COMMITTEE: Faculty Governance Committee

MEETING DATE: October 11, 2000

PERSON PRESIDING: Henry Ferrell

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Linda Allred, Henry Ferrell, Paul Hartley, Jim Joyce, Mark Taggart, Tinsley Yarbrough

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Bob Morrison, Brenda Killingsworth, Ralph Scott, Ben Irons, Richard Ringeisen, Worth Worthington

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Ulf Karlsson, Past Chair of the Appellate Hearing Committee

ACTIONS OF MEETING:
1. The minutes of the September 13, 2000 meeting were approved.

2. Ulf Karlsson, Past Chair of the Appellate Hearing Committee, presented to the committee a document their committee approved in May, 2000 which contained recommendations changing the hearing procedures of appellate committees. ACTION: The chair requested that the committee remember Professor Karlsson's presentation, as its discussion will become an agenda item for a future meeting.

3. The committee then discussed the policy of Leaves of Absence, which was returned to the committee by the Faculty Senate. The committee agreed to describe a Leave of Absence as "a professional leave for a semester or more" and to insert this phrase as an editorial change to their policy.

4. There was some discussion to revise the annual faculty form to accommodate the designation of "Exemplary, Satisfactory and Deficient". Some discussion followed as to why this needed to be done. ACTION: the committee passed a motion to not change the annual faculty forms.

5. There followed a discussion of Faculty Workload policies. It was discussed that the current evaluative tool is riddled with inconsistencies in describing workload across campus.

6. The committee discussed current procedures for appointment of unit administrators. The chair called for a special meeting to be arranged with the academic committee chair of the Board of Trustees in order to discuss these concerns.

7. The committee then adjourned until its next regularly scheduled meeting on
Wednesday, November 8.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Taggart, secretary