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EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY  
FACULTY SENATE

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EXECUTIVE MINUTES OF 21 APRIL 1998

The minutes of 24 March 1998, and 7 April 1998, were approved as distributed.

Senators absent were: Professors Satterfield (Art), Sehgal (Biology), Parker (Economics), White and Joyner (Education), Dixon (Geography), Fletcher and McMillen (Medicine), Tranbarger (Nursing), Vice Chancellors Hallock and Ringeisen, and Administrative Council Representative Lowe.

Alternates present were: Professors Jones for Farr (English), Dosser for Shea (Human Environmental Sciences), and Johnson for Wilson (Sociology).

Announcements

1. The Board of Governors have officially designated East Carolina University as a Doctoral II University!! The resolution had two parts, first that ECU would be designated a Doctoral II University, effective May 1. And secondly, that the VP for Academic Affairs and the VP for Finance from GA (Roy Carroll and Bill McCoy, respectively) would work with their counterparts at ECU Richard Ringeisen and Richard Brown) to develop and plan a timetable for "adjusting the funding for ECU to a level appropriate for Doctoral II University status." Further, this plan is to be completed by August 1 and reflected in the Board's biennial budget request for 1999-2001. The Board of Governors also approved two Ph.D. programs, Coastal Resource Management and Biomedical Physics for immediate establishment.
2. Chancellor Eakin has approved the following resolutions from the 24 March 1998, and 7 April 1998, Faculty Senate meeting:  
#98-9 Spring 1998 Graduate roster.  
#98-10 University Academic Computer Use Policy.  
#98-11 School of Social Work and Criminal Justice Studies name change.  
#98-12 Curriculum matters of Curriculum Committee meeting dated 26 February 1998.  
#98-13 Policy for the Cumulative Review of Permanently Tenured Faculty.  
Chancellor also noted that Resolution #98-14, recommending that the Board of Governors initiate a review process to take place at least every five years, has been received.
3. Plans are now being made for the second annual Teaching Awards Ceremony to honor upcoming recipients of the three teaching awards: Alumni Teaching Excellence, Board of Governors Award for Excellence, and Board of Governors Distinguished Professor. The ceremony will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Hendrix Theatre on Thursday, 7 May 1998 (Reading Day). A reception, hosted by Chancellor Eakin, will follow in the Mendenhall Multi-Purpose room. Please make plans now to attend.
4. The track titles of the Spanish degrees (API#1105) have been changed to Hispanic Studies and approved by the UNC General Administration on April 14, 1998.
5. Thanks was extended to Chancellor Eakin for his continued support of refreshments at each of the Faculty Senate meetings this year.
6. Both 1999-2000 Research/Creative Activity and Teaching grant applications are now available in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex. Deadlines for each are as follows:  
Research/Creative Activity grants are due: Tuesday, 15 September 1998  
Teaching grants are due: Thursday, 1 October 1998

Chair of the Faculty, Don Sexauer (Art), moved to rearrange the meeting agenda, to allow the Senators to hear first unfinished business and report of committees before the special order of the day. There was no objection to this change in the agenda.

The Faculty Senate approved the Ad Hoc Committee on Non-Traditional Formats report and recommendations. **RESOLUTION #98-15** (Please refer to the list of resolutions at the end of this report for the recommendations.)

The proposed Summer 2000, Fall 2000, and Spring 2001 University Calendars were approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #98-16** (Copies of the University Calendars may be obtained from the Faculty Senate website at: <http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline>.)

The proposed revision to the *University Undergraduate Catalog*, Section 5: Academic Regulations, Course Drop Allocations was approved. It was noted that the only sentence to be deleted read: "Second undergraduate degree - according to classification upon matriculation as a second undergraduate degree student." The replaced text would follow. **RESOLUTION #98-17** (A copy of the revisions will be placed in the Spring printing of the *University Undergraduate Catalog*. Prior to that printing, a copy of the approved course drop allocations may be obtained from the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.)

The proposed revision to the *University Undergraduate Catalog*, Section 5: Academic Regulations, Eligibility was referred to the Credits Committee for further consultation and consideration, with a report from them during the Fall 1998 semester. **RESOLUTION #98-18**

The Educational Policies and Planning Committee reported disapproval of the request for permission to plan a new minor in Virtual Reality.

The Faculty Welfare Committee report was postponed until the Fall.

The proposed revision to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Part VII. Section V. Policy and Procedures on Ethics in Research and Creative Activities was approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #98-19** (Following the Chancellor's approval, this revision will be made to the on-line *ECU Faculty Manual* located on the Faculty Senate webpage. Copies of the revision may be obtained from the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.)

The revised Unit Codes of Operation for Academic Library Services and Health Sciences Library were approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #98-20** (Copies of the revised codes, as well as codes from any other academic unit on campus, may be viewed in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.)

The Curriculum matters contained in the University Curriculum Committee minutes of the 12 March 1998, were approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #98-21** (Copies of these minutes have been distributed to all units and are available on the Faculty Senate web page.)

Following the Committee reports, Chair Sexauer returned to the Special Order of the Day.

Chancellor Eakin offered no formal remarks. There was no Vice Chancellor's report.

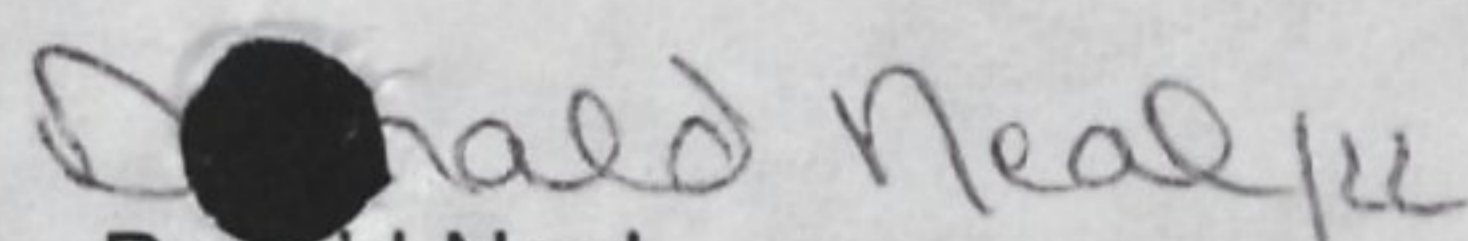
Ernie Schwarz, Chair of the University Athletic Committee and a member of the Academic Integrity Subcommittee gave a brief report on the activities of the Athletics Department.

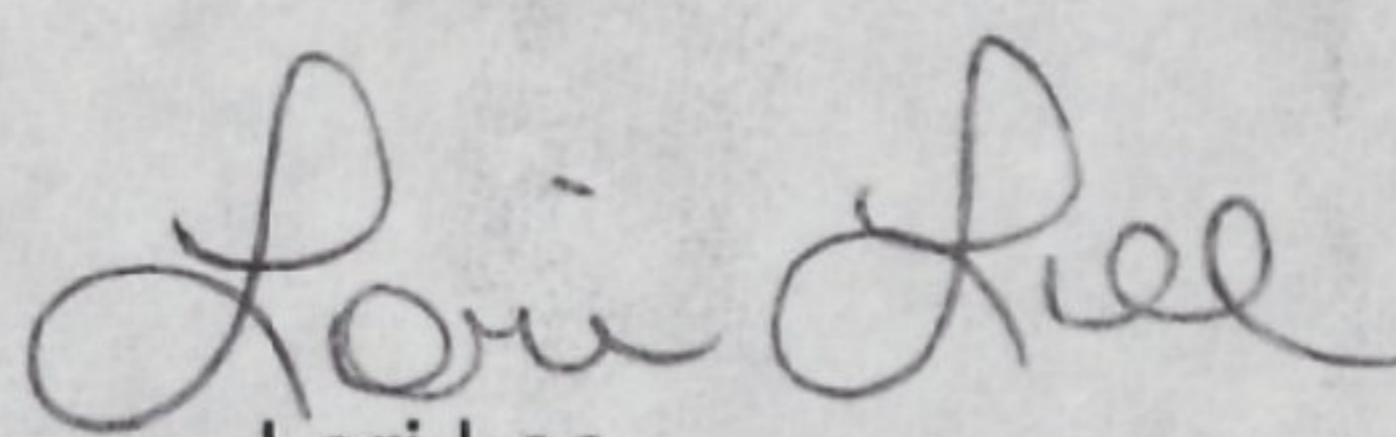
A brief report on the UNC Faculty Assembly meeting of 17 April 1998, was presented. (A copy of the full report may be obtained in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.)

A resolution commending Professor Don Sexauer, Chair of the Faculty, for the past three years, was approved. **RESOLUTION #98-22**  
(Please refer to the list of resolutions for the full commendation.)

There being no further business to come before the Faculty Senate at this time, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Secretary of the Faculty

  
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**RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE 21 APRIL 1998, FACULTY SENATE MEETING.**

#98-15 Recommendations concerning non-traditional formats as follows:

Recommendation 1:

*The Faculty Senate adopt the "Quality Assurance Standards for Undergraduate Courses Offered via Distance Education" and that the University Curriculum Committee be charged with assurance that courses and programs meet these standards.*

Recommendation 2:

*Development and offering of a distance learning course or program be under the direction of a permanently tenured or probationary term faculty member without administrative appointment. [Fixed term faculty may only function in a supportive role.]*

Recommendation 3:

*The property rights associated with distance learning material will reside with the faculty member developing the material and may only be used with his or her permission.*

Recommendation 4:

*All distance learning programs or courses will require a six month notice to all supporting agencies.*

Recommendation 5:

*A distinction between distance learning courses and programs and those offered on the Greenville campuses shall be indicated on official transcripts and diplomas..*

**Disposition: Chancellor**

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**Disposition: Chancellor**

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**Disposition: Chancellor**

#98-18 Proposed revision to the *University Undergraduate Catalog*, Section 5: Academic Regulations, Eligibility Standards referred to the Credits Committee for further consultation and consideration, with a report from them during the Fall 1998 semester.

**Disposition: Credits Committee**

#98-19 Revision to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Part VII. Section V. Policy and Procedures on Ethics in Research and Creative Activities. (Following the Chancellor's approval, this revision will be made to the on-line *ECU Faculty Manual* located on the Faculty Senate webpage. Copies of the revision may be obtained from the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.)

**Disposition: Chancellor**

#98-20 Revised Unit Codes of Operation for Academic Library Services and Health Sciences Library. (Copies of the revised codes, as well as codes from any other academic unit on campus, may be viewed in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.)

**Disposition: Chancellor**

#98-21 Curriculum matters contained in the University Curriculum Committee minutes of the 12 March 1998. (Copies of these minutes have been distributed to all units and are available on the Faculty Senate web page.)

**Disposition: Chancellor**

#98-22 Resolution commending Professor Don Sexauer, Chair of the Faculty, for the past three years. The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Professor Don Sexauer has served with honor as Chair of the Faculty for the past three academic years; and  
WHEREAS, Professor Sexauer has dedicated his time and much effort to activities that benefit all faculty at East Carolina University, serving as a stalwart steward for upholding the principles of academic freedom and shared faculty governance; and

WHEREAS, Professor Sexauer has cultivated an increased awareness of the issues important to the well-being of the university through the formation of the Faculty Senate website and featured articles in Pieces of Eight; and  
WHEREAS, Under Professor Sexauer's leadership, an Annual Teaching Awards Ceremony has been established to showcase the teaching excellence at East Carolina University; and

WHEREAS, With Professor Sexauer's oversight, revisions to at least 7 appendices and 5 parts of the ECU Faculty Manual were successfully completed and revisions to at least ten unit codes of operation were approved; and

WHEREAS, Professor Sexauer has shown leadership and foresight in the development of policies that affect all faculty, including Guidelines for Measuring Teaching Loads, Phased Retirement Policy, and Cumulative Review of Permanently Tenured Faculty; and

WHEREAS, Professor Sexauer has increased communication among the Chairs of the Faculty across the UNC system.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Professor Don Sexauer has served the faculty of East Carolina University extremely well during his tenure as Chair of the Faculty, setting high standards for future Chairs of the Faculty to remain vigilant on important matters relating to the welfare of faculty.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that due to Professor Don Sexauer's hard work and dedication to faculty, that faculty at East Carolina University may feel confident that their concerns and issues were well represented to interested parties, i.e. University Administration, Board of Trustees, UNC Faculty Assembly, and UNC General Administration.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate commends Professor Don Sexauer for his outstanding leadership, professionalism, and energetic efforts during his tenure as Chair of the Faculty of East Carolina University.

**Disposition: Chancellor**