

March 18, 2008

## Campus Community:

You are invited to attend a Campus-wide Budget Meeting on Tuesday, March 25, 2008, 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Titan Student Union, Portola Pavilions. Due to extraordinary cuts proposed to the CSU budget, faculty and staff unions, students, and the campus administration have agreed to work together to advocate that the Governor and Legislature consider alternative solutions to the state's fiscal challenges. We invite you to join us in our commitment to preserve access to affordable, high-quality education at Cal State Fullerton and throughout the California State University.

Specifically, to close a projected \$16 billion deficit, the Governor has proposed a 2008-09 state budget with across-the-board spending cuts. The \$386.1 million reduction proposed for the CSU comes only three years after deep cuts of more than \$500 million, from which we have not yet recovered. Those cuts resulted in significant reductions in student access and a dramatic increase in student fees. The new cuts proposed by the Governor, if approved by the Legislature, will have profound implications for the CSU, our students, the economy, and the future of California.

The CSU simply cannot absorb the proposed budget reductions without seriously impacting our ability to deliver our mission. There is still time to stop the cuts. We ask you to join us in sending a strong message to the Governor and the Legislature: Because the CSU is the solution to California's troubled economy, we must fund the CSU budget!

We look forward to seeing you at the campus-wide budget meeting and working collaboratively to advocate for the restoration of cuts to the CSU budget.

Sincerely,

Milton A. Gordon, President
Dr. Diana Guerin, Chair, Academic Senate
Ms. Heather Williams, President, Associated Students, Inc.
Dr. Mougo Nyaggah, Chapter President, California Faculty Association
Jay Jimenez, President/Chief Steward, CSUF Chapter, CSUEU
Janette Hyder, Chief Steward, CSUF Chapter, Academic Professionals of California
Peter Dupree, Chief Steward, CSUF University Police Association

\*\*\* Please note: To promote full campus participation without disrupting services, vice presidents, deans, and department heads are asked to encourage employees to attend the meeting and keep only limited staff on duty to conduct essential business.