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**EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY  
FACULTY SENATE  
FULL MINUTES OF MARCH 22, 2005**

The seventh regular meeting of the 2004-2005 Faculty Senate was held on Tuesday, March 22, 2005, in the Mendenhall Student Center Great Room.

**Agenda Item I. Call to Order**

Catherine Rigsby (Geology), Chair of the Faculty, called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

**Agenda Item II. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of February 22, 2005, were approved as presented.

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

**A. Roll Call**

Senators absent were: Professors Wang (Geography), Estes (Health and Human Performance), Robinson (Math), Pofahl and Willson (Medicine), and Vice Chancellor Lehman.

Alternates present were: Professors Walker for Culbertson (Allied Health Sciences), Capehart for Kalmus (Biology), Bullington for Tropf (Communication), Stapleton for Preston (Education), Hodge for Thomson (Education), Abrahamson for Tabrizi (Technology and Computer Science).

**B. 40th Anniversary Recognition**

Chair Rigsby noted that today the Faculty Senate was celebrating the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the ECU Faculty Senate, which had its first meeting in March of 1965. As part of the celebration, she noted that she was pleased to welcome the past Chairs of the Faculty seated in the back of the room.

Those individuals dedicated their time, energy, and belief in shared governance to ECU and, as a result of their leadership, and of the hard work of those they led, ECU has the most successful system of shared governance in the UNC system. Chair Rigsby stated that the faculty are happy to have all of them present at the meeting today and thanked them for leading ECU so far.

In their honor, Professor Mark Sprague (Physics) presented a resolution. There was no discussion and the resolution commending the past Chairs of the Faculty was approved with unanimous applause. **RESOLUTION #05-12**

Professor John C. Ellen (retired-History) represented the group and spoke about his time as Chair from 1966-1967. He recalled the early efforts of behalf of a Faculty Senate under President Leo Jenkins. The first bylaws were approved in 1965 and the first chair was James Poindexter of English.

Professor Jim Joyce (Physics) Chair of the Faculty from 1989-1991 took a moment to recognize Ms. Lori Lee, the Administrative Officer within the Faculty Senate. He stated that serving in this capacity is a particularly challenging job with the supervisor (Chair of the Faculty) changing every one or two years. He noted that this position requires interaction with a number of frequently changing administrators at all levels. As the Faculty Senate and its standing academic committees have grown and taken on more responsibilities, Professor Joyce noted that the administrative officer in this position must utilize tact, even diplomacy, and a high level of discretion and confidentiality when interacting with a variety of University personnel. He stated that the person in this position often has to interact with faculty who may be upset about grievances and not at their best. Professor Joyce stated that he was blessed to be able to hire Ms. Lee just as he took office in 1989 and that her behind-the-scenes efforts and organizational skills enabled many of the accomplishments of the Faculty Senate during the past 16 years. Hence, he requested that the Faculty Senate also

Recognize Ms. Lori Lee along with the Former Chairs of the Faculty for her service and dedication to the University. Following Professor Joyce's remarks, the Faculty Senate gave Ms. Lee a standing ovation in recognition for her efforts on behalf of all faculty at East Carolina University.

C. Announcements

1. The Chancellor has approved the following resolutions from the February 22, 2005, Faculty Senate meeting:
  - 05-04 Revised general education goals and objectives, entitled Goals of the Liberal Arts Foundations Curriculum.
  - 05-06 Curriculum matters contained in the University Curriculum Committee minutes of the January 27, 2005, and February 10, 2005, Committee meetings.
  - 05-07 Interpretation to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix L. relating to code unit changes.
  - 05-08 Revision to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix L. relating to procedures for developing criteria for salary increases (still requires the Board of Trustees' approval).
  - 05-09 Revision to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix C. relating to personnel policies and procedures (still requires the Board of Trustees' approval).
  - 05-10 New Department of Nutrition and Hospitality Management Unit Code of Operation.
  - 05-11 Revised Department of Mathematics Unit Code of Operation.
2. The Research/Creative Activity Grants Committee Guidelines for 2006-2007 grants are now available online at: <http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/AcademicCommittees/rg/proposal.htm>. Revisions are being made to the Teaching Grant Guidelines and they will be available following the April 19 Faculty Senate meeting.
3. Academic Committee Chairs are reminded that Committee Annual Reports are due in the Faculty Senate office by Monday, May 2, 2005.
4. Faculty members are reminded that April 1 Chancellor Ballard will call for candidates for the prestigious 2005/2006 Oliver Max Gardner award. A copy of the University's nomination procedures is available at: <http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/AcademicCommittees/aa/OliverMaxGardnerAward.htm>.
5. A special thanks was extended to Faculty Senate Alternates Michele Eble (English) and Harold Stone (Technology and Computer Science) for assisting with the guests during the meeting.
6. A preliminary call for nominations for the *Board of Governors Award for Excellence in Teaching*, *Board of Governors Distinguished Professor for Teaching Award*, *Alumni Award for Outstanding Teaching*, and *University Award for Outstanding Teaching* will be distributed soon to all academic unit heads. Copies of the different award nominating procedures are available in the Center for Faculty Development (124 Ragsdale) and Faculty Senate office (140 Rawl Annex). The nomination materials will be due in September 2005, with the award winners recognized in Spring 2006.
7. The annual Teaching Awards Ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, April 26, 2005, at 11:00 a.m. in the Mendenhall Student Center Great Room. A reception will follow immediately afterwards. Faculty awarded for their teaching achievements will be recognized at this event. All faculty are welcome to attend.

D. Chancellor's Report

Chancellor Ballard congratulated the members of the Senate on its anniversary and thanked the past chairs. Although he was not ready to announce his selections for the Vice Chancellor positions, he explained the process he had followed. The chancellor considered leadership qualities and competencies as he reviewed the candidates and considered his choices. He added that the final candidate for the Diversity position was on campus and that search would be concluding soon. He

Also thanked the members of the search committees for their hard work and strong recommendations. A search committee for the Vice Chancellor for University Development had been formed, including two members of the Faculty Senate. He also announced that the state would likely be requesting a permanent budget reduction up to 4%, an unfortunate turn of events since new enrollment money would not be enough to deal with this reduction. He asked that the Senate work with him to find the ways to accomplish these cuts. Rigsby added that the University Budget Committee would be willing to work with the administration on the proposed cuts, as they have done in the past.

No questions were posed to Chancellor Ballard at this time.

E. Vice Chancellor's Report

Garrie Moore, Vice Chancellor for Student Life, was unable to attend the Senate meeting because of a scheduled meeting with the final candidate for Assistant Vice Chancellor for Diversity. He agreed to attend a future meeting to discuss activities within the Division.

Jim Smith, Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, had forwarded a written report to the Senators prior to the meeting. In addition to the report, he took a moment to thank the past Chairs of the Faculty for their service and dedication to the University.

No questions were posed to Interim Vice Chancellor Smith at this time.

F. Catherine Rigsby, Chair of the Faculty

Chair Rigsby noted that in the interest of time, she would update the body on only two items. She thanked all of the faculty members who participated in the Vice Chancellor searches, attended forums, sent in evaluation forms, etc., noting that faculty participation is a responsibility that we must not neglect. She reminded everyone that next week is Founders' Week and the Chancellor's installation ceremony. She urged all to attend as many of the events as possible and suggested that they consult the ECU website for the various schedules.

G. Moment in History

Henry Ferrell (History) provided some history of ECU in anticipation of our Centennial year, 2007. Ferrell continued his discussion of the founding of ECU and noted the lack of an "ivory tower." Changes occurred as the farmers in eastern North Carolina went overseas to fight in World War I and students were recruited helped to farm the land. Since many teachers also went to war, East Carolina was providing certification for high school teachers. Wright took the lead in passing a bond issue, which led to many upgrades and changes, including the name change to East Carolina Teacher's College.

H. Spring 2005 Graduation Roster

Glascoff (Health and Human Performance) moved the approval of the Spring 2005 Graduation Roster, including honors program graduates, subject to the completion of degree requirements. The graduation roster was approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #05-13**

I. Question Period

Faculty are encouraged to participate in the Question Period of the Faculty Senate meeting. This period allows faculty an opportunity to ask questions of administrators and others present relating to activities of the administration or Faculty Senate committees.

Pravica (Mathematics) asked how the increased cost of fuel affected the budget. Chancellor Ballard responded that costs had risen over the last 3 years and the University would continue to strive to reduce usage in order to counteract some of the increases.

Kim (Art and Design) questioned the quality of reading materials and food available for students at Mendenhall Student Center. Students form a perception of the university based on small things such as these. Vice Chancellor Smith responded that he believed this was a serious concern and would be addressed in the future as Academic Affairs and Student Life professional staffs begin joint meetings. Rigsby asked if faculty might be included. Smith replied that the meetings were open and faculty would be welcome. As the specific work begins, there would be opportunities for faculty to work with them.

#### 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. University Curriculum Committee

Tim Hudson (Math), Chair of the Committee, presented the curriculum matters contained in the February 24, 2005, and March 10, 2005, University Curriculum Committee minutes. There was no discussion and the curriculum matters contained in the February 24, 2005, and March 10, 2005, University Curriculum Committee minutes were approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #05-14**

##### B. Calendar Committee

Jeff Phipps (Theatre and Dance), Vice Chair of the Committee, presented the proposed 2006-2007 University Calendar. He briefly discussed two recent correspondences he had received on the proposed calendars. One requested an extra day between first and second summer sessions. Adopting that change would have meant elimination of the July 4 holiday and the Calendar Committee chose not to adopt the suggested change. He also noted that Professor Gares had asked if Spring Semester could begin a week later. Phipps explained that the committee discussed various dates but determined that the dates presented in the calendar would best accommodate all activities of the university.

Scott (Academic Library Services) asked about the class that met in the Joyner Library over Spring break. Phipps responded that perhaps a professor set that up individually, but he had no such information. Rigsby noted that it would not be a Calendar Committee issue and the library is open during spring break. Scott added that this particular class began after the 5 pm closing time and required extra staff time. Rigsby further added that any faculty member asking a class to meet during the break should make appropriate arrangements. Following a brief discussion, the 2006-2007 University Calendar was approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #05-15**

##### C. Committee on Committees

Henry Ferrell (History), Chair of the Committee, first presented the second reading of a proposed addition to the charges of all Faculty Senate Academic Committees. Sugar (Education) asked why the addition did not include the graduate catalog. Rigsby responded that the Faculty Senate was responsible for only undergraduate curriculum and policies. **RESOLUTION #05-16**

Professor Ferrell then presented the second reading of a charge for the new Faculty Senate Academic Committee called the University Athletics Committee. Morrison (Chemistry) spoke in favor of the new committee, stating that this showed a clear message from the Senate that athletics and academics were connected. Allred (Psychology) asked for a clarification on the quorum necessary. Ferrell noted that the quorum was 5 members of the committee, rather than the usual four. Following discussion, the proposed addition to the charges of all Faculty Senate Academic Committees was approved as presented. Allred (Psychology) asked for a clarification on the number of faculty that will serve on the committee. Ferrell responded that there would be 8 faculty members, 5 elected by the Faculty Senate and 3 appointed by the Chancellor. Following a brief discussion, the proposed new charge for the University Athletics Committee, making it a standing Faculty Senate Academic Committee was approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #05-17**

D. Faculty Governance Committee

Dee Dee Glascoff (Health and Human Performance) first presented the second reading of proposed revisions to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix A. Faculty Constitution. She noted that once the Faculty Senate acted on this revision, the general faculty would have an opportunity to approve the revised Constitution at Faculty Convocation on August, 2005. Chancellor Ballard would then be asked to act on the revisions.

Scott (Academic Library Services) noted that Section V required a unit to have a minimum of 7 faculty members and asked what would happen to that unit if there were fewer than 7. Glascoff responded that other sections of the manual would address that process. Rigsby pointed out that the number, 7, was consistent with other sections of the manual. Niswander (Business) pointed out that this statement would require the Senate to act if a unit fell below the number 7, or if that number or other aspects of the manual changed. Rigsby pointed out that the problem arose in the second sentence of the revision and suggested a motion would be appropriate.

Reisch (Business) moved to change Section V to read: "Except for the academic libraries, each code unit shall be responsible for at least one degree program." Scott (Academic Library Services) spoke against the motion because the number 7 was present for an important reason and it appeared elsewhere in the code. Governance needs to explain why that number. Glascoff responded that it was in other sections of the manual. If a unit fell below that number, there were processes to follow; first it might mean that a new faculty member needed to be hired.

Niswander (Business) spoke in favor of the motion stating that, since it was a constitutional issue and it takes the votes of the entire faculty to change the constitution, not stating the exact number would allow for the constitution to stand even though other aspects of the manual might change. Rigsby agreed that the changes in appendix A should not have to be made frequently.

Painter (Allied Health Sciences) asked if a unit was the same thing as a department. Glascoff responded that it depended on the code; some departments were code units, while in other cases, the schools were. Long (History) pointed out that the number 7 was present in other parts of the code as the minimum size of a department. Glascoff pointed out that the absence of the number in this section would not create an inconsistency in the manual. The significant part of the section is the first sentence. Rigsby also responded that because the section referred to processes approved by the Senate, the absence of the number would not create a problem.

Following a brief discussion, the motion to reword the sentence in Section V. was approved as presented. The proposed revisions to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix A. Faculty Constitution were then approved as amended. **RESOLUTION #05-18**

Professor Glascoff then presented the second reading of proposed revisions to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix A. By-Laws. There was no discussion and the proposed revisions were approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #05-19**

E. Faculty Welfare Committee

Melissa Nasea (Health Sciences Library), Chair of the Committee, presented a resolution on domestic partners. Hanrahan (Medicine) asked for a definition of domestic partners. Nasea responded that the use of the term and its definition would be determined by what was acceptable in various policies. Ciesielski (Technology and Computer Sciences) spoke against the resolution stating that he didn't know what the phrase meant. Rigsby replied that it could be defined in different ways and that the exact definition should be considered for application in policies where possible. The committee's resolution would ask the administration to consider the use of domestic partners in policies. Sprague (Physics) provided the following definition [from the Merriam Webster Dictionary online]: "either one of an unmarried heterosexual or homosexual cohabiting couple especially when considered as to eligibility for spousal benefits."

Christian (Business) stated that he was against the motion because the body should not support something unacceptable to the faculty and that the College of Business faculty probably would not support this resolution. Nasea explained that UNC-Asheville had domestic partners as a part of its policy. The Faculty Welfare Committee wanted to include domestic partners in the policy but felt it was important for the Faculty Senate to have this discussion.

Yarbrough (Political Science) questioned if the Faculty Senate could send this back to the Committee and work with the administration to include a definition. Rigsby noted that this issue had been discussed as part of the Leave Policy in consultation with the administration, particularly Human Resources, but the committee chose not to include it in order to ensure passage of the policy as it moved through the hierarchy.

Sugar (Education) noted that UNC-Asheville had included the phrase "domestic partners" in their current Serious Illness and Disability Policy and it had been approved by the Board of Governors. He then offered a friendly motion to include the definition of domestic partner in the resolution. Nasea (Health Sciences Library) then read from an overview of UNC-Asheville's policy. Allred (Psychology) asked about the legalities involved with the insertion of domestic partners. Wetherington (University Attorney) responded that she was not certain about all the legal implications with the various state agencies involved. Brown (Education) expressed concern about the use of "domestic partner" in university policies that pertained to students and how it would affect roommates. Ciesielski (Technology and Computer Science) asked about other definitions of "domestic partner" and again expressed his concern about voting on this issue without a clear definition. McMillen (Medicine) asked about the definitions of cohabitation and common law marriage in state law. Wetherington stated that common law marriage was not recognized in North Carolina; all such arrangements were considered cohabitations and were not legal.

Christian (Business) asked other senators to consider what the reaction would be if we passed this resolution condoning something illegal and then the community read about it in the paper tomorrow

Rigsby noted that the University Attorney's role was to provide a strict definition by law, but she was not convinced that by voting on this resolution we would be supporting an illegal action. Sugar (Education) reminded the senate that UNC-Asheville's policy included domestic partners and had been approved and therefore must be legal. Nasea again read from the overview of the policies of each of the state's campuses.

Deena (English) suggested that we need more guidelines before choosing this avenue. Rigsby noted that the committee had input from the attorney's office, although, Nasea added, no representative was present during discussion of the resolution on domestic partners. Yarbrough (Political Science) asked for another reading of UNC-A's policy. Nasea repeated the section that included care-giving for domestic partners as a reason for a leave.

Taggart (Music) spoke in favor of the motion, stating that he understood what the term meant and that we needed to be more humane. Ciesielski (Technology and Computer Science) stated that with this resolution, the senate was making a judgment on traditional values. The motion to include the definition of domestic partner in the resolution failed.

Fallon (Foreign Languages) stated that the final phrase was ambiguous and asked what the "appropriate ECU policies" were. Niswander (Business) made a motion to refer the resolution back to the Faculty Welfare Committee for clarification and possible rewording, suggesting that there would be political repercussions regardless of how senators voted. Glascoff (Health and Human Performance) spoke in favor of sending the resolution back because, in the spirit of shared governance, it was not the purview of the Faculty Senate, nor was it appropriate, to tell the administration what to do. This should be sent back to committee with the direction to discuss this issue with the administration. Holloway (Business) supported the motion, adding that the reference to staff and students should be reconsidered since those groups did not have a chance to act on this resolution. Taggart (Music) reluctantly spoke in favor of the motion. Hanrahan (Medicine) also spoke in favor of the motion. Allred (Psychology) spoke in favor of the motion and also thanked the committee for the work they had done. Long (History) called the question and the motion to refer the resolution back to the Faculty Welfare Committee for clarification and possible rewording was approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #05-20**

Professor Nasea then presented the proposed ECU Serious Illness and Disability Policy. She noted that the Committee had worked on this policy for over 2 years, had held hearings, and had presented it to the Faculty Senate twice in the previous academic year. Nasea pointed out several sections of the new policy and how it was an improvement when compared to the current default policy.

Scott (Academic Library Services) asked for a point of clarification in Section III.B. of what "paid leave for up to 15 calendar weeks" meant. Nasea responded that, since illnesses did not follow the academic calendar and some employees covered by the policy had 12-month contracts, it was inappropriate to specify "academic" calendar. Scott (Academic Library Services) then made a motion to add "academic" after "15." Allred (Psychology) spoke against the motion, stating that this would only confuse the faculty because it did not matter whether the 15 weeks was in the academic year or not. Sugar (Education) also spoke against the motion, stating that it would only confuse people. Long (History) called the question and the motion to add "academic" after "15" in Section III.B. failed.

Sugar (Education) noted that the Faculty Welfare Committee had worked hard on drafting this policy and that the current proposed policy is much better than the default policy being mandated by the

Board of Governors. Ciesielski (Technology and Computer Science) asked for clarification of the phrase "up to one year." Nasea responded that it was for one illness. Long (History) noted that he thought this was a good policy. Following discussion, the proposed ECU Serious Illness and Disability Policy was approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #05-21**

Professor Nasea then presented a proposed addition to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Part V. relating to Mace Bearer. Killingsworth (Business) asked what the current policy was. Rigsby responded that currently, the only criterion used is longevity and a policy needed to be in place when the current mace bearer retired. Scott (Academic Library Services) asked if would this eliminate the current mace bearer. Nasea responded yes.

Niswander (Business) stated that the Senate should not ceremonially exclude the current Mace Bearer from continuing in this capacity. He then made a motion to include a clause that stated that this policy would take effect at such time that the current Mace Bearer no longer qualifies. Holloway (Business) stated his support for the grandfather clause.

Fallon (Foreign Languages) stated that he thought it was ironic that the Faculty Senate spent so much time on this and so little on the discussion on the resolution on domestic partners. Scott (Academic Library Services) spoke against the motion stating he did not know what the Senate was trying to do. McGhee (Health and Human Performance) stated that it was simply a way to fill the Mace Bearer position once it becomes vacant.

Long (History) asked for clarification of the motion and the current rules. Glascoff (Health and Human Performance) also asked for clarification, specifically in the case of a retired faculty member returning to teach. Niswander replied that he would amend his motion to read "current Mace Bearer no longer qualifies under the rules in effect at this time or May 2007, whichever comes first." Ciechalski (Technology and Computer Science) spoke in favor of the motion. The motion to include a clause in the proposed new policy that stated that this policy would take effect at such time that the current Mace Bearer no longer qualifies under the rules in effect at this time or May 2007, whichever comes first was approved as presented.

McKinnon (Interior Design and Merchandising) called the question. Following a lengthy discussion, the proposed addition to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Part V. relating to Mace Bearer was approved as amended. **RESOLUTION #05-22**

Professor Nasea then presented a proposed revision to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Part VI. relating to parking privileges for retired faculty members. She noted that this revision was needed to bring the *ECU Faculty Manual* in line with current University policy.

Morrison (Chemistry) spoke against the proposed change in the manual, stating that when the Faculty Senate approved the new parking plan a few years ago, an impact study was to be done by George Harrell, Senior Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities Administration, on the 1.1 oversell of A1 parking decals. He was also directed to report to the Senate regularly. Rigsby reported that Chancellor Ballard was aware of the decisions of the Parking and Transportation Committee and the Senate and that some of these things had not happened.

Cope (Psychology) spoke against the revision stating that if administration can have defined reserved spots then faculty deserve the same. Deena (English) spoke against the motion stating that it is the least the University could do for the years of service given by the retired faculty members.

Morrison (Chemistry) made a motion to revise #8 of the text to read for all retired faculty members "Free campus parking permit with "A" zone privileges (without a waiting list)." Chair Rigsby asked how would this impact the parking situation on campus. Morrison responded that offering "A" zone parking decals for retired faculty would have a minimal impact on the overall parking situation. Interim VC Smith noted that Chancellor Ballard's memo last Fall on this dictated the parking policy and that the Faculty Senate's rejection of the current policy should be noted in the correspondence to the Chancellor about the resolutions. Chair Rigsby stated that that would be done.

McGhee (Health and Human Performance) spoke in favor of the motion stating that 8 of the emeriti Chairs of the Faculty needed special parking privileges since they did not have A-1 parking decals. Deena (English) spoke in favor of the motion noting that many retired faculty are valuable and an enrichment to the community and City of Greenville. Fallon (Foreign Languages) called the question.

The revision to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Part VI. relating to parking privileges for retired faculty members was approved as amended. **RESOLUTION #05-23**

F. Libraries Committee

Marianna Walker (Allied Health Sciences), Chair of the Committee, presented the 2004/2005 summary budget for the Joyner Library, Virtual Library, and Health Sciences Library. Sugar (Education) asked how this budget compared to other UNC campuses. Walker responded that she did not have that information available. Spencer added that we had a larger purchasing budget than Duke University and were the 5th research library in the State. Following a brief discussion, the budget summary was accepted as presented.

G. Unit Code Screening Committee

Garris Conner (Nursing), Chair of the Committee, presented the new College of Technology and Computer Science Unit Code of Operation. There was no discussion and the new unit code was approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #05-24**

Agenda Item VI. New Business

A. Resolution on the Internationalization Goals for 2009

Seodial Deena (English), Co-Chair of the Committee, noted that the 2009 Internationalization Goals had been presented and discussed in the January 2005 Faculty Senate meeting. He now requested that the Faculty Senate approve the goals in spirit so that the Committee could move forward in their efforts. Given (Foreign Languages) stated that he was strongly in favor of the goals and supported the committee's efforts. The Faculty Senate then endorsed in spirit the Internationalization Goals for 2009 as presented by the committee in January 2005. **RESOLUTION #05-25**

B. Resolution on Campus Greenspace

Ralph Scott (Academic Library Services) presented a resolution on the use of the campus Greenspace (Frisbee golf course). Glascoff (Health and Human Performance) stated her support of this resolution noting that the first image of the University should not be a parking lot and that the area was well used by students and families.

Ciesielski (Technology and Computer Science) asked if this should not be a standing committee. Chair Rigsby responded that the Committee on Committees is charged with formulating standing Academic Committees and that a motion would need to be made to send this to the Committee on Committees if the body so desired. Allred (Psychology) stated that this would take too long in order to advise the Chancellor on this particular issue. Decker (Health and Human Performance) stated that the Ad Hoc Committee could make such a recommendation to the Committee on Committees. Yarbrough (Political Science) called the question. The resolution to form an Ad Hoc Committee to advise the Chancellor on the use of, demolition of, and care of campus Greenspace, shrubbery, and trees was approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #05-26**

The Faculty Senate then agreed to hear additional new business from David Long (History) on the motion to request the Chair of the Faculty to refer to the appropriate Faculty Senate committee the matter of looking into what can be done to improve the safety conditions on Tenth Street in the area of the campus. The full resolution states:

WHEREAS, for years there has been a major problem along Tenth Street adjacent to campus, as it is one of the most heavily traversed pedestrian areas of Pitt County, and within the described area, the two blocks from Rock Spring Road to College Hill Drive is particularly congested with students almost all day, attempting to cross four lanes of traffic that is often heavy and often traveling in excess of the posted speed limit; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the university, and its faculty, to not only provide educational opportunities for the students but to provide as well a safe environment in which they can attend class and travel without substantial risk of harm and bodily injury to themselves in order to do so; and

WHEREAS, the entrance to and exit from the access lane and parking lot immediately in front of Fletcher, Brewster, and Christenbury is used by faculty members as a parking lot, by the ECU Transportation Department as the major on campus site for university busses to deliver students arriving at and pick up students exiting from the university, and it is not uncommon to see as many as six busses in that lot at the same time, as both a delivery point and pick-up point for many students arriving by car or waiting to be picked up by somebody else; as the drop-off point for UPS, Federal Express, television news, and every other fashion of delivery vehicle, making for a very heavily congested area for both vehicular and pedestrian traffic; and

WHEREAS, vehicles exiting from the Christenbury/Brewster access lane must emerge back onto 10<sup>th</sup> Street while at the same time having to be aware of not only the usually heavy flow of vehicular traffic, but also of students crossing 10<sup>th</sup> Street or waiting for busses to pick them up on the street;

THEREFORE, in order to best address the safety concerns caused by all of the aforementioned conditions, the ECU Faculty Senate does hereby resolve that the Chair of the Faculty should refer to the appropriate committee of the Senate, the matter of looking into what can be done to improve the safety conditions on Tenth Street in the area of the campus, and consider the feasibility of having speed bumps, reduced speed limit, pedestrian bridges and/or tunnels, and other means designed to reduce the incidence of vehicular/pedestrian confrontations in this area, and report back to the Senate on their findings by the end of Fall semester 2005.

Sprague (Physics) stated his support for this resolution and noted that he had seen a student hit by a car in this location and that something definitely needed to be done. Sugar (Education) called the question and the motion to request the Chair of the Faculty to refer this safety issue to the appropriate Faculty Senate committee was approved as presented. **RESOLUTION #05-27**

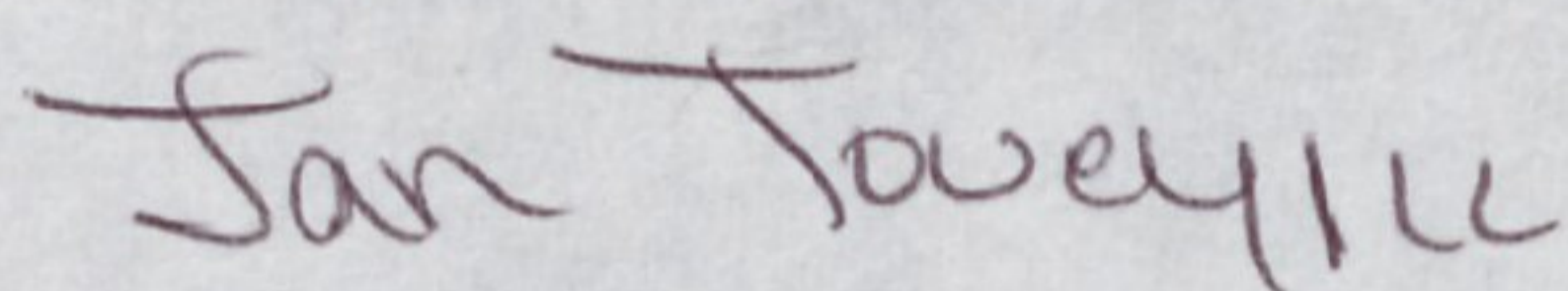
Scott (Academic Library Services) then moved to have the Faculty Senate consider additional new business and elect the five members to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee to advise the Chancellor on the use of, demolition of, and care of campus Greenspace, shrubbery, and trees. Due to the late hour, Yarbrough (Political Science) moved adjournment. By a standing vote, the motion failed.

Niswander (Business) made a motion to empower the Chair of the Faculty to appoint the five faculty members to the Ad Hoc Committee. There was no objection and the motion was approved as presented. Chair Rigsby appointed the following faculty members to the Ad Hoc Committee to advise the Chancellor on the use of, demolition of, and care of campus Greenspace, shrubbery, and trees:

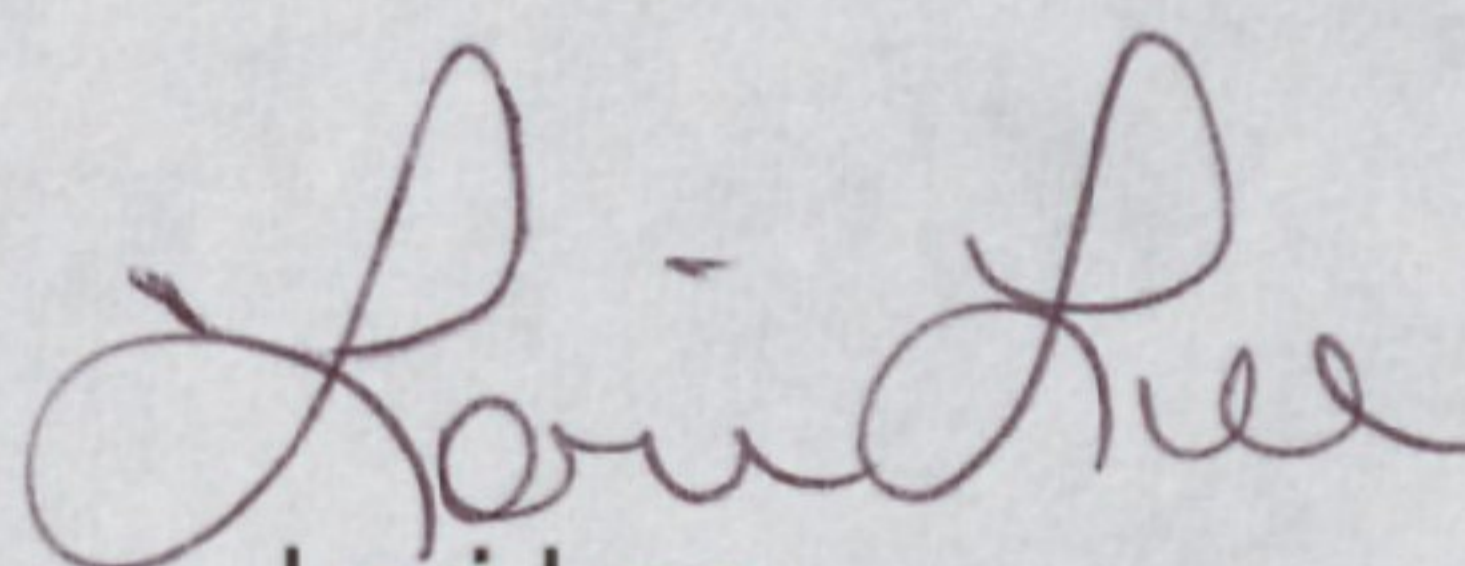
Hunt McKinnon (Interior Design and Merchandising)  
Ralph Scott (Academic Library Services)  
Harold Stone (Technology and Compute Science)  
Dee Dee Glascoff (Health and Human Performance)  
Joy Stapleton (Education)

There being no further business to come before the body at this time, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jan Tovey  
Secretary of the Faculty  
Department of English



Lori Lee  
Administrative Officer  
Faculty Senate

## FACULTY SENATE RESOLUTIONS APPROVED AT THE MARCH 22, 2005, MEETING

05-12 Resolution Commending the Past Chairs of the Faculty.

Whereas, Professors Adler, Anderson, Atkeson, Ayers, Benjamin, Davis, Ellen, Ferrell, Finch, Johnson, Joyce, Killingsworth, McDaniel, Morrison, Moskop, Niswander, Poindexter, Price, Rosenfeld, Sexauer, Smith, Wilson, and Woodside have served with distinction as Chair of the Faculty from the 1965 through 2004 academic years; and

Whereas, These distinguished former chairs have dedicated their time and effort to activities that have benefited all faculty at East Carolina University, and who have led our efforts in that fragile balancing act called shared governance as we tried, in the words of Don Sexauer, "to solve problems and implement policies in a manner that benefits all constituencies of the university;" and

Whereas, Under these distinguished former chairs East Carolina University has moved from a regional teachers' college to the university we know today.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as we commemorate the 40th anniversary of the first meeting of the East Carolina University Faculty Senate, the 2004-2005 Faculty Senate thanks these distinguished former chairs for their leadership, professionalism and efforts on our behalf and on behalf of all the students and faculty of East Carolina University.

**Disposition:** Faculty Senate

05-13 Spring 2005 Graduation Roster, including honors program graduates, subject to the completion of degree requirements.

**Disposition:** Chancellor, Board of Trustees

05-14 Curriculum matters contained in the February 24, 2005, and March 10, 2005, University Curriculum Committee minutes.

**Disposition:** Chancellor

05-15 2006-2007 University Calendar.

**Disposition:** Chancellor

05-16 Add to all of the charges of the Faculty Senate Academic Committees the following additional responsibility: "The Committee reviews at least annually those sections within the *University Undergraduate Catalog* that correspond to the Committee's charge and recommend changes as necessary."

**Disposition:** Faculty Senate

05-17 New charge for the University Athletics Committee making it a standing Faculty Senate Academic Committee.

**Disposition:** Chancellor

05-18 Revised *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix A. Faculty Constitution.

**Disposition:** General Faculty, Chancellor

05-19 Revised *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix A. By-Laws.

**Disposition:** Chancellor

- 05-20 Resolution on domestic partners referred back to the Faculty Welfare Committee for clarification and possible rewording.

**Disposition:** Faculty Welfare Committee

- 05-21 ECU Serious Illness and Disability Policy

**Disposition:** Chancellor, Board of Trustees, UNC General Administration, UNC Board of Governors

- 05-22 Addition to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Part V. Section I.BB. relating to Mace Bearer as follows: The mace bearer is a faculty member who leads University ceremonial events such as graduation and Founder's Day processions. The eligibility requirements to be appointed East Carolina University's mace bearer include:

- Senior faculty member in terms of years of service,
- Holds a full-time faculty position with East Carolina University, and
- Is not a unit administrator or an individual with one half or more of his/her load assigned to administrative duties.

The Associate Vice Chancellor for Human Resources prepares a list of the most senior faculty members in terms of years of service to the University and notifies the Chancellor and Chair of the Faculty. The Chancellor makes the appointment. If there is more than one qualified individual, the responsibility of the position should rotate among them."

This policy will take effect at such time that the current Mace Bearer no longer qualifies under the rules in effect at this time or May 2007, whichever comes first.

**Disposition:** Chancellor

- 05-23 Revision to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Part VI. relating to parking privileges for retired faculty to read as follows: "Free campus parking permit with "A" zone privileges (without a waiting list)."

**Disposition:** Chancellor

- 05-24 New College of Technology and Computer Science Unit Code of Operation.

**Disposition:** Chancellor

- 05-25 Endorsement in spirit of the Internationalization Goals for 2009 as presented by the committee in January 2005.

**Disposition:** Committee on Internationalization Goals for 2009

- 05-26 Formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to advise the Chancellor on the use of, demolition of, and care of campus Greenspace, shrubbery, and trees was approved as presented.

**Disposition:** Chair of the Faculty

- 05-27 Resolve that the Chair of the Faculty should refer to the appropriate committee of the Senate, the matter of looking into what can be done to improve the safety conditions on Tenth Street in the area of the campus, and consider the feasibility of having speed bumps, reduced speed limit, pedestrian bridges and/or tunnels, and other means designed to reduce the incidence of vehicular/pedestrian confrontations in this area, and report back to the Senate on their findings by the end of Fall semester 2005.

**Disposition:** Chair of the Faculty