



NEWS UPDATE: October 5, 2010

No Retrenchment at Millersville, IUP, and Lock Haven in 2011-12!

Faculty members at Millersville, IUP and Lock Haven have a reason to be positive today, as management at those three institutions have notified local APSCUF chapters that retrenchment will not be necessary in 2011-12.

The messages were sent to faculty from Millersville President Francine G. McNairy, Interim IUP President David Werner, and Lock Haven University President Barbara Dixon intended for all faculty.

All three communications identify the reason as changes in their planning and budgeting and McNairy and Dixon cite cooperation with faculty as central to discussions and this resolution.

“We’re very happy about this news,” State APSCUF President Steve Hicks said.

“Our local APSCUF leadership, led by IUP president Susan Drummond, Lock Haven president Mark Cloud & Millersville president Howard Ellis, and their respective M&D teams and Exec Councils, have worked hard to turn around this challenge to their chapter integrity. The State Meet & Discuss team, lead by Dr. Cloud, have put in extra hours of work, too, due to this effort. Their efforts have produced positive results.”

“But, despite this good news, we cannot be happy with the spectre of retrenchment looming yet over four of our institutions.”

“Faculty at Mansfield have received personal notice of the intent to retrench them. It is our challenge to make sure all those people have the mark of retrenchment removed from them and the universities move forward with positive plans for the future,” Hicks continued.

Kutztown was the first PASSHE school to inform the union, in March, of their intent to retrench; Shippensburg has also provided formal notification.

According to the collective bargaining agreement, tenured faculty must be notified by October 30 to be dismissed for the Fall 2011 semester.

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