Welcome Erin Clark, Business Manager:
CSU
Filson, Director of Member Services.

Your executive officers were very busy this summer conducting searches for the two staff positions. We successfully hired Ms. Erin Clark as Business Manager, and Mr. Paul Filson, Director of Member Services on September 21, 2017. Please see their bios below.

In the past six months, the Connecticut State University (CSU) system has gone through significant changes as a result of the Connecticut State Employee Bargaining Collective Agreement (SEBAC) and the Connecticut State Employee Pension Collective Agreement (Pension). In addition, the Connecticut General Assembly passed Public Act 75 of 2017, which became effective on July 1, 2017. This law eliminated the State Employees Retirement System (SERS) and created the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System (CSERS). The law also increased the retirement age from 65 to 67 and raised the retirement age for the first time in decades, which is a significant change.

The SEBAC agreement also included a freeze on wages, which means that employees will not receive any increase in their base salary for the foreseeable future. The agreement also included changes to the pension system, including a reduction in the benefit formula from 2.5% to 2%, and a reduction in the number of years required for full benefit eligibility from 25 to 15 years.

Despite these changes, the CSU system remains committed to providing high-quality education to its students. The University is working to ensure that our faculty and staff have the resources they need to continue providing exceptional service to our students.

Learn How to Lobby with Gallo & Robinson:

The Connecticut Lobbying Conference

The Connecticut Lobbying Conference is a great opportunity for anyone interested in learning about the art of lobbying. The conference is organized by veteran lobbying firm Gallo & Robinson and is designed to provide attendees with the tools and knowledge they need to be effective lobbyists.

The conference will feature workshops covering a wide range of topics, including legislative research, public relations, and fundraising. It will also include sessions on the art of persuasion and the use of media in lobbying efforts.

With the conference’s focus on practical, hands-on training, attendees will gain valuable skills that they can use in their professional careers. The conference is open to anyone interested in learning more about the art of lobbying, regardless of their level of experience.

The Connecticut Lobbying Conference will be held on Wednesday, August 8, 2018, at the Hartford Convention Center. Registration is open now, and early-bird rates are available until July 31, 2018.

The conference is organized by Gallo & Robinson, a leading lobbying firm based in New York City.

CSC-AUAP Welcomes Paul Flax, Director of Member Services:

Paul Flax has been named Director of Member Services for the Connecticut State University (CSU) AAUP Chapter (CSC-AUAP). Flax has extensive experience in higher education and will be responsible for representing the interests of AAUP members at the state and local level.

Flax will work closely with the AAUP chapter to ensure that the needs of the members are represented and that the chapter is effectively advocating for the interests of all AAUP members. He will also work to ensure that the chapter is well-prepared to respond to any challenges that may arise.

CSC-AUAP Welcomes Eric Clark, Business Manager:

Eric Clark has been named Business Manager for the Connecticut State University (CSU) AAUP Chapter (CSC-AUAP). Clark has extensive experience in higher education and will be responsible for managing the day-to-day operations of the chapter.

Clark will work closely with the AAUP chapter to ensure that the needs of the members are represented and that the chapter is effectively advocating for the interests of all AAUP members. He will also work to ensure that the chapter is well-prepared to respond to any challenges that may arise.

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