

EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE

EXECUTIVE MINUTES OF 27 APRIL 1999

The minutes of 30 March 1999, were approved as distributed.

Senators absent were: Professors Everett (Nursing), Albright (Allied Health Sciences), Wolfe (Anthropology), Singhas (Biology), Gabbard, Griffin, and Joyner (Education), Anderson (Foreign Language), Friend and Kennedy (Industry and Technology), Dudek, Lannin, and Metzger (Medicine), Vice Chancellor Hallock, and Vice Chancellor Feldbush.

Alternates present were: Professors Brinson for Sehgal (Biology), Jones for Bauer (English), Dishaw for Shea (Human Environmental Sciences), Worthington for Dolezal (Medicine), Jendrasiak for Fiordalisi (Medicine), and Tranbarger for Drees (Nursing).

Announcements

1. The Chancellor has approved the following resolutions from the 30 March 1999, Faculty Senate meeting:
 - #99-5 Spring 1999 Graduation Roster, including honors program graduates, subject to completion of degree requirements.
 - #99-7 Revisions to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix C. Personnel Policies and Procedures for the Faculty of ECU.
 - #99-8 Revisions to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Part I.
 - #99-9 Interpretation of the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix D, Section IV.G. Initiation of Recommendations, relating to search committees.
 - #99-10 Editorial change to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix D, Section VI.
 - #99-12 Curriculum matters contained in the 11 February 1999, and 25 February 1999, meeting minutes.
2. In order to avoid confusing faculty members wishing to apply for a 1999-2000 University Teaching Award (alumni or Board of Governor) an editorial change has been made to the Teaching Effectiveness Committee's report. The deadline for submitting nomination letters from the unit code administrators has been changed from September 30 to September 15 (#3, 7th line). This change will allow for all University Teaching Award deadlines to be consistent.
3. Applications for the 2000-2001 University Teaching Grants and Research/Creative Activity Grants are now available in the Faculty Senate office for interested faculty. The deadline for each grant is as follows:

Teaching Grants	12:00 noon on Friday, 1 October 1999
Research/Creative Activity Grants	12:00 noon on Wednesday, 15 September 1999
4. Faculty Senators and Alternates interested in serving next year as the Chair of the Faculty's representative on one of the various University Committees should contact the Faculty Senate office.
5. A special thanks is extended to Chancellor Eakin for providing the funds for refreshments throughout the year for the Faculty Senate meetings.

Chancellor Richard Eakin commented on four items 1) Plans for preparation of the site of the new science and technology building are underway and site work will begin this summer. 2) The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) Self-Study is about to get underway and the Southern Association has provided the option of doing a traditional self study or an alternative study whereby one focus of the university mission is selected and studied and then SACS will assess that aspect of the university. SACS must be informed of our choice in May and if the alternative model is selected, the area of focus must be reported in October. The chancellor will be soliciting input from many sources in the coming weeks. 3) A revision of the mission statement for the university is in progress. The revision is part of the long range planning document to be submitted in May. Input from the faculty is welcome. 4) The chancellor reflected on the situation regarding former trustee Walter Williams as being a most unfortunate circumstance and reiterated the power of words. He stated that we must learn from this and move on.

Following Chancellor Eakin's remarks, Henry Ferrell (History) offered the following resolution.

"Whereas, the recent epithet by an official of East Carolina University conveyed an offensive and negative image of African Americans, to the faculty, staff, and students of the University, and
Whereas, the University expects its members and constituents to respect and appreciate individual differences and human rights, regardless of race, religious and ethnic background, and
Whereas, the Chancellor of East Carolina University has acknowledged that the "fabric of our community has been torn,"
Therefore be it resolved, that the Faculty Senate finds such an epithet repugnant and not reflective of the spirit and history of the University and reaffirms its commitment to intellectual integrity as exhibited in the high professional standards of East Carolina University. We further express the hope that this university will henceforth refuse any financial assistance proffered by the individual in question."

A friendly amendment was made to delete the final sentence of the resolution that read: " We further express the hope that this university will henceforth refuse any financial assistance proffered by the individual in question." Following discussion, the proposed resolution was approved as amended. **RESOLUTION #99-13**

Richard Ringeisen, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, shared two items related to distance education funds. 1) These funds can only be used for distance education courses and related endeavors and every dollar must be accounted for. 2) Funds are being provided for those people currently teaching distance education courses.

Professors Donald R. Sexauer (Art) and William I. Grossnickle (Psychology), who will be utilizing the phased retirement option after the Spring 1999 semester, were recognized for their many contributions and dedication to the University's growth and long standing tradition of faculty governance.

Bob Morrison (Chemistry), Faculty Assembly Alternate, presented a report on the 16 April 1999, Faculty Assembly meeting.

The proposed addition to the Admissions and Recruitment Committee charge and proposed revisions to the Faculty Computer Committee charge were approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #99-14** (The revised committee charges are available on the Faculty Senate website at: <http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/Commin.htm> .)

Proposed Summer 2001, Fall 2001, and Spring 2002 University Calendars were approved as editorially revised. **RESOLUTION #99-15**

The requests for permission to establish new degree programs in the following disciplines: Bioenergetics and Criminal Justice were endorsed as presented. (Copies of the requests to plan and to establish are available for review in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.)

The proposed Quality Assurance Standards for Undergraduate Courses Offered via Distance Education at East Carolina University was approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #99-16**

The proposed Guidelines for the Implementation of the "Quality Assurance Standards for Undergraduate Courses Offered via Distance Education at ECU" was approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #99-17**

The Educational Policies and Planning Committee's report on the seven program reviews being forwarded to General Administration: MS Chemistry, MA Geography, MA/MA Ed. Mathematics, MA Clinical Psychology, CAS Counselor Education, MS Physics, and MS Environmental Health was endorsed by the Faculty Senate.

The recommendations concerning the General Education Assessment were approved as editorially revised. **RESOLUTION #99-18** (Please refer to the list of resolutions at the end of this report for the recommendations.)

The proposed revisions to the Guidelines for Research Grants to be awarded in 2000-2001 were approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #99-19**

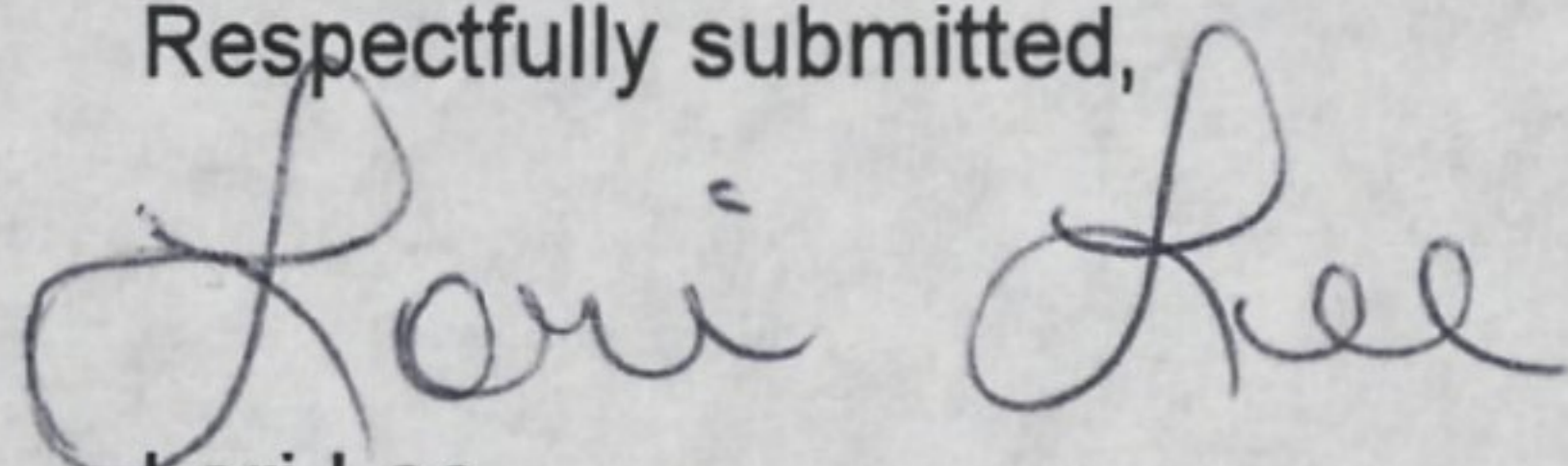
Following a lengthy discussion, the resolution requesting support for faculty advising failed.

The proposed revisions to the Alumni Distinguished Professor for Teaching Awards Selection Procedures were approved as amended. **RESOLUTION #99-20**

The proposed revised Unit Codes of Operation for the following units: Department of Foreign Language and Literatures, Department of Political Science, Department of Psychology, and the School of Health and Human Performance were approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #99-21**

The curriculum matters contained in the 11 March 1999, meeting minutes were approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #99-22**

Respectfully submitted,



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RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE 27 APRIL 1999, FACULTY SENATE MEETING.

- #99-13 The Faculty Senate finds such an epithet (by an official of East Carolina University) repugnant and not reflective of the spirit and history of the University and reaffirms its commitment to intellectual integrity as exhibited in the high professional standards of ECU.
Disposition: Faculty Senate
- #99-14 Revised Admissions and Recruitment Committee charge and Faculty Computer Committee charge. (The revised committee charges are available on the Faculty Senate website at: <http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/Commin.htm> and will be distributed to Committee members at the Fall organizational meetings.)
Disposition: Faculty Senate
- #99-15 Summer 2001, Fall 2001, and Spring 2002 University Calendars. (Following approval by the Chancellor, the 2001-2002 University Calendars will be available on the Faculty Senate website at: <http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/fscalend.htm>.)
Disposition: Chancellor
- #99-16 Quality Assurance Standards for Undergraduate Courses Offered via Distance Education at East Carolina University. (Following approval by the Chancellor, copies of the proposed Quality Assurance Standards for Undergraduate Courses Offered via Distance Education at East Carolina University will be distributed to unit code administrators.)
Disposition: Chancellor
- #99-17 Guidelines for the Implementation of the "Quality Assurance Standards for Undergraduate Courses Offered via Distance Education at ECU". (Following approval by the Chancellor, copies of the Guidelines for the Implementation of the "Quality Assurance Standards for Undergraduate Courses Offered via Distance Education at ECU" will be distributed to unit code administrators.)
Disposition: Chancellor
- #99-18 Recommendations concerning the General Education Assessment as follows:
- The immediate appointment of a committee (the General Education Assessment Committee) charged with the development of an assessment plan for general education. The membership of said committee should include (but not necessarily be limited to) representatives from Academic Affairs, Undergraduate Studies, the General Education Committee, Planning and Institutional Research, and each of the six component areas of general education (composition, social science, humanities/fine arts, natural science, mathematics, health/physical education).
 - The working of the General Education Assessment Committee will be with the Planning and Institutional Research Assessment Coordinator to develop, implement, and periodically revise an on-going, annual assessment of general education. The initiation of such assessments to occur within a time frame that is consistent with the upcoming SACS Self-Study beginning Fall 2001, and the SACS Accreditation visit scheduled for Spring 2002.
 - The reporting of assessment results be made to relevant academic units and the General Education Committee so as to allow use of evaluations to improve educational programs, services and operations.
- Disposition: Chancellor**
- #99-19 Revisions to the Guidelines for Research Grants to be awarded in 2000-2001. (The approved guidelines and application packet may be obtained in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex or by downloading the forms from the Faculty Senate website at: <http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/rc.htm>.)
Disposition: Faculty Senate
- #99-20 Revised Alumni Distinguished Professor for Teaching Awards Selection Procedures. (Following approval by the Chancellor, the revised selection procedures will be available on the Faculty Senate website at: <http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/te.htm>.)
Disposition: Chancellor
- #99-21 Revised Unit Codes of Operation for the following units: Department of Foreign Language and Literatures, Department of Political Science, Department of Psychology, and the School of Health and Human Performance. (Copies of the revised codes are available for review in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.)
Disposition: Chancellor
- #99-22 Curriculum matters contained in the 11 March 1999, meeting minutes. (Copies of the minutes have been distributed to all units and are available on the Faculty Senate website at: <http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/cu.htm>.)
Disposition: Chancellor