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94th Meeting of the Faculty Assembly, September 22, 1995

Chair Peter Petschauer called the meeting to order at 1:32 in the Conference room of the General Administration Building in Chapel Hill. The meeting began with a presentation from President Spangler. President Spangler discussed the recent General Assembly actions. He was particularly concerned with the authority given to UNC and NCSU to increase their tuition's. Spangler said that this tuition for faculty salary increases will divide students from the faculty and faculty from faculty. He called this tax on students to pay faculty salaries a "Faustian Swap" There followed a discussion of this issue with the Assembly at which time Hough presented the ECU Faculty Senate's Resolution 95-34 which opposes such practice. Discussion continued with debate from the UNC representatives at which time Spangler cut off debate refusing to debate this issue with members of the UNC-CH faculty. President Spangler was clearly disturbed by the potential impact of this practice and it's possible negative effect on the UNC system.

Spangler continued discussing the soon to be system wide policy on relationships between students and faculty. Six schools currently have such a policy. He noted that a Commission has been established to investigate the situation at the School of the Arts.

Spangler introduced VP for Finance, Bill McCoy. McCoy gave highlights of the Budget actions most of which addressed capital improvements and repairs.

Bill Little, VP Academic Affairs addressed the activities of the Board of Governors. The General Administration has been directed to monitor teaching, both quality and quantity. He also discussed that the NC Teachers Academy has been moved from the Department of Public Instruction to the Board of Governors.

The Legislature continues to look at time to graduate, as well as funding on a 15 hr. FTE basis rather then the current 12 hr. FTE basis.

D.G. Martin, discussed the Legislature regarding funding, particularly attention given to library inflation figures and increases in repair and renovation funds, and reduction in the reversion rate (down to 2%).

Chair Petchauer resumed the Chair at 3:05 and discussed issues of tenure policy, and student-faculty relations.

An election took place placing Hough as Parliamentarian. Plenary Session ended at 3:15. Committees met the remainder of the afternoon.

Plenary Session Two began at 7:15 with Committee Reports.

Planning and Programs, Pamela Hunter, NCA&T This year the Committee will discuss the topics of, Low Productivity Programs, Academic Calendar, and the Legislative Study Commissions findings.

Governance, George Bailey, ECU

This year's priority will be to, develop a statement of principle regarding relations between students and faculty, review Assembly By-Laws, and discuss the current Board of Governors documents on Appeals of Grievances and Due Process.

Academic Freedom and Tenure, Frank Edens, NCSU This Committee plans to focus on two main issues; the Board of Governors Code on academic freedom and tenure, and professional ethics.

Faculty Welfare, Jim Nicholl, WCU

Presented a resolution regarding impact of institutions on their surrounding areas and the state.

The resolution was amended and passed by the Assembly. The Faculty Assembly recommended to President Spangler that a comprehensive assessment of the economic impact of the constituent institutions on their respective service regions and on the state as a whole be prepared and distributed to the Governor, General Assembly, and the media prior to the convening of the 1996 legislative session. The Committee also discussed the desire to have faculty representation on any Search Committee for a successor to President

Spangler and to have established criteria established for this position.

Budget, David Olson, UNC-G

This Committee will be discussing details of the budget and faculty involvement with this process.

After committee reports Roy Carroll, UNC-General Administration, addressed the Assembly on the Legislative Commission and specific legislation that passed as well as their impact on the university system.

New Business:

George Bailey, ECU, requested an ad hoc committee be established to address the rapidly escalating increases in Journal acquisition. This committee is to consist of 3 members of the Faculty Assembly, and library directors from public and private universities who are members of the NC Council of Library Directors. The motion was passed.

The Faculty Assembly adjourned at 9: 18 PM. Respectfully submitted, Gregg D. Givens, Faculty Assembly Representative