

**Faculty Senate Meeting
April 17, 2012
New Business**

Mike Brown, Faculty Senator Reporting

Commendation for Marianna Walker, Chair of the Faculty

WHEREAS, Professor Marianna Walker has served as Chair of the Faculty from Fall 2009 through Spring 2012, and

WHEREAS, Professor Marianna Walker has devoted considerable time and energy to actions that benefit the entire faculty of East Carolina University, and

WHEREAS, Professor Marianna Walker has upheld the core principles of academic freedom and shared governance, and

WHEREAS, Professor Marianna Walker has directed the successful review and revision of the entire contents of the Faculty Manual, and

WHEREAS, Professor Marianna Walker has provided steady leadership during the development and implementation of extensive changes to administrative and academic policies to facilitate ECU's reaccreditation process, and

WHEREAS, Professor Marianna Walker has overseen the reorganization of existing and the creation of new Faculty Senate committees, and

WHEREAS, Professor Marianna Walker has offered skillful leadership during a severe budget crisis, and

WHEREAS, Professor Marianna Walker has contributed an evenhanded perspective during the continuing activities of the Program Prioritization Committee, and

WHEREAS, Professor Marianna Walker has integrated input from Faculty Senate committees and administrative committees, thus enhancing shared governance at ECU, and

WHEREAS, Professor Marianna Walker has admirably represented the faculty of the university at meetings with the university administration, the Board of Trustees, the Faculty Assembly, and other meetings with external and internal publics, and

WHEREAS, Professor Marianna Walker has efficaciously led the Faculty Senate through three full years of work.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Professor Marianna Walker is commended for her exemplary leadership as Chair of the Faculty.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we, the members of East Carolina University's Faculty Senate, hereby express our deep appreciation to Professor Marianna Walker for her balance, professionalism, tireless leadership and supererogatory service during her tenure as Faculty Chair of East Carolina University.