and Vermont).

Connecticut AAUP members will also elect Connecticut Conference officers.

National Candidates

Candidates for ASC Chair and At-Large Council members are listed below. In most cases, their biographical information and candidate statements can be found on the [candidate page](http://www.aaup.org/about/elected-leaders/elections/2013-aaup-election-information/candidate-biographical-information-and-statements) on the AAUP website at <http://www.aaup.org/about/elected-leaders/elections/2013-aaup-election-information/candidate-biographical-information-and-statements>, or by clicking on the live links. The nominating committee was Charles Baker, Chair, College of the Holy Cross; Robert Boikess, Rutgers University; Jeanette Jeneault, Syracuse University; Donna Selman, Eastern Michigan University; and Lynn Tatum, Baylor University.

National Council At-Large

[Natalio Avani](#), San Francisco State University
[Jane Buck](#), Delaware State University
Tom Coffey, Creighton University
[Jeffrey Halpern](#), Rider University
Dennis W. Mazzocco, Hofstra University
Debasmita (Debu) Misra, University of Alaska-Fairbanks
[Christopher Moylan](#), New York Institute of Technology-Old Westbury
[Dan O'Connor](#), Rutgers University
Craig Vasey, University of Mary Washington
[Deanna Wood](#), University of New Hampshire

ASC Chair

[Joerg Tiede](#), Illinois Wesleyan University
Clayton Rosati, Bowling Green State University

Council members elected will be installed at the November 2013 Council meeting. The chair of the ASC takes office upon the close of the ASC Business Meeting on June 14, 2013.

More information on National campaign and election procedures can be found on the AAUP website www.aaup.org, specifically <http://www.aaup.org/about/elected-leaders/elections/2013-aaup-election-information>.

State Candidates

In addition, the National office will be balloting for those state conferences that have requested that National conduct the balloting for their own elections. All AAUP members in good standing may vote for National officers; all Connecticut members of AAUP in good standing may vote for Conference officers.

Connecticut State Conference officers are elected biannually. Election of Conference officers and representatives takes place in the same balloting process as for National AAUP officers and Council members.

Further information on the Conference elections may be found on the Conference website at <http://csc.csuaaup.org/>.

This special Election Edition of *Vanguard* presents biographical information, candidate statements, and photographs for all candidates for Conference positions and for the National AAUP District 9 seat on Council.

The [CSC-AAUP Constitution](#), available on the Conference website, describes our organizational structure and the duties of the members of the Executive Committee.

Connecticut Conference officers begin their terms on June 1, 2013.

Members of the CSC-AAUP 2013-2015 Nominating Committee were Charles Ross (Chair), *English*, University of Hartford, Immediate Past President CSC-AAUP; E. Carol Polifroni, *Nursing*, University of Connecticut, President UConn-AAUP; and Vijay Nair, *Library*, Western Connecticut State University, President CSU-AAUP.

Notes from the Conference Executive Committee:

AAUP Elections

The Connecticut State Conference-AAUP reminds all AAUP members-in-good-standing that ballots are being mailed from the National office for the 2013 AAUP elections. This issue of *Vanguard* is dedicated to informing Connecticut voters of candidates for offices that specifically represent them, on both the National and Conference levels.

According to National regulations, the election notice will be mailed between March 3 and March 7 to all eligible AAUP members (in good standing as of February 1, 2013) at their last known home address as part of the ballot package. For eligible AAUP members with no known home address, the election notice, but not the ballot package, will be mailed to the member's work address.

Ballot secrecy is ensured by the use of a double-envelope system for return of the voted ballots with the necessary voter identification appearing only on the outer envelope in regular-mail elections. Ballot envelopes are coded to prevent double-voting.

The ballot package will include information about how to request another ballot if the ballot package is not received or if a member has spoiled a ballot in the process of voting. This information will also be posted on the national AAUP website. Return envelopes containing replacement ballots are suitably coded to prevent double counting of ballots.

The procedures for opening and counting votes are outlined on the [AAUP website](#).

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AAUP State Conference Officers 2011–2013

President—Irene Mulvey, *Mathematics*, Fairfield University. Delegate to National Meeting.

Vice President/Treasurer—David Bedding, *Physics*, University of Connecticut–Waterbury. Delegate to National Meeting.

Secretary—Susan Reinhart, *Art*, Gateway Community College. Delegate to National Meeting.

Executive Director—Flo Hatcher, *Art*, formerly p-t Southern Connecticut State University.

Executive Committee 2011–2013

Ruth Anne Baumgartner—Chair, Editorial Committee. First At-Large. Fairfield and Central Connecticut State universities.

Albert Buatti—Chair, Committee on Community Colleges. Third At-Large. Middlesex Community College.

Ira Braus—Fourth At-Large. University of Hartford.

Joan Chrisler—Past President. Connecticut College.

Andrew Fish, Jr.—Second At-Large. University of New Haven.

Vijay Nair—CSU–AAUP Liaison. Western Connecticut State. (Past President.)

Charles Ross—Committee A Chair; Chapter Service Program Director. Immediate Past President. University of Hartford.

Morton Tenzer—Chair, Committee on Government Relations. University of Connecticut (ret.).

Campus & Organizational Liaisons

Albertus Magnus College—**Jerome Nevins**, *Art*.

CCSU–AAUP—**Ellen Benson**, *Communications Associate*.

Connecticut College—**Joan C. Chrisler**, *Psychology*.

ECSU–AAUP—**Karen Patterson**, *Chapter Staff*.

Emeritus Assembly—**Mort Tenzer**, *Political Science* (ret.), University of Connecticut; **May-Wo Giger**, *Psychology* (ret.), CCSU, webmaster.

Fairfield University—**Irene Mulvey**, *Mathematics*.

Gateway Community College—**Susan Reinhart**, *Art*.

Middlesex Community College—**Stephen Krevisky**, *Mathematics*.

Paier College of Art—**Jack O'Hara**, *Mathematics & Computer Science*.

Sacred Heart University—**Larry Weinstein**, *Management*.

St. Joseph University—**Marylouise Welch**, *Nursing*.

SCSU–AAUP—**Linda Cunningham**, *Member Services Coordinator*.

Trinity College—**Diane Zannoni**, *Economics*.

UConn–AAUP—**Peter Q. Nguyen**, *Director*.

UConn–AAUP—**E. Carol Polifroni**, *Nursing*; President.

UConn Health Center—**Donald Kreutzer**, *Pathology*.

UConn Law School—**Lewis Kurlantzick**, *International Law*.

University of Hartford—**Charles Ross**, *English*.

University of New Haven—**Andrew Fish, Jr.**, *Electrical & Computer Engineering*.

Wesleyan University—*vacant*.

WCSU–AAUP—**Elise Silkowski**, *Chapter Staff*.

Yale University—**John Treat**, *East Asian Languages & Literatures*.

Editorial Committee

Ruth Anne Baumgartner—Editor. *English*, Fairfield University and CCSU.

Joan Chrisler—*Psychology*, Connecticut College.

Karen Engwall—Book Review Co-editor. *Counseling & Wellness Center*, CCSU.

Al Kulcsar—Production Assistant.

Charles Ross—*English*, University of Hartford.

David Stoloff—Media Features Editor. *Education*, ECSU.

Kenneth Weiss—Book Review Co-editor. *Reading & Language Arts*, CCSU.

Website Design and Maintenance

Vijay Nair—*Library*, WCSU.

Ellen Benson, *CSU–AAUP Communications Associate*.

Ballot for the 2013 National AAUP and Connecticut Conference Elections

AAUP 2013 Election

All National and AAUP Officer and council candidates were nominated by the Nominating Committee



2013 Council At-Large (Vote for no more than three.)

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| <input type="radio"/> Christopher Moylan, NYIT-Old Westbury | <input type="radio"/> Dan O'Connor, Rutgers U |
| <input type="radio"/> Craig Vasey, U of Mary Washington | <input type="radio"/> Deanna Wood, U of New Hampshire |

2013 Council District 9 (Vote for no more than one.)

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2013 ASC Chair (Vote for no more than one.)

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Connecticut: CSC-AAUP President (Vote for no more than one.)

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Connecticut: CSC-AAUP Vice President (Vote for no more than one.)

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| <input type="radio"/> David Bedding, U of Connecticut |
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Connecticut: CSC-AAUP Secretary (Vote for no more than one.)

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| <input type="radio"/> Susan Reinhart, Gateway Community College |
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Connecticut: CSC-AAUP Treasurer (Vote for no more than one.)

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| <input type="radio"/> Irene Mulvey, Fairfield U |
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Connecticut: CSC-AAUP At-Large Member (Vote for no more than four.)

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| <input type="radio"/> Andrew Fish, U of New Haven | <input type="radio"/> Clifton Price, Southern Connecticut State U |

AAUP Election Notice:

The 2013 AAUP Election is being conducted by secret mail ballot. Ballots for this election are being mailed to members on XXXX. Any eligible member who has not received a ballot in the mail at home by XXXX or any member who spoils a ballot may request a new ballot by contacting AAUP at XXX. If you request and return another ballot, only the replacement ballot will be counted.

Voting Instructions:

Step 1:

Completely fill in the circle next to the name of the candidates of your choice. Do not place your name, initials, or any other identifying information on the ballot. Ballots containing any identifying information will be voided.

Step 2:

Place your marked ballot in the small envelope labeled "Secret Ballot Envelope" and seal it. Do not write on this envelope. You must use the Secret Ballot Envelope to insure that ballot secrecy is maintained. Failure to use the Secret Ballot Envelope will result in your ballot being voided when the ballots are counted.

Step 3:

Insert the sealed Secret Ballot Envelope containing your marked ballot into the postage-paid return envelope pre-addressed to AAUP and seal it.

IMPORTANT: Mail your ballot in sufficient time for it to be received at P.O. Box XXX no later than X:XX p.m. on XXXX.



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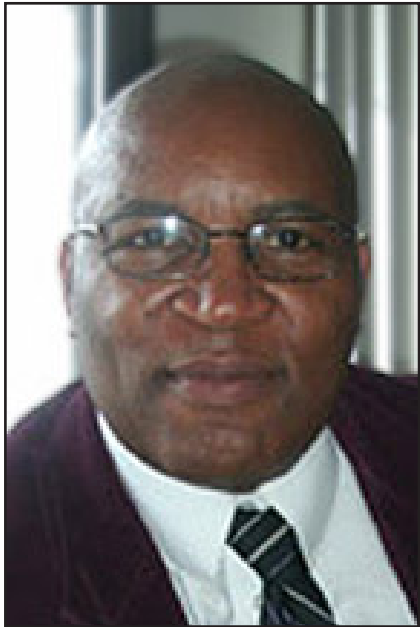
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Introducing the Connecticut Candidates ...

National Council, District 9 (Connecticut, New Hampshire, Vermont)

2013 Council District 9 (Vote for no more than one.)

☐ Julian Madison, Southern Connecticut U



Julian C. Madison, *History*, Southern Connecticut State University

An advocate for shared governance, I am a member of the CSU-AAUP Executive Council and SCSU-AAUP Grievance Officer. I have also been a participant in AAUP workshops.

For the past several years the academy has been under attack from a variety of people and institutions including politicians, the news media, and college and university administrators. Here in the State of Connecticut, the latest attack on

faculty involves the legislature looking at issues regarding reassigned time as well as the elimination of remediation that would put more pressure on faculty and hurt our students.

Unfortunately, like most other AAUP chapters, CSU-AAUP has had to fight battles on campus as well as off. For the past few years I have participated in lobbying efforts, on campus and at the statehouse, to prevent the erosion of faculty rights to the detriment of the faculty and students. Many of the problems we have in the Connecticut State system either mirror or foretell problems academic institutions will face in the coming years.

As a long-time member of the AAUP, I have developed an understanding of ideologies and tactics used by those who wish to erode faculty rights.

My background and experience will be an asset to the National AAUP Council. I ask for your vote to the council for the 2013 election.

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☐ Irene Mulvey, Fairfield U

Irene Mulvey, *Mathematics*, Fairfield University

I am a Professor of Mathematics at Fairfield University. I have a Ph.D. in mathematics from Wesleyan University (1983); my field is Dynamical Systems. I have been an AAUP member since 1989.

I am deeply committed to the Association's important organizing work and core principles: ensuring higher education's contribution to the common good and empowering faculty and academic professionals through organizing. If elected to another term on Council, I will work to achieve greater unity among the Association's members, elected leaders, and activists in order to confront more effectively the challenges facing higher education while preserving our accomplishments from the past and looking toward the future of higher education in a rapidly changing world.

The challenges are considerable: academic budgets cut, programs eliminated, contingent faculty exploited, faculty positions terminated, tenure and academic freedom threatened, shared governance misunderstood and circumvented, salaries reduced, benefits eliminated, furloughs imposed, and collective bargaining rights themselves fiercely attacked. Overcoming these challenges will require collective action and unity. It will be critically important to focus on recruiting new members and educating our existing members on the role they must play in safeguarding academic freedom and promoting shared governance.

I have experience with both non-collective bargaining and collective bargaining chapters. I have been a leader of the AAUP chapter at Fairfield

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Connecticut Conference Officers

Candidate for CSC-AAUP President

☐ Ira Braus, U of Hartford



Ira Braus, *Music*, The Hartt School/ University of Hartford.

An associate professor of music history at the Hartt School, University of Hartford, I have published widely on topics spanning Brahms-Wagner studies to psychoacoustic music theory. My solo piano performances have been broadcast on NPR and released on Centaur Records. An alumnus of Tanglewood Music Center, before coming to the Hartt School in 1997, I held contingent posts at S.U.N.Y. Oneonta, New England Conservatory, and Bates College.

During the last decade I served on my university's sabbatical, library, and "clinical track" committees and facilitated visits to campus by distinguished scholars. I was a Visiting Scholar at McGill University's Center for Interdisciplinary Research in Music and Media Technology in Fall 2012.

Candidate for CSC-AAUP Vice President

☐ David Bedding, U of Connecticut

David Bedding, *Physics* (Professor Emeritus), University of Connecticut

I hold a Ph.D. in physics from the University of Connecticut; my Fairfield University Bachelor's degree and Clark University Master's degree are also in that discipline.

I worked in Atomic and Molecular as well Solid State Physics. For 34 years I taught at the University of Connecticut. I have been an active AAUP member for more than thirty years and have served at many levels of the state and national organization, including Member of the national Council and the Executive Committee, Treasurer of the Collective Bargaining Congress, President of the University of Connecticut Chapter of AAUP, and Vice President and Treasurer of the Connecticut State Conference.

I believe that supporting AAUP principles is more important than ever in these trying times.



Candidate for CSC–AAUP Secretary

☐ Susan Reinhart, Gateway Community College



Susan Reinhart, Art (part-time), Gateway Community College

I hold an A.B. from Vassar College and an M.F.A. from the Tyler School of Art, Temple University. I was a member of the University of Bridgeport faculty from 1969 through 1990; I taught Sculpture, achieved the rank of full professor, and in the spring of 1990 became chair of the department. Since then I have taught part-time variously at Paier College of Art, Albertus Magnus College, and for the last 12 years Gateway Community College.

I joined the campus AAUP chapter (and National) in the late ‘70s, when the faculty organized for collective bargaining. I served as Strike Captain for the last two of our several strikes.

I became involved with the Connecticut Conference in the 1980s, as a Chapter Delegate. In 1993 I was elected Treasurer of the Conference Executive Committee, and served in that office until 2011, when I ran for and was elected to serve as Secretary. As Treasurer I facilitated the establishment of and helped to administer three named funds (the Bard, the Tenzer, and the Lang funds) authorized by the Executive Committee for various purposes related to the work and outreach of the Conference.

Like many members of AAUP, I am very concerned about the extent to which the corporate model has overtaken the academy: in particular, the top-down structure, with faculty viewed as assembly-line workers and students as consumers of some quantifiable commodity while the administration serves the “bottom line.” This orientation undermines the whole purpose of higher education and is a danger to our future as a society and a country, as well as to our profession. The Conference is an important line of defense for colleges and universities in the state, and by means of support, consultation, and collaboration the Connecticut Conference has been a strong ally for individuals and chapters who have found themselves victimized by the corporate model.

To play an active part in the communications necessary for these kinds of efforts, I am seeking to continue in the the position of Secretary.

Candidate for CSC–AAUP Treasurer

☐ Irene Mulvey, Fairfield U

Irene Mulvey, Mathematics, Fairfield University



I first got involved with the CT State Conference–AAUP in September 2007, when I was appointed by the President to be conference Secretary to fill the remaining term of our colleague George Lang, who had passed away suddenly after a brief illness. After that initial appointment, I was elected to two consecutive terms as conference President. I appreciated the important work of the conference for years, and my appreciation only deepened with my service on the Executive Committee.

The Conference is an invaluable resource to faculty and academic professionals in the state—whether they are part of a collective bargaining chapter or advocacy chapter, a member at an institution with no AAUP chapter, or not yet an AAUP member. The conference’s Robert Bard Legal Defense fund, our Mort Tenzer Travel fund, our chapter service programs, our annual lobbying day on Capitol Hill in D.C., and our award-winning conference newsletter, *Vanguard*, strengthen higher education in Connecticut and promote its contribution to the higher good. The work I have done with the state conference and, in particular, with the members of the conference Executive Committee has been some of the most rewarding work of my career. I believe my contributions as Secretary and then for four years as President have been valuable to the work of the conference, and I’d like to continue this good work. Since the President is constitutionally limited to two consecutive terms, I am running for Treasurer. I am currently Treasurer of my chapter at Fairfield University, the Faculty Welfare Committee–AAUP, and I served as Treasurer for the Wesley School PTO (a non-profit with an annual budget of about \$90,000) for some five years in the 1990s.

If elected, I pledge be the best Treasurer I can be and to work as hard as I can to fulfill the mission of the AAUP in Connecticut and beyond: to advance academic freedom and shared governance, to define fundamental professional values and standards for higher education, and to ensure higher education’s contribution to the common good.

Connecticut Conference Executive Committee At-Large Candidates

☐ Ruth Anne Baumgartner, Central Connecticut State U



Ruth Anne Baumgartner, English (part-time), Central Connecticut State and Fairfield universities

For the first two decades of my 42-year teaching career I was a member of the English Department of the University of Bridgeport; my “Orienteering in Wonderland: Ethical Decision-Making by Faculty in the U.B. Strike” [*Journal of Academic Ethics* 1.3 (2003):295-322] describes the event that ended that phase of my career. Since then I have taught part-time at a number of

institutions, currently at Central Connecticut State University and Fairfield University. My B.A. is from Dickinson College (Carlisle, PA); I hold an M.A. from the University of Rochester, where I also did all work for the Ph.D. except the dissertation. I have been an AAUP member since 1970.

While at U.B. I served as President of Faculty Council, member of the University Senate Executive Committee, chair of the Standard on Organization and Governance for the 1989 NEASC accreditation

self-study, and member of the AAUP bargaining team for the 1990s contract negotiations. In the early ‘80s I also headed a UB–AAUP task force that wrote a contract article on Part-time Faculty proposed for inclusion in the collective-bargaining agreement. From 1990-1992 I served as Chapter Secretary, and assisted our attorneys in preparing and presenting our severance claim in arbitration. Thus I have been deeply involved over the long term in issues of governance, due process, academic freedom, and tenure, all fundamental to the mission of AAUP.

At Fairfield University in 2006 – 2008 I chaired an internal-grant-funded study of part-time faculty at Fairfield, gathering various statistics on FU part-timers, assembling lists of professional and instructional facilities and needs, and developing a unique proposal for institutional support of this faculty group.

I have been part of the Connecticut Conference Executive Committee since 1992: my principal contribution has been service as Editor of *Vanguard* (which has four times received awards for excellence from National). In 1995 and 2000 I was the recipient of the Award for Distinguished Service to the Profession given by the Connecticut Conference of AAUP.

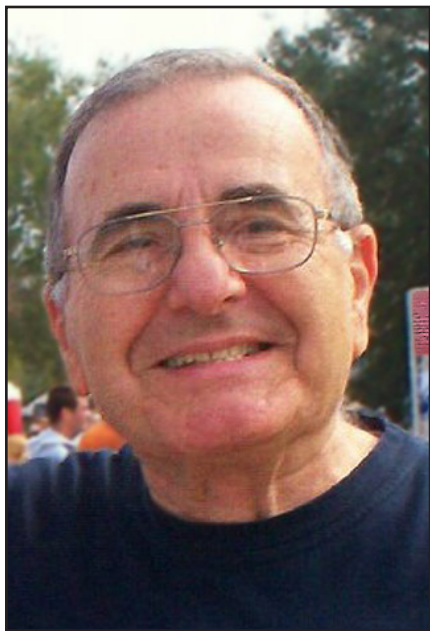
I joined AAUP in 1970, when one of the members of my Ph.D. qualifying-exam board said “Congratulations! It’s time to join AAUP!” I became actively engaged at the chapter level when the faculty of the University of Bridgeport elected AAUP as their collective-bargaining agent in the late ‘70s; in 1990, in the midst of the U.B. strike that ended my full-time career, I became involved with the state conference and thereby the National organization. Thus, as for many AAUP members, I joined because AAUP was my professional organization, but adversity was the repeated push that escalated my participation.

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Baumgartner...from 4

Adversity, of various kinds, we continue to face. As a profession we were taken largely unawares by the seismic shift to contingent staffing and away from tenure and the academic freedom, due process, and shared governance it protects; but AAUP has moved into a leadership position on that issue, and AAUP is the organization best suited for that fight and others we must wage, the only organization that represents the profession as a whole. Effective and constant communication among local chapters, state conferences, and National is not only important in addressing our present concerns but also vital if we are not to be taken unawares as administrations, corporations, and politicians collaborate on the next disastrous idea.

○ Albert Buatti, Middlesex Community College



Albert Buatti, *Information Systems* (Professor Emeritus), Middlesex Community College

I was Middlesex Community College Science Department Chair for 4 years, and Coordinator for the Information Systems Program for 4 years. I served with the National Science Foundation Faculty Fellowship Program, and was in the first class of Yale University fellowships awarded for Connecticut faculty. I administered the creation of a Nuclear Medicine Technology Program at Middlesex Community College that received AMA

Accreditation, and that took medical imaging from film to computer-generated images.

During my teaching career I created many courses in the Science Department and the Information Systems program of study.

Prior to teaching, I worked as an Engineer for Pratt & Whitney Aircraft during the time they were attempting to build a nuclear-powered airplane, and later for G.E. and the Naval Reactors nuclear submarine program.

My Middlesex Community College service included Chapter Chair for 3 years, Delegate to the Connecticut Community College Union, the Congress of the Connecticut Community Colleges, for more than 30 years, and I served on the state-wide Governance and Election Committees.

I have been a member of the Connecticut State Conference-AAUP for 10 years. Currently I serve as an At-Large Member and I chair the CSC-AAUP Committee on Community Colleges.

○ Andrew Fish, U of New Haven



Andrew J. Fish, Jr., *Electrical and Computer Engineering*, University of New Haven

I have been a member of the academic profession for over forty years—since 1987, at the university of New Haven. I earned a Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering at the University of Connecticut in 1980. I hold an M.S. in Mathematics (1974) from St. Mary's University in San Antonio, an M.S. in Electrical Engineering (1973) from The University of Iowa, and a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute (1966). I was

a teaching assistant at the University of Connecticut and University of Iowa, and have held tenure-track positions at the University of Hartford and Western New England College.

At UNH I am currently Vice Chair of the Faculty Senate and Chair of the Grievance Committee. Additional university service includes membership on the Faculty Affairs Committee, which reviews all policies related to faculty employment and discusses them with the university

administration; on the Budget and Finance Committee, which assesses and makes recommendations about budget priorities and the allocation of financial resources; and on the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, which monitors, evaluates, and recommends changes to policies and operations pertaining to academics, including curriculum, courses, programs, methods of instruction, calendars, and standards. I have also served on the Faculty Disciplinary Committee, tenure and promotion committees, curriculum committees, and handbook committees, and I have chaired my Department.

When I was Chair of the Faculty Welfare Committee, I negotiated an equity agreement with the administration whose objective was to raise faculty salaries to CUPA averages by rank and discipline. When the University decided to close the aviation program, I worked with the Chair of the Faculty Senate to preserve tenure, rank, and salary for the affected faculty, thus strengthening tenure and academic freedom for the whole faculty. And as Chair of the Faculty Senate, I worked closely with the Connecticut Conference, and especially Bob Bard, to improve the faculty handbook.

I have been a member of the AAUP since 1995. My AAUP experience on a state level includes lengthy service on the Connecticut State Conference-AAUP Executive Committee as an At-large Delegate and University of New Haven Liaison.

My engineering friends in industry like to say, "what is the greatest threat the nation faces? The educational system." I would rather say the greatest threat to the nation is the threat to the educational system. As the corporate model is imposed upon university after university, as tenure is weakened, as academic freedom is weakened, so is our higher-educational system. Academic freedom is the foundation of our democracy, and we need to fight for it!

○ Clifton Price, Southern Connecticut State U



Clifton Price, *English*, Fairfield and Southern Connecticut State universities, University of Bridgeport

Entering his fifteenth year as a contingent faculty member, Clifton Price currently teaches first-year writing at Fairfield University and Southern Connecticut State University and senior seminars at the University of Bridgeport. He has taught at the University of Memphis, Georgia Southern University, Pennsylvania Highlands Community College, the Uni-

versity of Cincinnati, the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown, Penn State Altoona, and Savannah State University. President of the Georgia Southern University Chapter of AAUP from 2009-2010, he also served as a member of the Georgia Conference of the AAUP's Committee on Contingent Faculty during the same period.

As President of the Georgia Southern chapter, he co-authored articles on faculty concerns for the campus newspaper; coordinated and moderated a university forum on academic freedom; spoke at a student-organized rally to protest projected budget cuts by the state legislature; and attended the AAUP's Annual Summer Institute in San Diego in 2010. Though ineligible, due to his contingent status, to sit on Georgia Southern University's Faculty Senate, during his six years at that institution, he authored several motions that advocated for the rights and welfare of faculty members that came before that body. At the University of Cincinnati, he served on both the Faculty Senate and the Faculty Grievance Committee from 2005-2006, chairing the Nominations and Nominations Coordinating committees of the Faculty Senate.

He recently ran as an unaffiliated candidate for the Connecticut State House of Representatives.

***The protection and exercise of
academic freedom is an ongoing mission.***

Join AAUP.

Mulvey...from 3

University for years. Notable for its activism, its organization, and its success in membership (nearly 75% of the faculty are AAUP members), Fairfield AAUP is a non-collective bargaining chapter that belongs to the AAUP's Collective Bargaining Congress. Like our CBC colleagues, we know the power of the collective; membership in our chapter has been over 70% for decades. Formal, legally certified collective bargaining is an effective way to organize faculty, but most faculty don't have the opportunity, for legal and other reasons, to engage in formal bargaining. From my experience at Fairfield, I know that faculty can be effectively organized with or without formal bargaining. We need to organize wherever and however we can, and we need to educate the broader public on the value of the AAUP and the profession. No other faculty organization carries out the work at the core of our mission, and promoting and publicizing that work is the key to organizing faculty and academic professionals.

- Selected governance activity at Fairfield University:
- Secretary of the General Faculty
 - 9/2003-8/2006, 9/2006-8/2009, 9/2009-8/2012 served three consecutive three-year terms in our highest elected faculty office;
 - Faculty Salary Committee
 - 9/1999 – 8/2003; 9/2012-8/2014, elected by the faculty, this committee negotiates our annual contract (salary and benefits) with the administration; Chair 00-01 and 01-02;
 - Academic Council
 - 9/1995-8/1999, Chair 96-97, Executive Secretary 97-98 and 98-99

AAUP Involvement (chapter level):
Worked with Steering Committee since 1999;
Received *Colleague of the Year Award* 2005-06; Newsletter Editor 9/2007-present; awarded the ASC Outstanding Newsletter Award three times.

AAUP Involvement (state level):
Connecticut State Conference-AAUP Executive Committee 9/2007-present;
CSC-AAUP Secretary 9/2007-6/2009;
CSC-AAUP President 7/2009-6/2011;
CSC-AAUP President 7/2011-6/2013.

AAUP Involvement (national level):
AAUP Foundation Grants Committee (appointed by AAUP President)
Council Member District IX 7/2011-3/2012;
Council Executive Committee, at-large member 7/2011-3/2012;
Council Budget and Planning Committee;
Council Member District IX 7/2008-6/2011;
Council Executive Committee, at-large member 7/2010 – 6/2011;
Committee on College and University Governance 7/2009-6/2012

- Selected AAUP Events: AAUP Summer Institute 2012
Workshop co-presenter: Chapter Development: Start a chapter, revive a chapter or strengthen a chapter;
Workshop co-presenter: Action-Oriented Meetings and Parliamentary Procedure.
- AAUP Shared Governance Conference/Workshops, November 2011
- Panelist: Making Faculty Senates Effective
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Panelist: The Relation of AAUP Chapters to Senates
· AAUP Summer Institute, 2011
Workshop co-presenter: Action-Oriented Meetings and Parliamentary Procedure
Workshop co-presenter: Practical Information for Building, Strengthening and Maintaining an Effective Advocacy Chapter

- AAUP Workshop on Governance, New Haven, CT 1/2010,
Panelist: Unions and Faculty Governance: Problems and Possibilities.
- AAUP Capitol Hill Day, 2007 - 2011
Participated in and organized Connecticut State Conference involvement.

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I regularly attend annual meetings of the Connecticut AAUP Conference, where I have enjoyed meeting fellow members and hearing their presentations. For the last two years I have served as an At-Large Member of the Connecticut Conference Executive Committee.

As a faculty member at the Hartt School, I have long promoted faculty governance and fair treatment of contingent faculty. Of late I've been working with faculty members to advise our new administration on prudently balancing fiscal and curricular concerns. For several years I have followed the literature on these ideas and recently reviewed for *Academe* (Jan.-Feb. 2011) *Academic Repression: Reflections from the Academic Industrial Complex*, eds. Anthony Nocella, II et al. (AK Press, 2010). My review highlighted the book's theme of academic corporatization and its implications for faculty governance. If elected AAUP Connecticut Conference President, I will continue to strive to integrate local and national issues of academic freedom so as to spur constructive action among faculty, administrators, and government leaders on these issues.



Conference Chapter Service Program

The Chapter Service Program is a Conference-based initiative to develop local chapters as active advocacy organizations.

The Connecticut State Conference-AAUP, in collaboration with the Assembly of State Conferences of AAUP National, will provide (for minimal local financial obligation) these services and others:

- *Chapter Leadership Training*
- *Analysis of Institutional Financial Data*
- *Consultation and Training in the Effective Use of Financial Analyses*
- *Training and Assistance in Chapter Committee A Work*
- *Consultation on Institutional Assessment*
- *Consultation on Faculty Issues in Use of Technology in Higher Education*

To take advantage of the Chapter Service Program, contact the Conference Office, attention Charles Ross, Chapter Service Program Director.

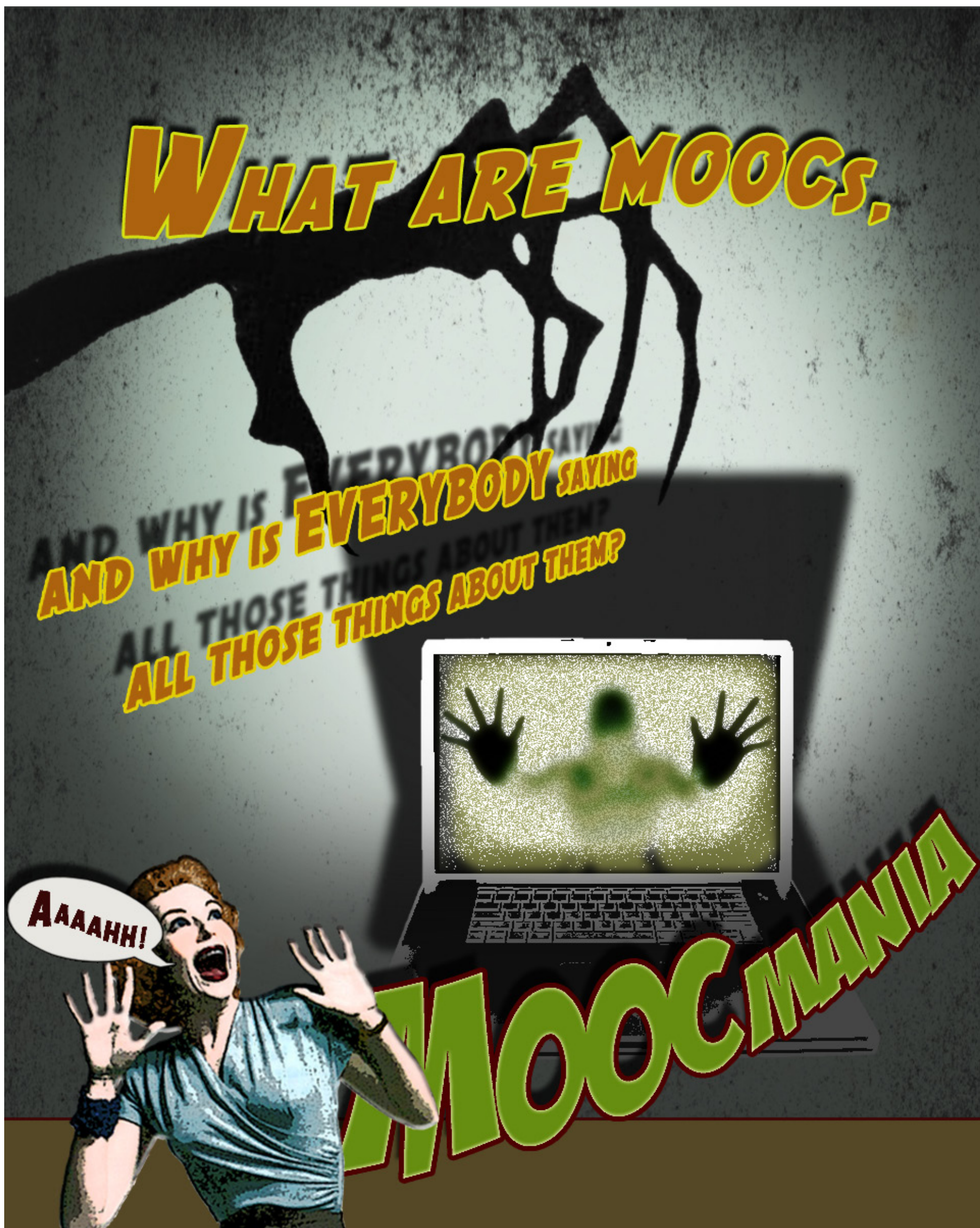
Upcoming National AAUP Events

The AAUP-CBC Northwest Regional Meeting takes place April 6, 2013, at Portland State University in Portland, Oregon. The event begins at 9:00am Saturday and offers opportunities to meet and discuss with CBC officers and national AAUP staff members issues of collective concern. For additional information about this important event please visit <http://www.aaup.org/event/cbc-regional-meeting-1> or contact AAUP Associate Secretary Christopher Simeone at csimeone@aaup.org.

Make plans to attend the national AAUP 2013 Annual Conference, June 12 to June 16, 2013, at the Mayflower Hotel, Washington, DC. Meetings of the Collective Bargaining Congress on June 13, the Assembly of State Conferences on June 14, and the Annual Members Meeting on Saturday June 15, all take place at the Mayflower. This annual event begins June 13 with member visits to Legislative Offices on Capitol Hill. Members who register by May 15 qualify for Early Bird rates on registration and hotel costs. For additional information visit <http://www.aaup.org/event/annual-conference13> or contact Executive Assistant Susan Smee at ssmee@aaup.org.

Join colleagues at the University of Washington, Seattle, WA for the AAUP Summer Institute, July 25 to July 28, 2013. This premier resource for developing the faculty voice on campus begins at noon on Thursday July 25 and features an intensive four-day series of workshops and seminars that will prepare members to organize their colleagues, stand up for academic freedom, and advocate for research and teaching as the core priority of higher education. Registration opens in April. For information about the program and workshop details, special excursions, and other highlights of this unique experience visit: <http://aaup.org/event/2013-aaup-cbc-summer-institute>.

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All will be revealed...

at the Annual Spring Meeting of CSC–AAUP on Friday evening, May 17, from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Graduate Club in New Haven. Jonathan Rees, Professor of History at Colorado State University–Pueblo and a vice president of AAUP’s Colorado Conference, will speak on the urgent, fascinating, and troubling topic of “massive open online courses,” or MOOCs.

Rees has been writing about online teaching for some time, and most recently on the political economy and pedagogical effects of MOOCs on his blog [More or Less Bunk](#), recommended last semester in *Vanguard*.

More details on Prof. Rees’ talk, and some background reading, will appear later this semester—appropriately enough, in the Spring *e-Vanguard*.

Save the date!