

Save the Date! On May 25th, at 5:30pm, UCHC-AAUP will host our Annual Spring meeting in person with remote access. Please see the [agenda](#).

UCHC-AAUP Elections Coming up! We invite you to run for open positions on our Executive Council and Collective Bargaining Council. Please contact Election Committee Chair, [Kevin Claffey](#) for more information. (We will also send out more information soon.)

It is Budget season at the State Capitol: The State budget has come out and our Executive Council and other UCHC-AAUP activists have been testifying, calling and writing their legislators. We have been successful at gaining the Appropriation Committees' attention to the unfunded legacy costs that have been a drag on the budgets at UConn Health.

The legislature finally appropriated for FY21 in the amount of \$50M, leaving a \$22.7M gap. For FY22 the proposal allotted \$32M for "temporary operating support" leaving a \$26.6M gap and for FY23 \$8M is allocated for the same purpose, leaving a \$62.5M gap. There is much more to be done.

Contact your Legislator: [Bruce Mayer](#) wrote his Legislators and received a call back and will have a conversation! Letters to your legislators are still needed! Email [Terri Reid](#) if you would like to connect with your delegation, she will send you contact information with a few talking points to help you.

Do you live in West Hartford? If so, join your legislators for a Zoom Meeting. Tonight! April 29th 7pm to 8pm [details are here](#).

Letters to the Editor: The Hartford Courant posted a scathing [op-ed](#) letter to the Editor titled, "The UConn Health Center is a money pit." Even after years of education on how important UConn Health is to the community, we are still having to defend the institution. We have put our frustration into action and have been coordinating responses to that article. [Elizabeth Appel](#) wrote a great letter. Sandy Cloud, chair of the UConn Health Board of Directors and a member of the University's Board of Trustees wrote an excellent [op-ed](#). Please contact [Cindy Polinsky](#) if you would like to write a letter.

Rally for our Future: [March for the Future Rally](#) Connecticut College Professors are calling on our public officials to move forward, not backwards, by protecting and expanding Connecticut Colleges and Universities. This Friday, April 30th 11-12:30 pm starting at Capital Community College in downtown Hartford and Marching to the Capitol.