

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

The CUSF General Body met on April 18, 2011 at the University of Maryland Baltimore County. A resolution was passed in support of the Towson University Parental Leave and Caregiver Policy. The policy proposal, "Parental Leave for Faculty of Towson University", is attached. The resolution is as follows:

CUSF recommends a policy of providing USM faculty members the support they may need in caring for family members. Both the Towson University Parental Leave Policy and the Towson University Caregiver Policy have been approved by the Towson University Senate and are examples of faculty benefits enjoyed elsewhere. CUSF urges the Board of Regents to endorse both as legitimate employment practices for an USM institution.

In addition, revisions were made to the CUSF Bylaws regarding the election process and the elections for CUSF officers were held. The newly elected 2011-2012 CUSF Executive Committee members are as follows:

Chair Joyce Shirazi, University of Maryland University College

Vice Chair Jay Zimmerman, Towson University

Secretary Robert Kauffman, Frostburg State University
At-Large Virletta Bryant, Coppin State University

At-Large Steve Mount, University of Maryland College Park

On April 29, 2011, CUSF co-hosted the New Chairs Workshop with the University System of Maryland in Adelphi.

On May 3, 2011, CUSF sent a letter to Associate Vice Chancellor for Government Relations PJ Hogan, thanking him for his outstanding work during this legislative session.

The CUSF General Body met on May 10, 2011 at the University of Maryland Baltimore and President Jay Perman opened the meeting. Assistant Vice Chancellor for Administration & Finance JoAnn Goedert provided details of the proposed Tuition Remission Amendments and an update on the Voluntary Employee Separation Plan Ad Hoc Group. There was an extended discussion on creating tuition remission for adjunct faculty.

The CUSF General Body will not meet in June 2011. The next CUSF General Body Meeting will be held on September 14, 2011 at the University of Maryland University College.

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