FACULTY SENATE

FULL MINUTES OF 26 JANUARY 1999

The fifth regular meeting of the 1998-99 Faculty Senate was held on
Tuesday, 26 January 1999, in the Mendenhall Student Center Great
Room.

Agenda Item I. Call to Order
Vice Chair Donald Neal called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

Agenda Item II. Approval of Minutes
The minutes of 8 December 1998, were approved as presented.

Agenda Item III. Special Order of the Day
A. Roll Call
Senators absent were: Professors Wolfe (Anthropology), Singhas
(Biology), Gabbard and White (Education), Gares (Geography),
Kennedy (Industry and Technology), Dolezal, Dudek, and Metzger
(Medicine), Chancellor Eakin, Vice Chancellor Feldbush, Administrative
Council Representative Lowe (Social Work and Criminal Justice
Studies) and Chair of the Faculty Killingsworth (Business).

Alternates present were: Professors Schisler for Schadler (Business),
Jones for Taylor (English), Wubneh for Friend (Industry and
Technology), Jendrasiak for Fieralis (Medicine), Worthington for
Lannin (Medicine), and Tranarger for Drees (Nursing).

B. Announcements
1. Chancellor Eakin was out of town attending the monthly UNC
Administrative Council meeting in Chapel Hill.

2. Chancellor Eakin has approved the following resolutions from
the December 8, 1998, Faculty Senate meeting:
98-33 Revised University Academic Retention Standards.
98-35 Clarification statements for scheduling class contact
minutes for Fall/Spring semesters, Summer session,
and Weekend University courses.
98-36 Endorsement of the request for authorization to plan
a new B.S. program in Environmental Technology.
98-37 Curriculum matters contained in the minutes of the
November 12, 1998, University Curriculum
Committee.

3. The next Faculty Assembly meeting is scheduled for Friday,
February 19, 1999, at 9:00 a.m. in Chapel Hill. Faculty, with issues they
feel need to be addressed by this body, should contact one of the five
Faculty Assembly Delegate listed below.
   * Lou Everett  * Henry Ferrell  * Rita Reaves
   * Allan Rosenberg  * Brenda Killingsworth

4. The Committee on Committees has been charged to seek
volunteers to serve on the various academic, appellate, administrative,
Board of Trustee, and student union committees. Volunteer packets,
with brief descriptions of the University committees have been
distributed to all faculty. Faculty are strongly encouraged to participate in
this component of shared faculty governance.

5. A special thanks was extended to the following who agreed to
serve as tellers: Michael Cotter, Academic Library Services and
Caroline Ayers, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Programs.

6. Letters concerning unit elections for the 1999-2000 Faculty
Senate representation have been mailed to unit code administrators this
week. In accordance with the ECU Faculty Manual, Appendix A, elections are to be held during the month of February. Please call the Faculty Senate office if you have any questions.

7. Plans are now being made for the third annual Teaching Awards Ceremony to honor upcoming recipients of the three teaching awards: Alumni Teaching Excellence, Board of Governors Award for Excellence, and Board of Governors Distinguished Professor. The ceremony will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Hendrix Theatre on Wednesday, 5 May 1999, (Reading Day) with a reception, hosted by Chancellor Eakin, immediately following. Please make plans now to attend.

8. To aid Faculty Senators attending Faculty Senate meetings in the Mendenhall Student Center, Chancellor Eakin requested that Parking Services place 10 cones near the entrance for easier parking of Senators attending the afternoon meetings.

C. Vice Chancellors' Reports
James Hallock, Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences, addressed several issues: 1) Senate bill regarding flexibility legislation. He stated that this bill has significant implications for East Carolina University as it relates to personnel matters, leasing, making ECU more agile and flexible in the market place. Four task forces are being established to examine these issues. 2) Strategic Planning Process. He stated that on the division level, the division was having two-planning sessions; the first of which will bring in a futurist to assist in examining what lies ahead, followed a planning session to address the question, how will the future affect the professions in allied health, nursing, and medicine. 3) Health Sciences Division Retreat. He stated that this was being planned to examine the division's vision in conjunction with aligning the division's mission with its resources called mission-based management. Accountability, productivity, and reward systems will be examined.

Professor Sexauer (Art) questioned if Vice Chancellor Hallock was referring to what we know as the traditional faculty rewards of promotion and tenure when he discussed mission-based management. Vice Chancellor Hallock responded that while those are included, the division was looking beyond that by examining research, service, administration, and others. In response to Professor Rosenberg's (Medicine) request to detail the School's student applicants, Dr. Hallock stated that there were 850 North Carolina freshmen applicants last year; 1,000 out-of-state. Of those, 650 who were interviewed, with an admission of 72. Currently, the School is approximately 6% behind this year in terms of applicants.

Richard Ringeisen, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, reporting for Chancellor Eakin, announced a special-called workshop/forum meeting of the Board of Trustees scheduled for the next day. The stated objectives by the Board of Trustees were: 1) Examine the way ECU may grow overall while maintaining quality/standards, 2) How the University might attract students, 3) Market well to maintain some growth. He noted that the sole agenda topic was the projected enrollment. He stated that Tom Powell, Director of Admissions, would discuss new & better ways of recruiting students and increasing enrollment. Vice Chancellor Ringeisen stated that he would share how the University might better package its programs in science and technology, coastal sciences, and coastal studies. The Chancellor would discuss how the enrollment growth as it relates to engineering and global park transport. Dr. Feldbush would discuss the new Millennium Campus, which is the Voice of America Site. Vice Chancellor Ringeisen also announced Founders' Day scheduled for March 8 with a ribbon cutting ceremony for the library. Speakers would be discussing the development of the library. Faculty would meet in the Student Recreation Center and march in academic regalia to the auditorium.
D. Bob Thompson, Director of Planning and Institutional Research
Bob Thompson presented the University's Long-Range Enrollment
Projections. The report distributed to the Senators was prepared to
assist in discussion with the Board of Trustees, with the goal of sharing it
to the entire academic community. Thompson addressed specifically two
(attachment H. of the report) and ECU Enrollment by County
(attachment I of the report). He stated that Whatever the ultimate
number the University chooses to recruit, ECU will have to recruit further
& further away to reach the East Carolina University's goals.

Rosenberg (Medicine) asked that Bob Thompson provide more detail
about enrollment growth in numbers.  Thompson responded that the
Board of Trustees would like to see ECU in numbers ranging from
25,000 to between 25,000-30,000 students. He stated that there was a
1,100 gap between what the State says there will be in high school
graduates wanting college admission and what the universities have
projected to enroll. However, some universities have projected as much
as 100% increase which is not necessarily a realistic view. When you
look at the realism of the projections, there may be as many as 8,000
students in the gap between those ready to enter college and the
numbers universities could accommodate in their established states. He
stated that ECU could feasibly increase 3,000 students with its current
facilities and programs. However, the largest increase of high school
students ready to enter college would begin about 2005, primarily at the
undergraduate level, although the University will grow slightly between
now and 2005. With ECU's increase reaching to 26,000 students, ECU's
growth will become more noticeable about 2005 & the subsequent 5
years. This will mean an additional 400 faculty and probably 400 more
staff positions for East Carolina University.

Simon (Political Science) stated that there had been discussion about
the Board of Trustees wanting to maintain East Carolina University as
the 3rd largest university in the State. He expressed the faculty's
concern that the University not lose quality as it grows in quantity and
asked how faculty might be able to communicate this concern to the
Board of Trustees. Thompson responded the Board of Trustees was
interested in the University's continuing quality as it grows. East
Carolina University can grow its enrollment in size and quality. He stated
that the University would be stretched, but increasing the enrollment to
26,000 should not decrease the quality.

Ferrell (History) asked if the plan included over-enrolling as it has in the
past with the hope that the University would get the resources.
Thompson, while responding affirmatively, elaborated by stating that the
current funding formula gives the University more money when it has
increased growth. Ferrell (History) made the suggestion that the
University cap enrollment and that it look at some of the recruitment
strategies that have worked for the Athletic Department, such as image.
He suggested that the University might lean more heavily on University
alumni to assist in recruiting.  Vice Chancellor Ringeisen responded that
these are issues the administration is addressing. He stated that if the
University is to grow and maintain quality, athletics is one way and that
curriculum may be the last thing considered in deciding where to go to
school. He stated that the Chancellor was establishing an
Administrative Marketing Committee and that the University's merit
scholarship program was a very important aspect to consider.

Wilson (Sociology) asked where would 5,000 more students live.
Thompson reported they would most likely not be housed on campus;
there will be a proposal forwarded to the legislature in April regarding
student housing. He stated that the University was in the process of
revising the campus master plan and would select firms to participate
including county and city planners. He stated that currently, the
University houses 5,500 students and that ECU does not have the space
to establish the kind of housing needed for the projected enrollment.

Ulffers (Music) stated that some of the things that have been found to be most helpful in recruiting students in his unit were the programs they offered, along with the wonderful faculty and the major in music.

Agenda Item IV. Unfinished Business
There was no unfinished business to come before the Faculty Senate at this time.

Agenda Item V. Report of Committees
A. Committee on Committees
Mark Taggart (Music), Chair of the Committee, presented the five nominees for the two Faculty Assembly delegate positions and three Faculty Assembly alternate positions. Those nominees were: Henry Ferrell (History), Brian Harris (Foreign Languages and Literatures), Robert Morrison (Chemistry), Rita Reaves (Industry and Technology), and Mark Taggart (Music).

Following an election, the following faculty members were elected to the following posts:

Faculty Assembly Delegates (with 2002 terms):
Henry Ferrell (History), Rita Reaves (Industry and Technology),

Faculty Assembly Alternates (with 2002 terms):
Mark Taggart (Music), Brian Harris (Foreign Languages),

Faculty Assembly Alternate (with 2001 term):
Bob Morrison (Chemistry).

B. Libraries Committee
Allan Rosenberg (Medicine), Chair of the Committee, presented a report on the Joyner Library Faculty Loan Policy, and the recent revision to the policy which includes two recall dates for faculty and graduate students, excluding the Summer.

He stated that, last Fall, the Department of Physics had brought an issue to the Committee concerning the new Joyner Library Faculty Loan Policy that now includes two recall dates for faculty and graduate students, excluding the Summer. Members of the Joyner Library administration felt that the policy for faculty should be similar to those for graduate students. Joyce (Physics) shared the importance of retaining the old one year loan policy for faculty. He stated that there had been problems with faculty conforming to the new policy and encouraged Senators to address this issue with their respective departments and be prepared to discuss it at the next Faculty Senate meeting, when the resolution would be reintroduced.

Sargent (Chemistry) stated that the explanation for the policy change assumed a decrease in the time a faculty member could check out a book would increase the faculty member's promptness in returning the book. He stated that support should be given to the faculty members to do their jobs, such as conduct research. Rosenberg (Medicine) stated that, as was discussed in the Committee meeting, faculty tend to hoard the books, and he suggested that the Director of the Library, Carroll Varner, be invited to the next Senate meeting when this issue is again addressed.

Agenda Item VI. New Business
There was no new business to come before the Faculty Senate at this time.

There being no further business to come before the Faculty Senate at this time, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.
There were no resolutions passed at the 26 January 1999, Faculty Senate meeting.