Rally to Defend ALL Faculty, Librarians and Academic Professionals--
Tomorrow, 3-4 p.m. Sullivan Hall

Tomorrow, members of TAUP along with our student and community allies will rally from 3-4 p.m. outside Sullivan Hall, where the Board of Trustees is meeting. One part of our message: It’s TIME to offer Temple’s 1400+ adjuncts a fair contract! We have been bargaining for a year now, and although we have made progress on some issues, we are still far apart on such key matters as pay and job security.

But more is at stake here than a fair contract for 50+% of the faculty who are part-time. Next year, the contract covering full-time members of TAUP expires, and we need to start showing solidarity NOW. That way, the administration will have to take our demands seriously when we come to the table for a contract covering ALL of us. They will have to listen as we continue to fight back against a warped set of priorities that:

- can find money for football stadiums but not for faculty salaries;
- puts us under the thumb of a new budget system that in the name of misplaced austerity undermines our mission to teach, do research, and serve the community;
- continues to erode faculty governance in the name of administrative diktats.

This is a fight for OUR TEMPLE, our vision of what Temple can, should, and must be.

For us to succeed in that fight, we must show the strength of our numbers and raise our voice so that the Board can hear us. Please come join us tomorrow. IT’s TIME!

In Solidarity,

Steve Newman
TAUP President

p. s. It’s also time to celebrate Art Hochner for his decades of invaluable leadership. Please join us for a celebration from 4:15-6:30 p.m. tomorrow in the President's Room of the Diamond Club. RSVP to taupaft@gmail.com.