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2012 Shared Governance Conference

The AAUP hosted its annual Shared Governance Conference from October 26 through 28, 2012, in Washington DC. Speakers included Rudy Fichtenbaum, president of the AAUP, Larry Gerber, chair of the AAUP's Committee on College and University Governance; Robert Kreiser and Greg Scholtz of the AAUP's national office, Rick Legon, president of the Association of Governing Boards, and George Cohen, chair of the University of Virginia's faculty senate, who spoke about UVA's president, Teresa Sullivan, being removed and then reinstated.

150 people from around the country attended the conference. Among the workshops for senate leaders that were offered by AAUP's Committee on College and University Government were sessions on how to make senates more effective, the role of contingent faculty in shared governance, and the role of faculty when administrations decide to end programs for reasons of financial exigency. Paper presentation topics included current challenges facing shared governance at Rutgers-Camden, the California State University system, and the City University of New York.

You can read President Rudy Fichtenbaum's presentation about strong faculty governance [here](#).