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AAUP-CSU URGES SUPPORT FOR RESOLUTION ON BUDGET PRIORITIES

For one of the few times in the living memory of most current faculty, the CSU Faculty Council has the opportunity to make a strong independent statement in support of reasonable budgetary priorities to guide administrative and governing board decision-making. As most CSU faculty who have been at the university for five years or more are aware, faculty concerns with the increase in university spending on athletics, some of this driven by the extraordinary investments in the new on-campus stadium, were largely ignored by the past administration. As the budget resolution before Faculty Council indicates, and as the administration's own data show, the subsidies to athletics have nearly doubled over the past decade. A substantial slice of subsidy growth has been shouldered by university students, many of whom had little say in the decision to add to their college expenses. At a time when so many of our students are heavily laden with debt it is hard to make a reasonable case for gratuitously burdening them with what is a discretionary and non-essential expense.

With a new administration on the Oval this an opportune moment to send a resounding message to our new president, Joyce McConnell, and the Board of Governors, that CSU faculty are deeply concerned with our current budgetary trajectory and its adverse effect on our core academic mission and the financial well-being of our student body.

Please vote in support of the Faculty Council Resolution on Budget Priorities!!!

Text of Resolution:

- (1) WHEREAS instructional spending per student at CSU has remained flat, after accounting for inflation, since 2009;
- (2) WHEREAS athletic subsidies have almost doubled during this same period, amounting to \$25.4 million in FY18;1
- (3) WHEREAS \$5.9 million of these subsidies came from student athletic fees that raised the cost of attendance;1
- (4) WHEREAS Faculty Council believes that more resources should be devoted to CSU's primary academic mission without increasing tuition and fees;
- (5) BE IT RESOLVED that Faculty Council urges the CSU administration to significantly reduce athletic program subsidies, and to use the savings to support the university's primary academic mission.

DATA SOURCES FOR RESOLUTION ON BUDGET PRIORITIES

I. Instructional spending per student

Source: IPEDS, the federal data depository on higher education, online at <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/>

Academic Year	Total Instructional Spending	Unduplicated 12-Month Headcount	Instructional Spending per Student	Consumer Price Index	Instructional Spending per Student Adjusted for Inflation (2010\$)
2010	\$235,517,460	33,712	\$6,986	218.1	\$6,986
2011	\$230,915,245	33,232	\$6,949	224.9	\$6,738
2012	\$241,907,988	33,222	\$7,282	229.6	\$6,917
2013	\$259,510,686	34,814	\$7,454	233.0	\$6,978
2014	\$285,617,369	35,263	\$8,100	236.7	\$7,463
2015	\$314,758,087	35,449	\$8,879	237.0	\$8,171
2016	\$270,439,490	36,966	\$7,316	240.0	\$6,648
2017	\$284,593,336	37,676	\$7,554	245.1	\$6,722

II. Athletic budget

Source: NCAA, online at <https://sports.usatoday.com/ncaa/finances/>

Note: athletic subsidy = student fees + school funds

Fiscal Year	Ticket Sales	Contributions	Rights / Licensing	Student Fees	School Funds	Other	Total Revenues
2009	\$3,388,432	\$2,450,295	\$6,439,919	\$3,994,499	\$7,991,299	\$1,934,935	\$26,199,379
2010	\$2,473,093	\$2,413,095	\$5,620,400	\$4,774,723	\$8,570,344	\$2,700,728	\$26,552,383
2011	\$2,929,003	\$2,970,589	\$6,983,390	\$4,938,165	\$9,190,546	\$2,361,090	\$29,372,783
2012	\$3,110,038	\$3,386,161	\$6,696,740	\$5,008,595	\$9,913,647	\$2,687,698	\$30,802,879
2013	\$2,975,705	\$4,935,167	\$6,317,638	\$5,080,119	\$12,933,824	\$2,549,473	\$34,791,926
2014	\$3,342,818	\$6,097,730	\$6,071,100	\$5,264,541	\$14,764,823	\$3,198,653	\$38,739,665
2015	\$3,880,855	\$3,761,499	\$7,521,467	\$5,543,568	\$14,869,005	\$2,874,809	\$38,451,203
2016	\$4,155,558	\$3,307,918	\$7,817,743	\$5,747,681	\$16,501,293	\$2,237,170	\$39,767,363
2017	\$4,231,475	\$3,740,779	\$11,476,487	\$5,843,347	\$17,421,891	\$1,958,338	\$44,672,317
2018	\$5,791,080	\$7,324,738	\$12,494,582	\$5,871,750	\$20,074,172	\$3,172,492	\$54,728,814

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Campus Equity Week 2019

The Gig is Up: Campus Equity Now

**CSU Football
Coach Mike Bobo
makes
\$1,800,000.00
per year**

**CSU President
Joyce McConnell
makes \$550,000**

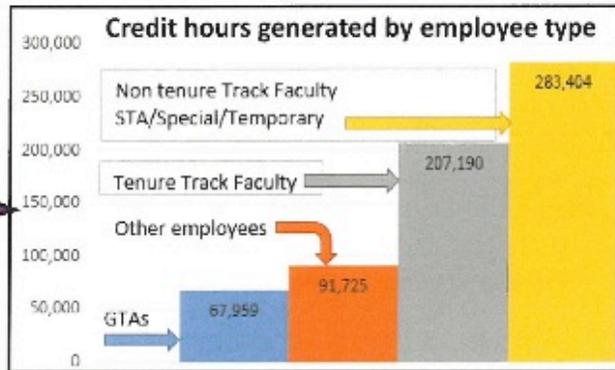
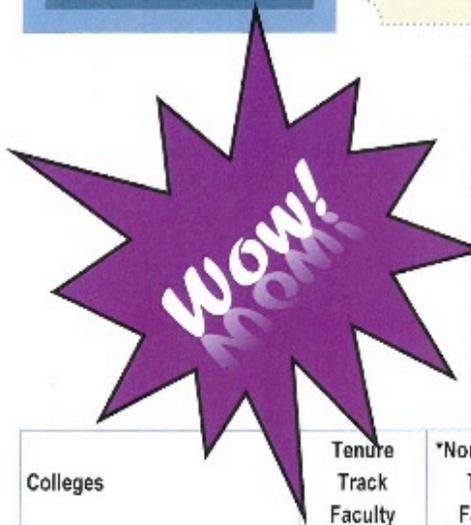
29 “instructors” in the College of Business make a
COMBINED salary of \$828,777!

46 English “instructors” in the College of Liberal Arts make a
COMBINED salary of \$1,856,402!

CSU is a Land Grant University

The **MISSION OF THE LAND GRANT UNIVERSITY** at CSU came into existence as part of Lincoln and Morrill’s dream to make a great college education available to every American. Have we lost sight of our assigned mission?

Do our compensation priorities appropriately reflect this lofty goal?



Colleges	Tenure Track Faculty	*Non Tenure Track Faculty	Total Faculty	% of Faculty off the tenure track	These numbers DO NOT include Graduate Teaching Assistants, Administrative Professionals, or other employees who may also teach *Senior Teaching Appointments/Special/Temporary faculty
Health & Human Sciences	116	149	265	56%	
Liberal Arts	247	308	555	55%	
Business	65	69	134	51%	
CVMSB	174	88	262	33%	
Natural Sciences	180	66	246	27%	
Agricultural Science	114	33	147	22%	
Natural Resources	75	18	93	19%	
Engineering	123	21	144	14%	

Information from: <https://accountability.colostate.edu/> & <https://www.ir.colostate.edu/data-reports/fact-publications/factbook/>

COLORADO CONFERENCE STATEWIDE NEWS UPDATE:

- During Campus Equity Week (October 23-31) adjunct faculty at Front Range Community College, the Community College of Denver, and the Colorado Conference's Community College Project distributed flyers and posters at FRCC's Westminster campus detailing adverse working conditions and substandard compensation.
- The Colorado Conference submitted a funding proposal to the national AAUP requesting support for shared governance conference focused on the faculty relationship with governing boards at public and private universities in Colorado. If funded this event will be held in late spring 2020.
- Regis University faculty are reviving their AAUP chapter ten years after their AAUP affiliated faculty union disbanded in the face of a successful administrative initiative to kill the union.
- Geosciences professor Marcelo Simoes, president of the AAUP chapter at the Colorado School of Mines, was elected to serve on the executive committee of the national AAUP's Assembly of State Conferences.
- Caprice Lawless, president of Front Range Community College's AAUP Chapter and head of the Conference's Community College Project, was re-elected to a two-year term as 2nd Vice-President of the AAUP.
- The Colorado Conference is taking the initiative to oppose the recent trend at Colorado public universities to declassify professional college librarians as faculty. Thus far both Adams State University and the Colorado School of Mines have moved in this direction.

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To join AAUP and our CSU chapter, sign up at the national AAUP site:

<https://www.aaup.org/membership/join>

MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE AAUP-CSU CHAPTER

December 4, 2019, 12-1, LSC 380

Ways to Become Involved

Strategies to Increase and Diversify Membership

Ideas to Enhance our Chapter’s Role and Activities

Please contact any of the officers for questions and ideas for the agenda