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#### **CSU Employees Union Responds to CSU Board of Trustees' November 16 Actions**

**November 22, 2011 (Sacramento, Calif.)** – The California State University Employees Union released the following comments today in the wake of the CSU Board of Trustees' November 16 closed meeting:

“The CSU may well have violated the Bagley-Keene Act in taking action in a closed meeting that should have been public. We’re aware of several members of the public and at least one reporter who were excluded from the meeting.

“Students and community members were there to say, ‘Tax banks and the rich, not students through another tuition increase.’ Instead of engaging in a productive dialogue, the Trustees chose to meet in secret and pass a tuition increase. Employees and students alike want the trustees to engage in a real dialogue and to join the campaign to increase state revenues by taxing those corporations and wealthy individuals who are not paying their fair share.”

“We call for the trustees to set aside Wednesday’s tuition vote and to re-consider the tuition increase at a meeting at which students and the public have the opportunity to express opposition to increases at a time when banks post record profits and the wealthy accumulate more income than at any point in the last 30 years.

“The trustees and chancellor must learn from this and must allow the public better access to their meetings in the future.”

#### **About CSUEU**

Incorporated in 2005 after serving its members as a division of the California State Employees Association for more than 70 years, the California State University Employees Union ([www.csueu.org](http://www.csueu.org)) has built up a rich record of achievements on behalf of its approximately 15,000 represented employees. Today it represents classified staff members at the California State University’s 23 campuses, as well as the Office of the Chancellor, encompassing such diverse job categories as registered nurses, custodians, groundswokers, library assistants, graphic specialists, information technology consultants and performing arts technicians, among many others.



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