

AFSCME Members Storm the Offices of Regent Blum

Demanding He End Poverty at UC



Friday, Jan. 16: 60 workers and students took over and occupied UC Board of Regents Chairman Richard Blum's private San Francisco office demanding he and President Mark Yudof end poverty wages for service workers once and for all. Storming into his locked offices, members marched and chanted "Living in poverty is not fun, Richard Blum get it done!"

When members and students refused the leave Blum's personal office, 19 non-violent arrests were made for trespassing-- signaling to Regent Blum and others that we are stepping our actions up until they end poverty at UC.

Earlier this week, at locations statewide, members also testified about UC's misplaced priorities during a special Regents' teleconference. As Pres. Yudof announced his plan for an executive wage freeze, members repeatedly reminded him that we— *the lowest paid*—have already had a wage freeze for more than a year!

Contact your MAT leader to find out about the next actions planned at your campus to keep the pressure on for a fair contract that end poverty at UC!

"Why is it that UC's leadership has been able to find the funds to give \$14.5 Million in increased wages and bonuses for executives but they can't find the funds to raise wages for the lowest paid workers and get them out of poverty? Shame on UC for becoming the Wal-Mart of Higher Education." -Lakesha Harrison, President



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