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Memorandum

To: Professor Jan Tovey
Chair of the Faculty

From: Steve Ballard
Chancellor

Date: August 13, 2008

Subject: April Resolution 08-17

Regarding Resolution 08-17, ECU's deadline to respond to Phase 1 of the UNC Tomorrow Report was May 1. That deadline did not allow ECU's Response Team time to address the items contained in the resolution, and therefore I will reject this resolution.

I asked Vice Chancellor Mageean, Co-Chair of ECU's UNC Tomorrow Response Team, to address the items contained in Resolution 08-17 and her response is attached. I believe that Dr. Mageean and members of the Response Team will continue to work with you and faculty across campus as we move forward with the UNC Tomorrow report.

Attachment: Response from Dr. Mageean re: 08-17

pc: Faculty Senate Officers
Dr. Marilyn Sheerer, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic
And Student Affairs
Dr. Phyllis Horns, Interim Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences
Dr. Deirdre Mageean, Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate

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Mr. Robert Greczyn, ECU BOT Chairman
Ms. Donna Payne, University Attorney

Steve:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with some information relating to faculty Senate resolution 8-17. I hope that the following is of some help.

Shortly before the deadline for submission to GA we notified Dr. Taggart that we would not be able to get the report to Faculty Senate prior to May 1st because of writing and editing right up to the deadline but we did send a copy to Lori Lee at the same time that we sent it to GA and your office. Prior to that I requested and was granted frequent opportunities to update faculty senate members verbally on the process and progress of the report writing.

The Chair of the Faculty did solicit a response from faculty and we met with the faculty officers and other faculty later in May to discuss those responses from Faculty which had been sent to the Senate Offices. When Dr Tovey took over from Dr Taggart I had a meeting with her at which I briefed her on both UNC Tomorrow and the Carnegie application (she sits on both committees).

In addition to strong faculty representation on the UNC Tomorrow Team and the sub-committees we held a number of public forums on both campuses. All the working papers prepared by the members are archived and available on a Sharepoint site which was accessible to the team. Because of the overwhelming amount of material from the sub-committees we did not post them directly on the web page but, as public documents, they are available, upon request, to any faculty, staff or student. The final report is posted on the R&GS web site and the Faculty Senate web site. It has come to my attention that it is not on Academic Affairs web site but I am in touch with that office to get that rectified.

The first meeting of the team to start work on Phase 2 of the report was held last week. Once the semester begins we will be meeting bi-monthly, and the schedule will be posted on our web page and sent to the Faculty Senate office. These are public meetings and open to anyone who wishes to attend. A full list of the team members is posted and minutes can also be made available. Drafts of the report will be made available for review and comment. I have informed Dr. Tovey that I am committed to frequent reporting to the full Senate and am happy to attend meetings of those committees that have expressed an interest/concern in elements of the report. We will work with her office to schedule additional public forums on Phase 2 of the report.

Please let me know if you require any additional information.

Deirdre

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