



THIS WEEK'S FACEBOOK QUESTION: What do you think of the proposed tuition increase at CSU?

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Higher Education Consolidation Committee Meeting on 1/24

The Higher Education Consolidation Committee, consisting of legislators from the Higher Education and Appropriations Committees, is charged with overseeing the consolidation of CSU, the Community-Technical Colleges, and Charter Oak. The Committee has a meeting scheduled on January 24 at 2pm in the Legislative Office Building.

At the previous meeting it was stated that the Committee plans to hear from CSU and the Board of Regents at its January 24 meeting. It was also noted that the public can ask questions by emailing Committee members (email Senator Bye [here](#)).

Following the December 20 Board of Regents meeting, twenty-four top administrative positions from the systems were eliminated; eight of these positions were from CSU and sixteen from the community-technical colleges. Read more on this story from the *Connecticut Mirror* [here](#). The savings are estimated to amount to \$5 million.

The Board of Regents also recommended a 3.8 percent increase in tuition and fees at the four Connecticut State Universities this week, which is on the [agenda](#) for the BOR meeting on Thursday, January 19.

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Upcoming Event: Collective Bargaining Congress East Coast Regional Meeting

The fifth annual East Coast AAUP-CBC Regional Meeting will be taking place on Saturday, February 11 and representatives from AAUP Chapters in Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont will attend.

Workshops will be held from 10:30am to 4:30 pm and will include topics such as relating shared governance and collective bargaining, organizing new collective bargaining units, and diagnosing an institution's financial health.