AAUP FOUNDATION

Mary Burgan Fund Guidelines

In honor of Mary Burgan’s service as General Secretary of the Association from 1994-2004, the predecessor AAUP Council established the Burgan Fund for the General Secretary.

The AAUP Foundation is organized exclusively for such education and charitable purposes as shall qualify it for exemption from federal taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, including but not limited to, establishing and supporting principles of academic freedom and the quality of higher education in a free and democratic society; and shall be operated exclusively to promote the charitable and educational functions of the AAUP. The Burgan Fund furthers this charitable purpose by supporting travel to meetings or conferences addressing issues of concern in the areas of higher education, research, and the standards, ideals, and welfare of the profession. The AAUP Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization and, as such, all contributions to the Fund may be treated as a charitable contribution for tax purposes.

Fund Guidelines:

- Funds from the Burgan Fund shall be used to subsidize travel by AAUP staff or members to meetings or conferences addressing issues of concern in the areas of higher education, research, and the standards, ideals, and welfare of the profession.

- The decision to subsidize such travel from the Burgan Fund shall be at the discretion of the Executive Director, with approval by the AAUP Foundation Board of Directors. The AAUP Foundation Guidelines must be followed.

- Because the Association ceased to engage in international travel, and as permitted by the Guidelines in place when contributions had been made to the Fund, the AAUP Foundation Board of Directors determined by a majority vote to allow use of the Burgan Fund for travel for meetings or conferences addressing issues of concern in the areas of higher education, research, and the standards, ideals and welfare of the profession.

- Should the Association cease to engage in travel to meetings or conferences that meet the purposes herein, the AAUP Foundation Board of Directors shall determine by majority vote, the proper alternative use for the Burgan Fund in compliance with applicable law.