Dear Colleagues,

**Contract**  As you know we have been working every week since last year, (with a little hiatus over the summer) on the new contract. Although we do not have a final agreement in hand, we are hoping to announce a tentative agreement soon! Stay tuned.

If you are not a member, you will not be able to vote on the contract! Please feel free to send in the e-mailable form and become a member today. The member sign-up form is here. Please email the signed form to Terri Reid at your earliest convenience.

We are hoping that members will be able to vote for the new contract at the end of the month. Our Collective Bargaining Committee, (CBC) worked incredibly hard on the contract, and we think faculty are going to appreciate the effort and the new contract proposals.

**MEETINGS**  In residence meeting March 7th at 12pm: Our next in residence faculty get together will be on Monday March 7th at noon. Please join Laura Haynes (UCHC-AAUP Treasurer and Professor in the Center on Aging) for a discussion of issues that keep you up at night as an in-residence faculty member at UConn Health.

Please join us here.

**Legislative**  On February 22nd we testified and sent testimony to the Appropriations Committee subcommittee on Higher Education in support of the budget for UConn Health as well as about the unfunded legacy costs which are a challenge to our grant-funded programs.

We need your voice! By the end of the legislative session, the Appropriation Committee will vote on the contract negotiated between UCHC-AAUP and UConn Health. Reaching out to your legislator is key to helping them to make an informed vote about the contract.

Please reach out to Terri Reid if you would like to submit written testimony, or reach out to your legislator. We can help with talking points.

Kind regards,

Ibrahim, Ion and Laura

Questions? Please contact admin@uchc-aaup.org