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Dear SCFA Colleagues:

For some time the UCSC Faculty Association (SCFA) devoted the majority of its members' dues to the national American Association of University Professors (AAUP), which automatically provided individual AAUP memberships to all SCFA members. In exchange, the AAUP agreed to provide direct staff support to SCFA. Unfortunately, this arrangement proved unworkable for both organizations. SCFA therefore concluded that in order to support its local activities, lobby work at the UC Office of the President (UCOP) and the state capital, and keep members dues rates low, it could no longer financially support the arrangement, despite our continuing support for AAUP's principles and goals. Hence, as of early 2012 SCFA ceased payment of dues to AAUP.

Fortunately, the AAUP decided not to drop SCFA members from its rolls while the two organizations considered alternative options. Many SCFA members and perhaps some former members have continued to receive the AAUP magazine, *Academe*, and other materials from AAUP even though AAUP dues have not been paid. We are now pleased to inform you that AAUP and the Council of U.C. Faculty Associations (CUCFA), in which the SCFA participates, have agreed to a new partnership that will allow the SCFA to reestablish and maintain its connection with the AAUP. Through CUCFA, the SCFA will partner with the AAUP's national level efforts to advocate for the defense and promotion of academic freedom,

shared university governance, and the economic security of all those engaged in teaching and research in higher education. AAUP will also gain from the valuable experience and ideas of CUCFA's members and leadership and from CUCFA's promotion of these goals on the University of California's ten campuses.

Under this new partnership agreement SCFA members will have the opportunity to purchase individual AAUP membership as a supplement to their SCFA membership at special AAUP dues rates available only to members of CUCFA-affiliated UC faculty associations. These rates are: \$119/year (\$9.92/month) for Assistant Professors, \$191/year (\$15.92/month) for Associate Professors, and \$214/year (\$17.80/month) for full Professors.

Individuals who choose this option will continue to receive Academe and AAUP emails (individual members may opt-out of the emails or request to access Academe only online), be entitled to vote and run for office in AAUP national and state elections, be eligible to serve on all AAUP committees, may attend and participate in AAUP's annual conference, Summer Institute, and annual California state meeting as well as all webinars offered by AAUP, and be eligible to receive any additional membership benefits provided by AAUP to its non-collective bargaining members. Such members will also be eligible for any scholarship support offered by AAUP or its California conference to attend these meetings.

We encourage you to supplement your SCFA membership by also becoming an individual member of AAUP. Your previous membership in AAUP will expire as of January 1. You can obtain additional information concerning this new partnership agreement and how to become an AAUP member from our website at: <http://ucscfa.org/join-scfa-and-aaup/> or on the CUCFA website http://cucfa.org/news/2014_oct28.php. Feel free to contact us as scfa.assist@gmail.com if

you have any questions.

Meanwhile we want to assure you that through your membership in the SCFA, you will continue to contribute to CUCFA's and AAUP's joint efforts to monitor and advocate for the protection of faculty interests at UCSC and in California. If you have any questions about this, please do contact us at scfa.assist@gmail.com.

Yours sincerely,
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on behalf of the UCSC Faculty Association

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