

**EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE**

EXECUTIVE MINUTES OF 10 SEPTEMBER 1996

The first regular meeting of the 1996-97 Faculty Senate was held on Tuesday, 10 September 1996, in the Mendenhall Student Center Great Room.

The minutes of 16 April 1996, and 17 April 1996, were approved as written.

Senators absent were: Professors Jarvis (Faculty Assembly Representative), Satterfield (Art), Krcmar (Communication), Blinson and Thomson (Education), Fletcher and Worthington (Medicine), and Ray (Theatre Arts).

Alternate present was: Stevens for Knickerbocker (Foreign Languages).

Announcements

1. Don Sexauer, Chair of the Faculty, announced that there had been a change in the agenda. The report by the Faculty Grievance Committee would be postponed until 15 October 1996, in order to adhere to the stated policy found in the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix Y.
2. The Chancellor has approved the following resolutions:
 - #96-19 Revised Fall 1996, Spring 1997, and Summer 1997 Weekend University Calendars.
 - #96-20 Revision to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix A, Faculty Constitution, Section V. Organization of the Faculty Senate.
 - #96-21 Support of the University libraries.
 - #96-22 School of Art's Unit Code of Operations.
 - #96-23 School of Business' Unit Code of Operations.
 - #96-24 Department of Communication's Unit Code of Operations.
 - #96-25 Undergraduate curriculum matters contained in the meeting minutes of 14 March 1996, 28 March 1996, and 11 April 1996.
3. The 1995-96 Annual Reports for all standing Faculty Senate academic committees are available for review in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.
4. Copies of *Excerpts from a Point of Order*, a guide to parliamentary procedures, is available to interested faculty by calling the Faculty Senate office at ext. 328-6537.

Chancellor Richard Eakin began his remarks with a commendation of the facilities services staff for their efforts after the two hurricanes. He stated that progress was being made on the development of telephonic registration. Chancellor Eakin reported that the General Administration had undertaken some new initiatives including a new funding formula, post-tenure review for faculty development, a new reporting system for teaching loads, and new budget requests with special attention to how ECU might spend new funds generated for equity adjustments. The Chancellor offered congratulations to the staff of Joyner Library for a successful move and opening of the new facility. He stated that the new Student Recreation facility should open before the end of the semester.

Richard Ringeisen, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, made brief remarks relative to the division. He stated that he was involved in the budget process in which technology was an increasing factor; Dot Clayton, Director of the Faculty Development Center, now had an office in Ragsdale, a faculty development area is being created in the library; the Weekend University had 400 enrollments with under 100 being the more traditional weekday student wanting one of the courses offered; and that post-tenure review was currently taking up much of his time. He stated that he would serve on the General Administration's committee considering post-tenure review. He stated that a survey was currently being done to assess what was done at ECU relative to this type of review. The General Administration is requesting a list describing what the principal features of a meaningful system of post-tenure review of faculty performance should include from the point of view of the faculty.

James Hallock, Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences, had no formal report but was available for questions. No questions were posed to him.

Thomas Feldbush, Vice Chancellor for Research, spoke briefly on the Division's Home Page available at <http://www.research.ecu.edu>. Faculty were encouraged to contact the Division if additions or corrections needed to be made to this network access. He indicated that new databases were available for grantsmanship in sponsored programs.

Due to unexpected preparations for an upcoming meeting pertaining to the recent conference affiliation, Mike Hamrick, Director of Athletics, was unable to attend the meeting. Chair Sexauer will contact him to inquire of his availability at a later meeting.

Larry Hough (Political Science), Faculty Assembly Delegate, presented a brief report on the activities of the last Faculty Assembly meeting held on 19 April 1996. A copy of the full report is available for review in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.

Committee, first presented the second reading of the revised Calendar Committee charge. There was no discussion. The revised Calendar Committee charge was approved as presented. **Resolution #96-26** A copy of the revised charge may be obtained electronically from the East Carolina University Home Page, Faculty Senate, Academic Committees or by calling the Faculty Senate office at ext. 328-6537.

The revised Research/Creative Activity Committee charge was approved as presented. **Resolution #96-27** A copy of the revised charge may be obtained electronically from the East Carolina University Home Page, Faculty Senate, Academic Committees or by calling the Faculty Senate office at ext. 328-6537.

A representative for the Student Scholarships, Fellowships, and Financial Aid Committee failed to appear at the meeting, so this report was postponed until a later date. Chair Sexauer will contact the Committee concerning this matter.

The report by the Faculty Grievance Committee was postponed until 15 October 1996, in order to adhere to the stated policy found in the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix Y.

The proposed definition of the Continuing Education Mission was approved as editorially amended. **Resolution #96-28** Please refer to the list of resolutions at the end of this report for the full approved resolution.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

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RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE 10 SEPTEMBER 1996, FACULTY SENATE MEETING.

- #96-26 Revised Calendar Committee charge. (A copy of the revised charge may be obtained electronically from the East Carolina University Home Page, Faculty Senate, Academic Committees or by calling the Faculty Senate office at ext. 328-6537.
Disposition: Faculty Senate
- #96-27 Revised Research/Creative Activity Grants Committee charge. (A copy of the revised charge may be obtained electronically from the East Carolina University Home Page, Faculty Senate, Academic Committees or by calling the Faculty Senate office at ext. 328-6537.
Disposition: Faculty Senate
- #96-28 Division of Continuing Studies Unit Definition and Mission Statement as follows:
The Division of Continuing Studies is an administrative unit created to advance East Carolina University's educational and public service mission. The Division of Continuing Education was founded in 1947 and, in 1996, was renamed Continuing Studies to represent the expansion and dissemination of educational opportunity. This expanded function provides a range of educational opportunities within and beyond the campus boundaries, at times and places convenient for learners, and utilizes formats appropriate to the needs and circumstances of the learner.
- The division is responsible for encouraging individual growth, assisting those who seek quality lifelong learning opportunities, meeting organizational needs, and supporting regional economic growth. It also contributes to higher education through its practice and scholarly activities. The unit is committed to assuring high quality, accessible, educational programs and services for eastern North Carolina and the national and global communities with which the region interacts. The division communicates the values of the university to non-traditional audiences. Activities are conducted in partnership with all units of the university and encompass Summer School, Extension, Evening Programs, University College, the Weekend University, and Noncredit Programs."
Disposition: Chancellor