

Speakers, Elections, and Revitalization February 24 in St. Louis

The Missouri AAUP Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, February 24 at Webster University in St. Louis. In conjunction with the St. Louis Association for Contingent Faculty (SLACF), the meeting will feature a wide range of topics and speakers. State Senator Rita Days, Truman University colleague David Robinson, and labor historian Richard Schneirov (Indiana State University/AAUP Committee on Contingent Faculty) are scheduled to speak and conduct workshops. In addition, there will be ample time for questions and answers as well as comments and concerns from the floor.

Registration

General sessions are open to all university full- and part-time faculty (whether AAUP members or not), administrators, students, and all friends of academe. A \$20 registration fee includes lunch. To encourage attendance and participation by adjunct faculty, the registration fee will be only \$5 (including regular and vegetarian lunch buffet) for the first 20 adjuncts (and \$20 for the 21st and later registrants).

Conference Pre-Registration

So that we can have an accurate count for lunch and morning coffee, please pre-register for the conference. You can pay at the door, but we need the meal information a few days earlier. Use either of the following:

- AAUP or SLACF can use the stladjuncts.org website for pay-at-the-door, credit cards, or PayPal registration
- or contact meeting host Earl Henry:
phone: 314-383-2409
email: henryea@charter.net

Conference Registration

Full-time faculty \$20 (Includes Lunch)

Adjunct Faculty \$5 (first 20; includes lunch)

In addition, the **first ten adjuncts** to register will receive a complimentary copy of Joe Berry's book, *Reclaiming the Ivory Tower: Organizing Adjuncts to Change Higher Education*.

Meeting Agenda

Coffee, juice, and pastries, courtesy of the American Federation of Teachers (AFT) and the Missouri National Education Association (MNEA) will begin at 9:30am in the Conference Room of the Emerson Library (101 Edgar Road on the Webster campus). Registration will be available all morning in the conference room lobby.

AAUP Business Meeting Includes Elections

In addition to reports and other business items at the February 24 meeting, the Missouri Conference of AAUP will hold an election for officers and executive council members. In September, a conference nominating committee made the following recommendations for 2007-2009:

Nominations for State Conference Officers

President, Keith Hardeman (Westminster College)
Vice-President, David Robinson (Truman State)
Secretary/Treasurer, Nancy Browning (Lincoln University)

Nominations for State Conference Executive Council

Ben Greenspan (University of Missouri/Columbia)
Earl Henry (Webster University)
Barry Talbott (Ozarks Technical College)
Stuart McAninch (University of Missouri/Kansas City)
David Naugler (Southeast Missouri State University)
[John Harms, Immediate Past President]

Additional nominations may be made no later than February 10 by contacting John Harms, Missouri Conference President: JohnHarms@MissouriState.edu. ■

About Richard Schneirov

Professor Schneirov holds a Ph.D. from Northern Illinois University (1984) and has taught at Indiana State since 1989. He is the author of several books including *Labor and Urban Politics: Class Conflict and the Origins of Modern Liberalism in Chicago, 1864-97* (University of Illinois Press, 1998) which won an award for books in the category of North American urban history. Professor Schneirov is on the editorial board of *WorkingUSA: The Journal of Labor and Society*.

In an address entitled "The Rise of Contingency in the Professoriate: Strategies for a Response," Professor Schneirov will give background on the economic, political and other factors leading to the increasing use of contingent faculty in the American academy. He will also focus on strategies for dealing with the issues and problems created by contingency such as how tenured and tenure-track faculty can respond and how contingent faculty can organize.

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Missouri Conference of the American Association of University Professors
St. Louis Association for Contingent Faculty

Conference Room, Emerson Library

9:30 Coffee/Juice/Pastries
Courtesy American Federation of Teachers and
the (Missouri) National Education Association

First General Session

10:00 Welcome
John Harms, AAUP Conference President

10:15 "Higher Education in Missouri"
State Senator Rita Days

11:00 "Collegiality, Contingency, and the Continuation
of Tenure"
David Robinson, Truman State University

12:00 Lunch

Second General Session

12:30 "The Rise of Contingency in the Professoriate:
Strategies for a Response"
Richard Schneirov, Indiana State University

Business Meetings and Workshop

1:30 AAUP Business Meeting and Elections
(AAUP Members)

1:30 SLACF Workshop with Dr. Schneirov
(Sverdrup, Room 116 ■ open attendance)

I-270 south (toward Memphis) about 7 miles to Exit 7, Big Bend Road. Turn left (east) and stay on Big Bend for about 6 miles. When you enter the Webster University campus along Big Bend, Edgar Road will come up quickly on your right. The Emerson Library is the first building on the right facing Edgar and there are several parking lots nearby. Enter the library through the main doors and continue straight ahead past Jazzman's Café to reach the conference room.

If you are coming from the east, follow US 40 (I-64) through downtown St. Louis and take Hanley Road South (Exit 32A). Continue south on Hanley, across Manchester, and turn right on Big Bend. When the road forks in about a mile, stay to the left (Big Bend); Edgar Road is to the left at the next traffic signal (a three-way intersection).

Accommodations

There are several good hotels in the southwest St. Louis area. We are recommending the Holiday Inn (known locally as "The Viking"). This is a full-service facility with a good restaurant and a fitness center. Rooms are available from \$79-\$99 depending on your discounts (AAA, AARP). If you need overnight accommodations, please contact the hotel directly (and, they recommend, fairly soon):

Holiday Inn Southwest ("The Viking")
10709 Watson Rd. St. Louis, MO 63127
314-821-6600 holidayinnstlouis.com

Webster University is located in southwestern St. Louis County at 470 East Lockwood Avenue (St. Louis, MO 63119). The campus is six miles east of I-270 and less than a mile north of I-44 at Elm. From Kansas City (I-70), exit on