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Memorandum

To: Professor Jan Tovey
Chair of the Faculty

From: Steve Ballard
Chancellor

Date: March 2, 2009

Subject: **January 2009 Faculty Senate Resolutions**

I hereby approve the following resolution which was adopted by the Faculty Senate on January 27, 2009 :

Resolution 09-04

Request for authorization to establish a new distance education degree programs (MS in Counselor Education; BS in Industrial Distribution and Logistics; BSBA in Management; BSBA in Management Information Systems; and BSBA in Marketing, Operations, and Supply Chain Management Concentration).

I am holding **Resolution 09-01** (Foundation Curriculum Courses for Humanities: ASIA 2010/GRBK 2010; GRBK 2400; GRBK 2500, and GRBK 2600) for further study.

Rationale: Appropriate academic department(s) should provide an impact analysis on faculty workload for adding these courses to the departmental offerings.

I am also holding **Resolution 09-05** (Revisions to the *ECU Faculty* Manual, Part V. Academic Information, Section III. Curriculum Development) for further study.

Rationale: Of particular concern is the stated process throughout the document in which both the University Curriculum Committee "and" the Graduate Curriculum Committee consider items for approval of new degree programs; new minors, certificates, or concentrations; and moving programs. Given that both committees are being asked to approve requests, the process at ECU needs to be in checked for agreement with SACS criteria for curriculum approval with particular attention to the process of approval of curriculum matters going to both undergraduate and graduate curriculum when the matter pertains to either the undergraduate or graduate level only. It is also important to review standards of major accrediting bodies with regard to this dual approval process as well as to determine how other institutions in the UNC system approve curriculum matters.

I am rejecting **Resolution 09-03** (Revisions to the *ECU Faculty Manual*, Part VI, Section II. Welfare and Benefits, in reference to hospitalization insurance).

Rationale: Medical insurance is a benefit provided to employees and is administered through the Department of Human Resources, which is the appropriate source for details about hospitalization/medical insurance. Because benefits of insurance coverage come from the state and are subject to change from time to time, the most direct assistance to faculty would be to provide a link to the Human Resources website that provides information about this insurance and other employee benefits. This site is regularly updated with the most current and accurate information. The Human Resources office also posts a FAQ page to make it easy for faculty to find answers to key questions.

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