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EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY  
FACULTY SENATE

FULL MINUTES OF 8 DECEMBER 1998

The fourth regular meeting of the 1998-99 Faculty Senate was held on Tuesday, 8 December 1998, in the Mendenhall Student Center Great Room.

**Agenda Item I. Call to Order**

Chair Brenda Killingsworth called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

**Agenda Item II. Approval of Minutes**

The 6 October 1998, and 10 November 1998, full Faculty Senate minutes were approved as distributed.

**Agenda Item III. Special Order of the Day**

A. Roll Call

Senators absent were: Professors Singhas and Sehgal (Biology), Griffin, Gabbard, and White (Education), Gares (Geography), Dolezal, Dudek, Fiordalisi, and Reinhart (Medicine), Ulfers (Music), Vice Chancellor Hallock, and Vice Chancellor Feldbush.

Alternates present were: Professors Wittman for Smith (Allied Health Sciences).

B. Announcements

1. Chancellor Eakin has approved the following **resolutions from the 10 November 1998**, Faculty Senate meeting:

- 98-26 Approval of the Fall 1998 Graduation Roster, including honors program graduates, subject to completion of degree requirements.
- 98-27 Endorsement of the request for authorization to establish a multidisciplinary minor.
- 98-28 Revisions to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix L. Section D. and Section E.
- 98-29 Revision to the Policy for the Cumulative Review of Permanently Tenured Faculty and the inclusion in the *ECU Faculty Manual*.
- 98-30 Curriculum matters contained in the minutes of 24 September 1998, and 8 October 1998, committee minutes.

2. We have several **vacancies on Academic Committees** and want to extend an invitation to all Faculty Senators and Alternates to consider serving on one of these committees. If interested in serving on one of the following Committee vacancies, please call the Faculty Senate office at ext. 6537.

Faculty Computer Committee	1999 and 2001 terms
University Curriculum Committee	1999 term
Appellate Reconsideration Committee	2001 term

3. Sincere appreciation was extended to Chancellor Eakin for providing the delicious hors d'oeuvres and wine served during the meeting.

4. The next Faculty Assembly meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 19, 1999, at 9:00 a.m. in Chapel Hill. Faculty, with issues they feel need to be addressed by this body, should contact one of the five Faculty Assembly Delegate listed below.

\* Lou Everett    \* Henry Ferrell    \* Rita Reaves    \* Allan Rosenberg    \* Brenda Killingsworth

5. The Committee on Committees has been charged to seek volunteers to serve on the various academic, appellate, administrative, Board of Trustee, and student union committees. Faculty will receive a volunteer packet, with brief descriptions of the University committees, in early January. Faculty are strongly encouraged to participate in this component of shared faculty governance.

C. Richard Eakin, Chancellor

Richard Eakin, Chancellor, began his remarks by extending a special thank you to the faculty for all their efforts toward the university's achievement of Doctoral II status. He shared with senators three items that will be addressed at the upcoming Board of Trustees meeting on December 12, 1998: 1) design of the science & technology building will be made available; 2) proposal for student fee increase which will include a \$32 mandatory fee (fees will increase from \$724 to \$750- representing a 4.4% increase), with an additional \$6 transit fee to be proposed; and 3) presentation of 1998-2008 long range enrollment projection figures. He stated that General Administration had asked the universities to submit enrollment projections and dollars needed to handle the significant increase anticipated in student enrollment. He stated that he would recommend to the Board that East Carolina University convene faculty, students, and interested others in early Spring Semester to discuss these issues. He will suggest that there be a day-long discussion to share facts, issues, and respond to questions. Professor Schneider (Business) asked about the expected characteristics of ECU's students' SAT and GPA scores with the projected increase in the enrollment. Chancellor Eakin reassured the faculty that ECU would determine what those students would look

like and that with East Carolina University's enrollment of 17,800 students, ECU is currently enrolling about 10% of all the students enrolled in the University of North Carolina System. He stated that with this increase, ECU could anticipate about 5,000 more students. That would bring enrollment up to 23,280 students. It had been suggested by the Board of Trustees that ECU consider increasing even more.

Professor Rosenberg (Medicine) suggested, and was supported by Chancellor Eakin, that the SAT scores be tracked overtime through Planning & Institutional Research. Chancellor Eakin stated that although the student increase was expected to be 50,000 students within the UNC System; our area was not expected to rise as significantly as in other areas of the State. Professor Simon (Political Science) suggested that the University examine how ECU might focus on attracting students to the area. According to Professor Schneider (Business) parents and students cite one of East Carolina University's greatest strengths was offering freshmen and sophomores opportunities for them to meet with faculty members.

#### D. Vice Chancellor's Report

Richard Ringeisen, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, stated that through the Pepsi contract, ECU was receiving 3.2 million dollars immediately; 1.5 million will be placed in the merit scholarship account. He stated that, after making 5% on that money, \$75,000 would become available in each year. For the first time ECU would have available 12 Fulbright-type merit scholarships, worth about \$6,000 each. The University's goal is to raise \$12 million in merit scholarships. Additionally, \$300,000 had been placed in a faculty-student leadership endowed fund; with \$1.2 million going to athletic grants and \$0.2 million toward capital funds for athletics. He emphasized that a larger portion of the up-front monies went toward merit scholarships.

Professor Tilley (History) discussed a meeting with the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences in which he was dismayed to learn there were no Fulbright-type scholarships currently on campus. Vice Chancellor Ringeisen responded that the Chancellor's emphasis was on having Fulbright-type academic scholarships and that there were various ways to raise SAT scores. He stated that by having such merit scholarships on campus, students became recruiters themselves for the university. Decker (Health and Human Performance) questioned the process of reappointment for fixed term faculty. Vice Chancellor Ringeisen shared plans for streamlining the annual report. He encouraged suggestions from the faculty. Professor Simon (Political Science) asked about tuition waivers for graduate students and whether ECU would become as aggressive as Chapel Hill and NC State. Professor Simon also asked if General Administration had been questioned whether if any of the tuition waivers were going to Master's students, as well as, doctoral students. Vice Chancellor Ringeisen stated that this "wording" came as a surprise to General Administration.

#### Agenda Item IV. Unfinished Business

A. Report from the Nominating Committee for Faculty Officers, Fred Schadler  
Fred Schadler (Business), presented Lou Everett (Nursing) as the Committee's nominee to fill the recent vacancy as Secretary of the Faculty. Professor Everett was accepted by the group by acclamation.

#### B. Credits Committee

Tope Bello (Business), Chair of the Committee, presented the proposed revisions to the University Academic Retention Standards. Professor Schadler (Business) expressed concern for the reference to the "0-29 Hrs." stating that this was a large jump from what it was before. Professor Bello responded that the Committee had looked at predicted GPA's and based their recommendation on the fact that the predicted GPA was 2.0. Schneider (Business) stated that freshmen are permitted to repeat courses and they could rebound the second semester. Professor Sexauer (Art) questioned that, while comparing ECU's standards to N. C. State and Chapel Hill, did the committee also compare ECU's standards to Greensboro. Professor Bello responded that there was a special effort to examine N. C. State and Chapel Hill, yet Greensboro had also been reviewed. Several faculty members commended the Credits Committee for their efforts.

Following discussion, the proposed revisions to the University Academic Retention Standards were approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #98-33** Chancellor Eakin announced that he graciously approved the revised standards as approved by the Faculty Senate. (A copy of the revised standards may be obtained from the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex. The revised standards will be placed in the 1999-2000 University Undergraduate Catalog.)

#### Agenda Item V. Report of Committees

##### A. Agenda Committee

Li Allred (Psychology), Chair of the Committee, presented the proposed 1999-2000 Faculty Senate and Agenda Committee meeting dates. There was no discussion and the proposed meeting dates were approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #98-34** (Please refer to the list of resolutions at the end of this report for the meeting dates.)

B. Calendar Committee

David Glascoff (Business), Chair of the Committee, presented proposed statements of clarification for scheduling class contact minutes for Fall/Spring semesters, Summer session, and Weekend University courses. Professor Rosenberg (Medicine) raised a concern about using 90 minutes as a determining factor to require a break. Following discussion, the proposed statements of clarification were approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #98-35** (Following approval by the Chancellor, a copy of the approved clarification statements will be distributed to all academic units by the Calendar Committee.)

C. Educational Policies and Planning Committee

Brenda Killingsworth (Business), Chair of the Faculty and a member of the Committee, presented the request for authorization to plan a new B.S. program in Environmental Technology. Professor Simon (Political Science) asked if this program included a social science course that deal with environmental policy, stating that, to his knowledge, no one in his department had been consulted about this. Killingsworth indicated that it would be appropriate to discuss this with the Dean of the School of Industry and Technology, Darrell Davis. There was no discussion and the Faculty Senate endorsed this request. **RESOLUTION #98-36**

D. University Curriculum Committee

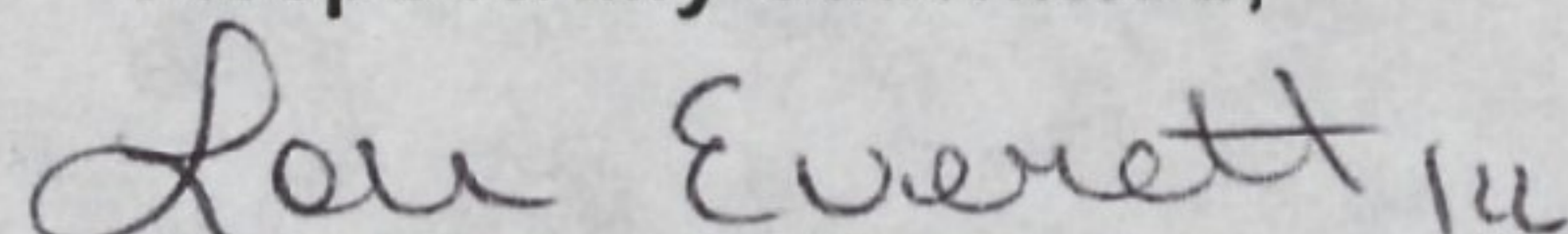
JoAnn Jones (English/Undergraduate Studies), a member of the Committee, presented the curriculum matters contained in the minutes of 12 November 1998. There was no discussion and the curriculum matters were approved as presented.

**RESOLUTION #98-37**

**Agenda Item VI. New Business**

There being no new business to come before the Faculty Senate at this time. The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lou Everett  
School of Nursing  
Secretary of the Faculty

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**RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE 8 DECEMBER 1998, FACULTY SENATE MEETING.**

- #98-33 Revised University Academic Retention Standards.  
(A copy of the revised standards may be obtained from the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex. The revised standards will be placed in the *1999-2000 University Undergraduate Catalog*.)  
**Disposition: Chancellor**
- #98-34 1999-2000 Faculty Senate and Agenda Committee meeting dates as follows:  

<u>Agenda Committee will meet:</u>	<u>Faculty Senate will meet:</u>
August 24, 1999	September 7, 1999
September 21, 1999	October 5, 1999
October 26, 1999	November 16, 1999
November 30, 1999	December 7, 1999
January 11, 2000	January 25, 2000
February 8, 2000	February 22, 2000
March 7, 2000	March 21, 2000
April 4, 2000	April 18, 2000

May 2, 2000, Organizational Meeting

**Disposition: Faculty Senate**
- #98-35 Statements of clarification for scheduling class contact minutes for Fall/Spring semesters, Summer session and Weekend University courses. (Copies of these clarification statement may be obtained in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex. Following approval by the Chancellor, a copy of the approved clarification statements will be distributed to all academic units.)  
**Disposition: Chancellor**
- #98-36 Endorsement of the request for authorization to plan a new B.S. program in Environmental Technology.  
**Disposition: Chancellor**
- #98-37 Curriculum matters contained in the minutes of 12 November 1998, committee meeting.  
**Disposition: Chancellor**