Bargaining Teams to meet on June 12

The Negotiating Teams for the Faculty and the Administration are scheduled to meet for the second time on Thursday, June 12, at 10 a.m.

The first negotiation session took place on May 20. According to Faculty Chief Negotiator Geoff Woolf, the initial meeting was used primarily to discuss the groundrules for future bargaining sessions.

Geoff said that at the June 12 session, the Faculty team plans to bring to the table several articles where the AAUP proposes only minor changes.

“At our first meeting, both teams said we hope to work together so that this year’s negotiations are efficient and successful,” Geoff said.

“By bringing some small contract changes to the table this week, while the term is wrapping up, we are trying to keep the bargaining process moving forward,” Geoff said.

AAUP Chapter President Paul Davis said that the Chapter Executive Committee has been meeting frequently to discuss the recommendations from Bargaining Council committees and work groups, as well as to review the responses to the Faculty Bargaining Issues Survey.

“We’ve had terrific participation from our members,” Paul said. “There’s a lot of information that needs to be discussed and considered before the Executive Committee is able to give the Bargaining Team its complete set of marching orders.”

“I think the Bargaining Teams are comfortable with each other,” Geoff said. “In Summer Term, we should be able to roll up our sleeves and work collaboratively to reach a contract settlement that will benefit the entire College.”

“AAUP Picture Day” on June 23 & 24 seeks to complete faculty online Directory

Any full-time faculty member whose photo is not yet in the online Faculty Directory is invited to the AAUP Office (Main 124) on June 23 and 24 to have their “school picture” taken.

Carla Gesell-Streeter, the AAUP Webmaster and Directory photographer, will be in the AAUP Office from 8 to 10 a.m. both days to take photos.

Coffee and other treats will be available for anyone who visits the AAUP Office while Picture Day is in progress.

The online Faculty Directory is located on the Chapter website at cinstateaaup.org/directory.html.

“We started the online Directory to make it a little easier for faculty members to get to know each other,” Carla said.

“About half of the faculty have their photos on the site,” Carla said. “We hope many others will stop by for a few minutes on the 23rd or 24th so we can add your photo, too.”

Bargaining updates available via AAUP Office Hotline

Starting June 12, faculty members seeking information about the progress of negotiations can call the AAUP Office phone: 513-569-1888.

After each bargaining session is completed, a recorded message will provide a summary of the day’s activities.

Summaries will also be posted on the Chapter website, cinstateaaup.org.
AAUP presents Ken Stoll Scholarship Award

AAUP members celebrated at a luncheon on June 4 where the AAUP Scholarship was presented to this year’s recipient, James York, a student in the Graphic Communications program.

At the luncheon, Chapter President Paul Davis announced that this annual award has been named the Kenneth V. Stoll AAUP Scholarship.

Paul said that in naming the scholarship, the AAUP Chapter is recognizing Ken’s significant contributions to the College.

Ken was an honor student in the College’s first graduating class, and also was in the first group of CTC graduates who transferred to a four-year institution to complete a bachelor’s degree.

Ken returned to the College as a faculty member, and eventually became the Dean of the Engineering Technologies Division.

Later, Ken returned to a role as a full-time faculty member, and was elected to the AAUP Executive Committee. He also served as a member of the Faculty Negotiating Team.

At the luncheon, Ken spoke about the importance of Cincinnati State’s student-centered approach to education, and he “challenged” James and future recipients of the Stoll Scholarship award to bring positive recognition to the College.

The Stoll AAUP Scholarship provides $2,000 to be used for tuition, fees, and books. The scholarship is awarded to a continuing student who has demonstrated academic excellence while attending Cincinnati State.

A committee of AAUP faculty members, chaired by Dr. Ron Craig, reviewed the applications and selected the award recipient.

AAUP Service Committee invites runners & walkers to Hyde Park Blast

Linda Romero Smith, Chair of the AAUP Service Committee, invites Cincinnati State runners and walkers to join their colleagues at the Hyde Park Blast, a 4-mile event on June 28.

Proceeds from this event will support several organizations in the fight against cancer.