FACULTY SENATE ANNOUNCEMENTS
November 7, 2006

1. **Speaking privileges** have been granted to members of the Academic Standards Committee and Michael Poteat, Director of Institutional Effectiveness.

2. The Center for Faculty Excellence will present "**Winning Teaching Styles**," Thursday, November 9, 2006, from 3:00 to 4:30 PM in Bate 1010. Come celebrate good teaching in its varied forms and hear some of the university-wide teaching award winning professors talk about their teaching. Three of the most recent teaching award recipients will share their love of teaching and how they do what they do so well. There will be an opportunity to ask questions. Light refreshments will be served. Please direct any questions to Professor Dorothy Clayton at 328-6470.
   Faculty members who will present are:
   Board of Governors Award for Excellence in Teaching
      Dr. Judith Hunt, Department of Management, College of Business
   Board of Governors Distinguished Professor for Teaching Award
      Dr. Kevin Moll, School of Music, College of Fine Arts and Communication
      Dr. Gregg Hecimovich, Department of English, Harriot College of Arts and Sciences

3. The Chancellor has **approved the following resolutions** from the October 10, 2006, Faculty Senate meeting:
   06-24 Curriculum matters contained in the September 28, 2006, University Curriculum Committee minutes.
   06-25 Resolution on Crime Within Our Community and Neighborhoods.

4. ECU has two new subscriptions to report: site-wide online access to the *Chronicle of Higher Education* and online access to the **Gallup Brain**. Previously, researchers had to have a username and password to access the online subscription to the Chronicle. That has now changed. Campus users may go directly to the website http://chronicle.com to read articles from 1995 to present, in addition to viewing the Almanac of Higher Education and other resources. Off-campus users must connect through a link on the library's database pages (http://www.ecu.edu/cs-lib/erdbs/erdbs_description.cfm?id=443) or search the E-Journal Locator and connect to the entry reading "Miscellaneous E-Journals."

   The Gallup Brain, the database of the Gallup Organization, features Polls, Tuesday Briefings, and more, from 1935 to the present. Connect from the library's database page: http://www.ecu.edu/cs-lib/erdbs/erdbs_description.cfm?id=436. Please direct any questions to the Joyner Library Reference Desk at 328-6677.

5. In an effort to enhance security controls on passphrase resets, ITCS will implement changes to its **passphrase reset procedures**. Users are currently encouraged to register in Signup and use this process to change their PirateID passphrase. Although many users have registered, large percentages do not change their passphrase via Signup. Effective 02/01/07, the ITCS Helpdesk will no longer reset PirateID passphrases via the telephone for campus users. All PirateID passphrase resets for campus users will occur via Signup or users will have to provide proof of identity for PirateID passphrase resets.

   ITCS has begun an awareness campaign immediately to inform the campus community of the upcoming changes. Training sessions and awareness training will occur prior to 2/01/07 to provide details on how to use Signup (PID) to reset passphrases. All users who call into the ITCS Helpdesk will receive assistance on how to register and use Signup. The ITCS Helpdesk will walk users through how to use Signup if they have any issues with the process. We also will provide resource at the Technology Resource center to provide assistance if they need hands-on support.

Plans are to review all centrally managed user accounts (MVS, Banner, IDX, etc.) and apply measures to confirm the identity of those users also. These efforts will improve security while providing a more convenient method of resetting passphrases. You may visit http://author.ecu.edu/cs-itcs/itsecurity/PassphraseReset.cfm for more details of the upcoming changes.

IT Security is available to provide additional information or to meet with any department or group to discuss the changes and receive any feedback or suggestions. Please direct any questions to Margaret Streeter, Interim Director of IT Security at 328-9187 or streeterm@ecu.edu.

6. Plans are being finalized for the University's **Centennial Celebration** that begins on March 8, 2007. This is the official 100 year anniversary of the legislation that was passed to create ECU. The campus celebration on that day will include a traditional "dinner on the grounds" which will follow a special legislative session, hopefully on ECU campus. Additional events scheduled for that afternoon will include the Chancellor's Forum on Service, where a new honor society, The Servire Society, will be formed to recognize those who do extensive service to the community. All faculty are encouraged to set aside this important day, to attend the events themselves, and to consider allowing (or requiring) their students to attend the events as well. Faculty may consider revising their Spring 2007 course syllabi and class schedules to accommodate this celebration. The Centennial will begin on this day, and it's important that the entire ECU community recognizes the accomplishment of surviving and thriving for 100 years!

7. The Committee on Committees is charged with filling <u>one</u> upcoming delegate and <u>two</u> upcoming alternate vacancies on the **UNC Faculty Assembly**. Information has been distributed to all faculty and nomination forms are due in the Faculty Senate office by Thursday, November 16, 2006.

8. Letters concerning unit elections for **2007-2008 Faculty Senate representation** will be mailed to unit code administrators in early January. In accordance with the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Appendix A, elections are to be held during the month of <u>February</u>. Please call the Faculty Senate office if you have any questions.

9. The ECU community has a history of caring and sharing with our neighbors in eastern North Carolina and the **2006 State Employees Combined Campaign** is no exception. If you have not yet participated you still have until November 30, 2006, to make your tax deductible contribution and help ECU complete the campaign on a successful note. Questions related to the campaign or to the process may be directed to Ms. Teresa Shook, assistant to campaign co-chair John Toller, at 328-9884.

10. The Committee on Committees has been charged to seek **volunteers to serve on the various academic, appellate, administrative, Board of Trustees, and student union committees**. Faculty are strongly encouraged to participate in this component of shared faculty governance and return the volunteer form by February 16, 2007. Committee appointments will be finalized at the April 2007, Faculty Senate meeting.

    Faculty members have two ways to note their preference for service on the various standing University committees.
    1) On OneStop under Employee Section, faculty members click on "Faculty Committee Volunteer Form" and complete the committee volunteer preference form. This information is then submitted directly to the Committee on Committees via the Faculty Senate office.
    2) A faculty member may complete the volunteer preference form that is available on the Faculty Senate web site at http://www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/fsonline/customcf/committee/callforvolunteers.htm and forward the completed form to the Faculty Senate office at facultysenate@ecu.edu.