



Report from the Council of University System Faculty
Board of Regents
February 2011

The CUSF General Body met on December 10, 2010 at the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science and President Donald Boesch opened the meeting. USM Assistant Vice Chancellor for Administration & Finance JoAnn Goedert gave us an update on the Optional Retirement Program and the Employees Pension System.

The CUSF General Body met on January 21, 2011 at USM Adelphi. Chancellor Kirwan joined CUSF at the meeting and addressed a list of topics prepared by CUSF. Most of the discussion centered on the status of the 2010 CUSF resolutions, specifically on the January 18, 2011 letter from the Chancellor regarding the November 16, 2010 CUSF resolution on collective bargaining. There was a spirited exchange of differing opinions, with ample time left to discuss other important issues such as the USM Budget, the USM Voluntary Separation Plan Ad Hoc Group, and the Strategic Plan.

The CUSF General Body will meet on February 17, 2011 at Bowie State University.

Additional items that CUSF will address for the second half of this academic year include the following:

Academic Freedom

There will be a panel discussion at the March 15, 2011 CUSF General Body Meeting at Coppin State University on academic freedom and panelists include Assistant Attorney General Ann Donahue and University of Delaware Professor Joan Delfattore.

Adjuncts Work Group Final Document

CUSF would like to review the raw data results of the survey of adjuncts, and then address issues such as sustainability, reviews, and grievance procedures at each campus.

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