

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STUDENT RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION COMMITTEE

I. DATE: April 30, 1986
TO: Ken Wilson, Faculty Senate Chair
FROM: Scott J. Parker, Chair

II. Membership of the Committee

Mohammed Ahrari
Glen Chappell
Craig Lehman, Vice Chair
Scott Parker, Chair
James Pinkney
Susan Smith, Secretary
Student Member: David Tambling

Ex-Officio Members:

Charles Seeley
William Cobb
Elmer Meyer

III. Committee Meetings (dates and members absent)

August 21, 1985	Seeley, Bailey
September 4, 1985	Lehman, Cobb
October 2, 1985	Lehman
November 13, 1985	Bailey, Tambling
January 15, 1986	None
February 5, 1986	Tambling
April 2, 1986	Meyer, Smith

IV. Date of reports to the Faculty Senate during the year.

NONE

V. Specific instructions from Faculty Senate.

Ken Wilson requested the Committee's input regarding the computer registration problems which occurred during summer orientation.

VI. Brief statement of committee organization, activities, etc.

1. Scott Parker appointed an Ad Hoc Committee to design an orientation course for Freshmen. Mohammed Ahrari was appointed as Chair of the committee.
2. The Committee requested Deans Bailey and Speier to draft recommendations for the improvement of faculty advising during the orientation period.

3. The Committee investigated several methods to improve faculty advising throughout the school year.

VII. List of Committee accomplishments.

1. The Ad Hoc Committee developed a complete new course proposal: "The Freshman And The University - ECU 1000." The proposal was reviewed by the entire committee, The General College Committee, Vice-Chancellor Volpe and faculty representatives from Health and Library Science departments respectively. After making several changes in the course proposal Dr. Ahrari was requested to present the proposal to the University Curriculum Committee for their consideration.
2. The committee reviewed the Bailey/Speier recommendations for orientation advising, concurred with it and recommended to Bailey and Speier that they implement the proposal.
3. After a lengthy study of several proposals to improve faculty advising including the implementation of freshman mid-semester grade distribution to advisors and the Academic Support and Assistance Program (ASAP) currently in use at the University of South Carolina, none of the proposals were endorsed by the committee.

VIII. Citations of Senate resolutions.

NONE

IX. Proposals and/or business to be carried over next year.

The committee will oversee the progress of University Review of the freshman orientation course.

The committee continues to believe its attention is best spent on a concentration of student retention. Consequently, it intends to investigate improvement of faculty advising.

X. Evaluation of the committee.

- A - Structure - appropriate
- B - Duties - appropriate
- C - Functions - appropriate
- D - Personnel - appropriate

The committee would like to express its thanks to a number of university staff and faculty who, though they were not committee members, worked very hard on committee projects, attending meetings and advising. Chief among three individuals is Ray Edwards who was the chief architect for the freshman orientation course. Also of great help were Inez Fridley, Ron Speier, Pam Penland and Gil Moore.

XI. Suggests for improving the effectiveness of the committee.

NONE

Chairperson _____

Secretary _____