

# *E-NEWS: URI/AAUP PART-TIME FACULTY UNITED!*

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**SPECIAL ISSUE**

**To:** URI Part-Time Faculty

**From:** *E-NEWS* Newsletter Committee, Jane Berard, Noel-Anne Brennan, Robert Leuci, Deborah Perlman

**Subject:** Letter from Professor Donnelly, Chair, URI/AAUP Committee on Protections for Part-Time Faculty

Dear URI Part-Time/Adjunct Faculty Colleagues,

**GOOD NEWS!** I'm extremely pleased to inform you that we have received sufficient signed authorization forms to move forward in the effort to establish a collective bargaining unit for URI's part-time faculty members.

We will meet with officers of the national AAUP Collective Bargaining Congress, the national committee that works with local chapters when they are establishing their own individual collective bargaining units, at the annual meeting of the National AAUP in Washington, DC, June 7-10. Following that meeting we plan to submit an application to the Rhode Island Labor Relations Board (RILRB) requesting permission for the URI part-time faculty to conduct a general election vote (yes/no) regarding unionization of part-time faculty at URI. We expect to apply to the RILRB in mid-June

**WONDERFUL NEWS! We will keep you posted as the process toward unionization for URI's part-time faculty moves forward.**

Sincerely yours,

Dorothy F. Donnelly, PhD  
Chair, Committee on Protections for URI's Part-Time Faculty

