Committee on Committees

East Carolina University

February 10, 2000; 4:00 p.m.; Rawl 106

Attendance: Ferrell, Neal, Morrison, Miller, Sexauer, Killingsworth

Absent: Taggart, Scott

The minutes of January 13 were approved as distributed.

The committee continued discussion of the work of academic committees.

Admissions and Recruitment--There are questions of undue influence by ex officio members. Does the membership need to be changed?

Calendar--High absentee rate among both elected and exofficio membership was noted. The committee should consider reducing the number of members--possibly to 7--and modifying stipulations on membership.

Career Education--The committee appears not to be meeting its charge. Our committee needs to meet with administrators dealing with career education issues to better assess the necessity for this committee.

Continuing Education--Questions of oversight of continuing education programs still arise especially the need for faculty teaching in these programs to be approved by the unit personnel committee. There is a need for this committee to report more frequently on the activities of the continuing education/summer school office.

Course Drop Appeals--Consider combining this committee with others doing similar activities as an Academic Appeals committee and grouping it with other appellate committees.

The committee should consider requiring the various academic committees to report to the Faculty Senate at specific times during the year.

The committee should consider the establishment of an academic quality committee to address questions/concerns about facilities, general education, teaching quality and effectiveness, and program assessment, and/or other items related to maintaining the quality of academic programs.

The next meeting will be on March 9 at 2:00 p.m. and the items to be covered will include an overview of committee functioning and recommendations for changes and consideration of a request to change the charge of the Continuing Education committee.

There being no further business, the committee adjourned at 5:00 p.m.