Motion: The importance of the UCU Cymru rally on 4th February

UCU Cymru Rally, 4th February 2025, 12:30pm

The branch notes that Higher Education in Wales is under threat because of the impact of marketisation, which has led to a broken funding regime.

Every £1 invested in universities across Wales generates over £13 to the economy. We play a vital role in supporting growth and innovation. We bring prestige to our communities, schools and local business. Faced with restructuring, voluntary severance, pay freezes and the risk of compulsory redundancies, it is staff and learners who bear the brunt.

UCU Cymru has organised a rally outside Senedd on 4th February at 12:30pm.

Cardiff University branch of UCU recognises the importance of this rally, which will ask Welsh Government to provide £60M stabilising funding for the sector. The request to Cardiff University management will be the need to maintain staff wellbeing and morale by stepping back from wholesale cuts to staffing.

The branch resolves to communicate with all of its membership and beyond, to impress upon all the importance of attending the rally.

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Proposed: Dr Chris Graves, Seconded: