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Dear All—

On April 13, 2007 members of the DU faculty established a campus chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP). I've been reporting about this

initiative in the *Faculty Forum* weblog in Portfolio Community, which is accessible to everyone who has faculty status. Interested faculty also attended an on-campus meeting with national and state AAUP representatives last February 8. That meeting produced the required number of faculty to start a chapter. We have a couple dozen current or soon-to-be AAUP members in the group, and they are distributed across 9 schools and divisions. At the April 13 meeting we approved the attached by-laws, talked about why a local chapter would be good for us, and elected the following officers and Executive Committee members:

President: Dean Saitta, Anthropology.

Vice President: Scott Leutenegger, Computer Science.

Secretary/Treasurer: Deb Grealy, College of Education.

Executive Committee At-Large member: Roberto Corrada, Law.

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The next step is to inform the Administration of the chapter's establishment, which accounts for this email to all of you. The national AAUP says the following about administrative notice (<http://www.aaup.org/AAUP/involved/startchapter/all-about-start.htm>):

*Once members of the chapter are adequately informed on the aims of the Association and of their own chapter, they or their representatives should inform the administration about the formation of the chapter. In most instances, administrative officers will encourage this development and welcome the professionalism it represents. Some administrators may wish to know more about the Association from the local representatives, or may express interest in receiving copies of Association publications. In any case, members of the group should explain the professional nature of the organization and impress upon the administration that the chapter supports efforts to advance the standards of the institution.*

The AAUP's website contains more information. I'd be happy to say more about the chapter at the Council meeting next week.

Cheers,  
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