

EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

EXECUTIVE MINUTES OF 15 OCTOBER 1996

The second regular meeting of the 1996-97 Faculty Senate was held on Tuesday, 15 October 1996, in the Mendenhall Student Center Great Room.

The minutes of 10 September 1996, was approved as written.

Senators absent were: Blinson and Thomson (Education) and Kataria and Metzger (Medicine).

Alternates present were: Kares for Olszak (Academic Library Services), Doty for Hebert (Business), Jones for McMillan (English), Trienbenbacher for Geissler (Human Environmental Sciences), Dolezal for Worthington (Medicine), Hough for Simon (Political Science), Ironsmith for Allred (Psychology), Clark for Ray (Theatre Arts), and Sparrow for Davis (Administrative Council).

Announcements:

1. The Chancellor has approved the following resolution:
#96-28 Division of Continuing Studies Unit Definition and Mission Statement.
2. There is now an "ONLINE DISCUSSION FACILITY" located on the Faculty Senate's web page. Faculty are invited to comment on various activities of the Faculty Senate through this medium. Please do not hesitate to call the Faculty Senate office if you have any questions concerning this new capability.
3. The Department of Human Resources is offering a Faculty Retirement Workshop on December 17 and 18, 1996, from 8:00 to 5:00 in the Willis Building. Further information will be forthcoming.
4. Dorothy Clayton has provided Faculty Senators with information concerning a conference she and other faculty members attended last month on peer review requirements. If you have further questions after reviewing this information, please contact Professor Clayton at ext. 6470.

Chancellor Richard Eakin began his remarks with a mention of the recent visit of the Leadership Statement committee responsible for developing criteria for the selection of a new president for the UNC system. The university was well represented by the Chair of the Faculty. The university will continue to look into the problems of flooding along Greens Mill Run resulting from increased urbanization. The Chancellor then deferred to Director of Athletics, Mike Hamrick, for comments. Director Hamrick enumerated the highlights of the past year in ECU athletics including a graduation rate of 56% for athletes compared to 49% for the general student population. Director Hamrick indicated that new full-time coaches have been hired and more funds have been made available for student scholarships.

Vice Chancellor Richard Ringeisen had no formal report but was available for questions. No questions were posed to him.

Vice Chancellor James Hallock presented three items: 1) a search is underway to fill the position of Director of the Health Sciences Library, 2) the new class of 72 medical students came from an initial pool of 2,200 applicants and have very good credentials, 3) discussions of an alliance between medical schools at Charlotte-Mecklenberg, Bowman Gray, UNC-CH and ECU are underway. No details were available at the time.

Vice Chancellor Thomas Feldbush had no formal report but was available for questions. No questions were posed to him.

Gerry Clayton, Associate Director of Admissions, spoke briefly on the breakdown of the 1996-97 Freshman class. There was an increase of 6 3/4% in the incoming freshman class. Their SAT profile was up with an average SAT of 1014 compared to 911 last year. The scale revision of SAT scores was increased slightly. High school GPA's of the incoming class was 3.11, up from last year. The African-American student population was 332, up from 284 last year, and their average SAT score had increased also. Mr Clayton also reported that there were 1219 transfer students.

Henry Ferrell, (History) Faculty Assembly Delegate, presented a brief report on the activities of the Faculty Assembly meeting held on 27 September 1996. A copy of the full report is available for review in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.

Ed Stellwag (Biology), Randy Joyner (Education), William McPherson (Industry and Technology), Linner Griffin (Social Work), and Dale Hutchinson (Anthropology) were elected by acclamation to fill 5 of the 6 vacancies on the Research/Creative Activity Grants Committee. The Committee failed to obtain a sixth nominee to fill all of the vacancies, therefore, it was moved and passed that the Chair of the Faculty would fill the final vacancy.

The revised 1997-1998 University Calendars were approved as presented. **Resolution #96-29** (Prior to publication in the upcoming *University Undergraduate and Graduate Catalog*, copies of the revised calendars are available from the Faculty Senate web page or by calling the Faculty Senate office at ext. 328-6537.)

The revised *Guidelines for Setting University Calendar* was approved as presented. **Resolution #96-30** (Please refer to the list of resolutions at the end of this report for the full revised guidelines.)

Following a lengthy discussion, the proposed principal features of a meaningful system of post-tenure review were forwarded to the Faculty Officers to formulate the approved list of components for review of performance of tenured faculty into a list of features and report to the Faculty Senate on 5 November 1996. **Resolution #96-31**

The proposed resolution concerning scholarships and grants for sophomore-level and above students was approved as presented. **Resolution #96-32**

The proposed revisions to the *Selection Procedures for Robert and Lina Mays and Robert L. Jones Alumni Distinguished Professor for Teaching Awards* were approved. **Resolution #96-33** (Copies of the revised procedures will be distributed to all unit heads. Additional copies may be obtained in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.)

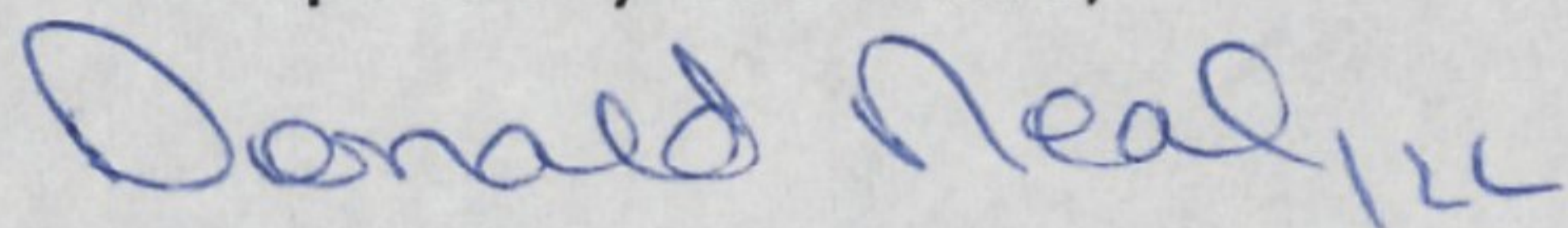
Revised School of Allied Health Science's Unit Code of Operations was approved as presented. Resolution #96-34 (A copy of this unit code may be obtained in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.)

Ken Wilson (Sociology), Past Chair of the Faculty Grievance Committee, presented an overview of the 1995-96 Committee activities. The committee discussed 14 cases. Of grievances initiated during the last academic year, 3 proceeded to STEP TWO; 2 proceeded to STEP THREE; none proceeded to STEPS FOUR, FIVE or SIX and none were submitted to the Chancellor. Of grievances initiated prior to the last academic year, none are still in progress, 1 proceeded to STEP SIX; 1 was submitted to the Chancellor. The number of grievances by category include 2 general harassment and 1 related to salary; a Petition for Redress was submitted for 1 general harassment grievance and 1 salary grievance; no grievances proceeded to hearings. The Chair of the Faculty completed the report: On grievances initiated during the last academic year, no decisions were appealed to the Chancellor or the Board of Trustees and none are still in progress; on grievances initiated prior to last year, 4 decisions were appealed to the Chancellor, 2 were appealed to the Board of Trustees and none are in progress.

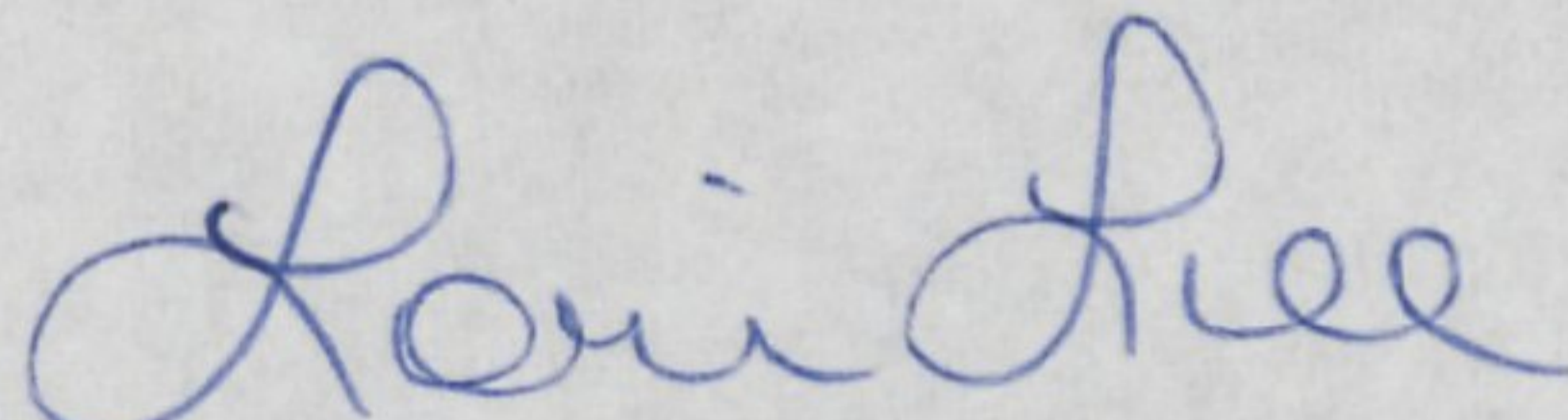
Professor Don Sexauer was elected to fill the 1998 unexpired term on the Faculty Assembly Delegation.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE 15 OCTOBER 1996, FACULTY SENATE MEETING.

#96-29 Revised 1997-1998 University Calendars. (Prior to publication in the upcoming *University Undergraduate and Graduate Catalog*, copies of the revised calendars are available from the Faculty Senate web page or by calling the Faculty Senate office at ext. 328-6537.)
Disposition: Chancellor

#96-30 Revised Guidelines for Setting University Calendars as follows:

1. Fall and spring semesters will include at least 15** Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. Each summer session will have 25 class days.
2. When appropriate, fall semester will include Labor Day as a holiday, a two-day break appended to a weekend in October, a Thanksgiving holiday beginning no later than 1:00 P.M. Wednesday before Thanksgiving and continuing through Saturday, and a Reading Day between the last day of classes and the beginning of exams.
3. There will be a minimum of a three-week break between fall and spring semesters.
4. When appropriate, spring semester will include Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday and Good Friday as holidays, a break of one week, and a Reading Day between the last day of classes and the beginning of exams.
5. Commencement will be scheduled at appropriate times at the end of both fall and spring semesters.
6. When appropriate, fall and spring semester exams will be scheduled on seven days including Saturday according to a rotation schedule. Exams for each summer session will be held on the day after the last class day.
7. Independence Day will be scheduled as a summer session holiday.
- 8.* The calendar shall include two semesters of seventeen weeks each and a summer session of eleven weeks divided into two terms of approximately five and one-half weeks.
- 9.* You shall have the advice of a student-faculty committee on the calendar.
- 10.**The calendar shall provide a minimum of 75 class days per semester - excluding final examinations, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays - for a total of 150 class days per academic year.

*Mandated UNC-General Administration on 3 February 1971.

**Mandated by UNC-General Administration on 2 July 1996.

Disposition: Faculty Senate

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Disposition: Faculty Officers

#96-32 Scholarships and grants for sophomore-level and above students.
Disposition: Chancellor

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Disposition: Chancellor