## FACULTY SENATE **FULL MINUTES OF 10 OCTOBER 2000**

The second regular meeting of the 2000-2001 Faculty Senate was held on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, in e Mendenhall Student Center Great Room.

Agenda Item I. Call to Order Bob Morrison, Chair of the Faculty called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

**Agenda Item II. Approval of Minutes** The minutes of 5 September 2000, were approved as distributed.

Agenda Item III. Special Order of the Day

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A. Roll Call

Senators absent were: Professors Holbert (Allied Health Sciences), Joyner (Education), Rigsby (Geology), Barnes, Boswell, and McGhee (Health and Human Performance), Lyandres (History), Meredith, Mustafa, and Wooden (Medicine), Theurer (Music), Williams (Nursing), Conradt (Political Science), Varner (Administrative Council Representative), and Killingsworth (Past Chair of the Faculty).

Alternates present were: Professors Voors for Arnold (Art), Schmidt for Stanley (Biology), Spickerman for Tabrizi (Computer Science), Deena for Palumbo (English), Jones for Watson (English), Everett for Tranbarger (Nursing), Pokorny for Droes (Nursing), and Lapicki for Shinpaugh (Physics).

# **B.** Announcements

- 1. The Administrative Citation Appeals Board has four faculty vacancies. This Board serves as an appeals board for students, staff, faculty, and visitors of ECU for the appeal of campus parking and traffic citations. Anyone interested in serving on this Board is asked to call the Faculty Senate office at ext. 6537.
- 2. This is to advise that one ceremony is scheduled for Fall Commencement 2000. Previously two ceremonies were scheduled in the fall. Fall commencement is scheduled for Saturday, December 9 at 9:30 a.m. in Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum for eleven professional schools and the departments within the College of Arts and Sciences. Graduates of summer school and fall semester 2000 will be recognized.
- Faculty interested in periodically receiving past copies of "The Chronicle of Higher Education" are asked to call the Faculty Senate office and place their name on a list for distribution.
- 4. The Committee on Committees is charged with filling two upcoming alternate vacancies on the Faculty Assembly Delegation. Information was distributed to all faculty via the faculty listserv. Nomination forms are due in the Faculty Senate office by Monday, 20 November 2000.
- 5. Faculty Senators or Alternates interested in serving as the Chair of the Faculty's representative (with vote) on the Admissions and Recruitment, Faculty Welfare, or Research Policies Committees are asked to call the Faculty Senate office at ext. 6537. The activities of these committees may be reviewed on the Faculty Senate website at http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/commin2.htm.

### C. Richard Eakin, Chancellor

Chancellor Eakin discussed the Higher Education bonds issue. Eakin distributed a fact sheet and pamphlet, including letters from Harlan Boyles, State Treasurer, supporting the bond referendum. The Chancellor urged faculty Senators to carry this information back to colleagues in the various units; frequently asked questions are included as well. Chancellor Eakin has been all over eastern North Carolina educating people about the bond referendum. Sentiment toward the bond referendum is favorable; polls indicate at least a 55% public approval for the bond. There is little organized opposition to the bond referendum, except from the John Locke Foundation, and a former House Speaker. The Chancellor urged faculty Senators and faculty to work hard for next 30 days on getting word out about the bond.

The Chancellor stated that ECU has recently received 5 of the largest gifts in its history.

Bass (Social Work and Criminal Justice Studies) asked a question about the PIR survey administered to graduating seniors. The Chancellor stated that such surveys are administered as required by General Administration. General Administration places the constituent universities in the uncomfortable position of requiring a 90 percent return rate. The Chancellor noted that concern has been expressed because certain faculty members' names were not deleted from the rvey results. This situation will be remedied.

D. Phil Dixon, Chairman of the ECU Board of Trustees Mr. Dixon discussed the Chancellor search. Planning for the search was completed early. The pool includes over 100 applicants, including more than 10 sitting chancellors. The search committee is now in phase 4, the selection phase. The advertisement for the position has appeared in several venues, including *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, and other publications targeting female and minority applicants. The next meeting is scheduled for October 27th; interviews should begin around November 9<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Jan Greenwood of A.T. Kearney is the consultant for the search. She spoke to the chair of the search committee in support of the bond referendum with respect to new opportunities for the incoming Chancellor.

Wall (Philosophy) asked why the committee mentioned that the educational qualifications state Ph.D. "preferred" as opposed to required. Mr. Dixon stated that many good candidates may not have typical academic backgrounds, and that the door should be left open to these candidates. In addition qualified Ed.D. and J.D. candidates may be considered.

#### E. Tom Feldbush, Vice Chancellor for Research

Vice Chancellor Feldbush spoke of the proposed Roanoke Island project. (A copy of the Roanoke Island report is available for review in the Faculty Senate office.) A Center for Coastal Studies will be established, under ECU's sponsorship and administration. A plan has been submitted for physical facilities and an annual budget. The plan includes 3 physical facilities as part of the proposal, with a projected budget of \$12 million.

F. Ralph Scott, Faculty Assembly Delegate

Professor Scott (Academic Library Services) presented an overview of the Faculty Assembly meeting held on 15 September 2000, in Chapel Hill. A copy of his report is available in the Faculty Senate office.

# Agenda Item IV. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to come before the Faculty Senate at this time.

## **Agenda Item V. Report of Committees**

A. Committee on Committees

Jack Karns (Business), Vice Chair of the Faculty, presided over the presentation of this report. Henry Ferrell (History), Chair of the Committee, first presented the first readings for the following academic committee charges: Academic Awards, Admission and Recruitment, Calendar, Faculty Information Technology, and University Curriculum. Professor Ferrell stated that the committee was charged with reorganizing committees by Immediate Past Chair Killingsworth. Ferrell noted the difficulty in getting people to serve on committees, and stated that some committees could be combined to conserve effort and improve efficiency. Professor Ferrell also noted that a copy of the revised Academic Awards Committee charge was available at the Faculty Senators' seats. (*Please call the Faculty Senate office ext. 6537 if you are interested in obtaining a copy of the revised report.*) The Faculty Senate was given the opportunity to announce their intentions to offer revisions at the second reading of these charges on 14 November 2000. A number of questions and comments followed, and were noted by Chairman Ferrell and Ralph Scott. They will be reviewed at the next committee meeting.

Professor Ferrell then offered the following nominees to fill two vacancies on the Appellate Due Process Committee: Patricia Anderson (Education) and Rick Taylor (English). The nominees were accepted by acclamation.

#### **B. Faculty Governance Committee**

Henry Ferrell (History), Chair of the Committee, presented a proposed policy on requesting a leave of absence. The new policy would include the following: "The faculty member should forward a written request for a leave of absence to the unit administrator. The request should include the reason(s) for the request and the dates the faculty member is requesting leave. The unit administrator will forward the request to the Personnel Committee, which will make a recommendation to the unit administrator. The unit administrator will make a recommendation and will forward both recommendations to the immediate supervisor. This procedure shall be repeated at each administrative level until the recommendation reaches the appropriate vice chancellor. After reviewing the recommendations, the vice chancellor will make a decision and will notify in writing the faculty member, the unit administrator, and the administrator's immediate supervisor."

Chancellor Eakin expressed concern about medical leave versus personal leave, and that a lack of flexibility could lead to problems. Following further discussion, the proposed policy on requesting a leave of absence was returned to the Faculty Governance Committee for further consideration.

C. Faculty Grievance Committee Gene Hughes (Business), Chair of the Committee, presented an overview of the 1999-2000 Committee activities. He noted that a revised overview was available at the Faculty Senator's seats. (Please call the Faculty Senate office at ext. 6537 if you are interested in obtaining a copy of the revised report.) There was no discussion and the report was cepted as presented.

D. Unit Code Screening Committee Ralph Scott (Academic Library Services), Chair of the Committee, first noted that the School of Education's Unit Code of Operation was being withdrawn from consideration at this time. The School's code is pending additional revisions that the Committee will consider at a meeting later this month. He then presented the School of Music's Code of Operation for the Senate's approval. There was no discussion and the revised School of Music's Code of Operation was approved as presented. RESOLUTION #00-27

genda Item VI. New Business

There was no new business to come before the Faculty Senate at this time.

There being no further business to come before the Faculty Senate at this time, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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### FACULTY SENATE RESOLUTION APPROVED AT THE 10 OCTOBER 2000, MEETING

Revised School of Music Code of Operation. 00-27 Chancellor **Disposition:** 

