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June 19, 2012

Chancellor Steve Ballard East Carolina University Spilman Building

Dear Dr. Ballard,

On April 17, 2012, the Faculty Senate adopted the attached resolution relating to proposed revisions to Appendix C. On May 2, 2012, you approved the proposed revisions as submitted. However, recently in preparation for the upcoming July Board of Trustees meeting, I noted an error in the Committee's reporting of the proposed revisions.

As indicated below (yellow highlighting), part of this policy that we did not intend to change was lined through by accident (sub-sections 2, 3, 4 and 5). Only the text of sub-section 1 was supposed to be lined through, as only this text was being replaced with new wording. I now ask that you please rescind your earlier approval of this resolution and approve the attached corrected version of this resolution. The corrected version replaces sub-section 1 with the text you previously approved, while retaining sub-sections 2, 3, 4, and 5, which we did not intend to remove (see the attached for correct version of the resolution).

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of the University of North
Carolina. An equal
opportunity affirmative
action university, which
accommodates the needs of
individuals with disabilities.

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It is our hope that this can be handled expeditiously in order to allow the Board of Trustees to still consider this item in July in order for the new *ECU Faculty Manual* to include the updated information when distributed to faculty upon their return in the Fall.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Marianna Walker

Chair of the Faculty

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Faculty Senate Resolution #12-76

Approved by the Faculty Senate: April 17, 2012
Approved by the Chancellor: May 2, 2012
Approved by the Board of Trustees: pending

Revisions to ECU Faculty Manual, Appendix C.
Section III. Evaluation in reference to the Student Perception of Teaching Survey

Link to full Appendix C Personnel Policies and Procedures for the Faculty of East Carolina University

Additions are noted in bold print and deletions in strikethrough.

Revise and keep in the Faculty Manual.

Section III. Evaluation, 1. Teaching to read as follows:

1. Teaching

Teaching is the primary function of the university. Teaching may include classroom and laboratory instruction, student advising, mentoring student research, and other pedagogical activities. Teaching must be evaluated using multiple methods selected from the list below:

- a. review by the unit administrator and/or peers of course materials such as syllabi, reading lists, teaching outlines, audiovisual materials, student manuals, student assignments and examinations, and/or other materials prepared for or relevant to teaching.
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- f. other procedures provided for in unit codes.

The relative weight given to teaching, research/creative activity, and service in personnel decisions shall be determined by each unit code. In no case, however, shall service be weighed more heavily than either teaching or research/creative activity. (Faculty Senate Resolution #97-43, December 1997)



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Memorandum

To:

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Chair of the Faculty

From:

Steve Ballard

Chancellor

Date:

May 2, 2012

Subject:

Faculty Senate Resolutions for April, 2012

I hereby approve the following resolutions pertinent to the Faculty Manual which were adopted by the Faculty Senate at its meeting on April 17, 2012.

The remainder of the April 17 resolutions will undergo the normal review process with a decision to be forthcoming.

Faculty Senate Resolution 12-64

Revision to the ECU Faculty Manual, Part III. Academic Freedom to include a link to the Statement on Student Academic Freedom (once approved). (Please refer to FS #12-63 for proposed statement.)

Faculty Senate Resolution 12-70

Revisions to the ECU Faculty Manual, Part VI. General Personnel Policies, Section I. Employment Policies, Subsection J. Salary Policies.

Faculty Senate Resolution 12-76

Revisions to ECU Faculty Manual, Appendix C. Section III. Evaluation in reference to the Student Perception of Teaching Survey.

The following resolutions are approved with changes as noted below:

Faculty Senate Resolution 12-65

Revisions to the ECU Faculty Manual, Part I. Introduction.

In the third paragraph, add quotes to the statement "as an organized voice for the faculty of East Carolina University to enable faculty to play a broader role in the decisional mainstream of the institution."

Upon discovering unintended editorial mistakes, I hereby rescind my approval of May 2, 2012 of Faculty Senate Resolution 12-76, revisions to Appendix C. Section III. Evaluation in reference to the Student Perception of Teaching Survey, as originally worded.

In Appendix C, Section III – Annual Evaluation, or reorganized Part VIII, Section I (III), the following subsections 2, 3, 4, and 5 should not be deleted and should follow the section (1.) on teaching as it currently states.

I hereby approve the corrected version of Faculty Senate Resolution 12-76, as noted below.

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