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CFA CSUN Chapter Faculty Senate Report

DELEGATES CONVENE AT SEMI-ANNUAL CFA ASSEMBLY

Faculty delegates from each CSU campus gathered at the Bonaventure Hotel in Los Angeles this past weekend for the semi-annual CFA Assembly and to mark a milestone- 30 years of our faculty union.

It was 1983 when CSU faculty voted to have the California Faculty Association as their collective bargaining representative on all 23 CSU campuses.

CFA President Lillian Taiz said, "Through these decades our members have built a strong and vital union. We have fought the good fight for our faculty, our students and our campuses by becoming a strong voice for quality public higher education. My congratulations for 30 amazing years go to every CFA member current and past, every ally in another union, every student who has stood with us, and every Californian who speaks out for the CSU."

Assembly delegates discussed various strategies to support bargaining that will commence in the not so distance future.

Delegates from CSUN were Nate Thomas, Cecile Bendavid, Jennifer Quinonez-Skinner, Theresa Montano, Roberta Orona-Cordova, Dave Ballard, and Antonio Gallo.

CSUN CFA MEMBERSHIP BLITZ

CFA CSUN Chapter Membership and Organizing Team, lead by Erik Goldner and Ana Prata, have been busy recruiting new members on our campus in a CFA statewide effort. The more members represent strength at the bargaining table and to the CSU Management. Since March 2013, the CSUN Chapter has welcomed 200 new members. If you're not a member- Erik, Ana or another activist will be visiting you!

CFA ENDORSED CANDIDATES RE-ELECTED TO CalPERS BOARD

The CFA endorsed candidates for Member-At-Large seats on the CalPERS Board of Administration—Joseph (J.J.) Jelincic and Michael Bilbrey—were re-elected by strong margins. Their four-year terms begin January 16.

CalPERS is the largest public pension fund in the U.S. with more than \$265 billion in assets. It administers health and retirement benefits on behalf of 3,064 public school, local agency and state employers, including the CSU. There are more than 1.6 million members in the retirement system and more than 1.3 million in health plans.