

**Call for Presentation Proposals**  
**AAUP Oklahoma State Conference— 2015 Annual Meeting**  
**Saturday, April 11 from 9:00 to 4:00**

**Hosted by the Southeastern Oklahoma State University Chapter of the AAUP**  
**At Southeastern Oklahoma State University in Durant, Oklahoma**

**Meeting Theme: The Centennial Year: A Historical Look at AAUP Principles and the  
Future of College and University Teaching**

The AAUP principles of academic freedom, tenure, shared governance, and the university as a public good, have been forged in the experiences of the Association's one-hundred year history. Battles over these principles have been waged and arguments have been marshaled. Clarifications have been offered and critiques have been lodged. Gains have been achieved and losses have been suffered. The principles are dynamic, evolving, and contested. The contests will continue and the results will vary.

These principles are at the heart of AAUP's mission and we are committed to working for their fuller realization at our colleges and universities, at the state level, and nationwide. We are calling for presentation proposals on the AAUP principles, with a special emphasis on their temporal dimensions.

There will be three sessions, each featuring three, ten to fifteen-minute presentations. If you have a proposal that doesn't fit neatly with one of the session themes, don't worry. Send us your proposal and we'll try our best to find a session for you.

**Session Descriptions**

**I. Remember**

*"Yes, the long memory is the most radical idea in this country. It is the loss of that long memory which deprives our people of that connective flow of thoughts and events that clarifies our vision, not of where we're going, but where we want to go." Bruce "Utah" Phillips*

Draw from the deep wells of history (of AAUP, its founders, its leaders, its principles and accomplishments) to provide lessons, insights and inspiration for your university, for colleges and universities in the state, and for higher education nationwide.

**II. Discern**

*"Deadlines and commitments--what to leave in, what to leave out," Bob Seger*

To choose wisely, to engage in timely action, and to make the right call, can make or break us. Our decisions—at their best—are informed by a careful reading of the past and inspired by a hopeful expectation for the future. Bring us your ideas for rhetorical action, your strategies for political engagement, and your proposals for educational policy and practice to achieve a greater realization of AAUP principles.

### III. Imagine

*“Do not go where the path may lead; go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.”*  
Ralph Waldo Emerson

Consider Israel Scheffler’s words for educational policy makers: “Policy decision . . . involves both memory and imagination, judging some recalled past. In this respect, policy is a species of time-binding, like all action.” We are historical characters. Share with us your imaginative vision for your university, for colleges and universities at the state level, and for higher education nationwide. Let us look forward to history, together.

#### **Proposal Submission Procedures**

- **Proposals should include:**
  - **Session (I, II, or III)**
  - **Title of proposal**
  - **A brief description of the proposed talk**
  - **Also include author’s name, institutional affiliation, and position**
  
- **Email proposals to Carolyn Fridley: [cfridley@se.edu](mailto:cfridley@se.edu)**
  
- **Proposal deadline: Saturday, March 28, 2015.**
  
- **Proposals will be reviewed by the SE Chapter Conference Committee**
  
- **Proposal authors will be notified by March 30 as to whether or not the presentation will be included at the conference.**