FULL MINUTES OF 30 MARCH 1999

The seventh regular meeting of the 1998-99 Faculty Senate was held on Tuesday, 30 March 1999, in the Mendenhall Student Center, Great Room.

Agenda Item I. Call to Order
Chair Brenda Killingsworth called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

Agenda Item II. Approval of Minutes
The minutes of 23 February 1999, were approved as distributed.

Agenda Item III. Special Order of the Day
A. Roll Call
Senators absent were: Professors Albright (Allied Health Sciences), Singhas (Biology), Gabbard (Education), White (Education), Kennedy (Industry and Technology), Dudek, Fiordalisi, Gilliland, Lannin, and Reinhart (Medicine), Chancellor Eakin, Vice Chancellor Hallock.

Alternates present were: Professors Cotter for Munde (Academic Library Services), Wittman for Dickerson (Allied Health Sciences), Mott for Joyner (Education), Said for Tabrizi (Math), Jendrasaik for Dolezal (Medicine), Tranbarger for Drees (Nursing), and Cope for Allred (Psychology).

B. Announcements
1. The Chancellor has approved the following resolutions from the February 23, 1999, Faculty Senate meeting:
   #99-1Resolution requesting a return in the Joyner Library Loan Policy to the original one-year loaning period for faculty members.

   #99-2Revised School of Music's Unit Code of Operations.

   #99-3Curriculum matters contained in the University Curriculum Committee minutes of 28 January 1999.

   #99-4Editorial revisions to Appendices D and Y of the ECU Faculty Manual regarding time limits on appeals pursuant to Section 501c(4) of the UNC Code. (This editorial amendment has been included in the two appendices in the current Faculty Manual located on the Faculty Senate web site.)

2. 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). Chancellor Eakin will host a reception immediately following the event. Please make plans now to attend.

3. A special thanks is extended to the Chancellor and Mrs. Eakin for hosting a nice reception in their home for Faculty Senators on Thursday, March 25, 1999.

4. The Admissions and Recruitment Committee has begun work on addressing various issues relating to the project enrollment growth of the University. A final report will
be presented to the Faculty Senate in November, 1999. Faculty is encouraged to contact the Chair of the Committee, John Cope (Psychology) with concerns.

C. Richard Eakins, Chancellor
Chancellor Eakins was out of town attending a global issues forum sponsored by Governor Hunt in Raleigh.

D. Vice Chancellor's Report
Tom Feldbush, Vice Chancellor for Research, addressed a question about the number of faculty lines to support graduate students. He stated that there was little money in the State of North Carolina budget allotted for graduate stipends. He also discussed the new graduate degree programs being considered on campus and the Voice of America Relay Station and proposed Millennium Campus Programs and Facilities. A copy of this report is available for review in the Faculty Senate office.

Richard Ringelsen, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, responded to questions from Faculty Senators. Wilson (Sociology) raised a question about moving courses from one server to another and about web sites being moved in the middle of the semester. VC Ringelsen was not aware of this problem. Ferrell (History) commented that post tenure reviews were not considered to be a censor, but to reward people. He reminded the Senate that Roy Carroll with UNC General Administration had said that there would be funds set aside to reward people. Ferrell then asked VC Ringelsen what his plans were to do for those with "exemplary" status. VC Ringelsen responded that there were some rewards but alternate rewards other than money and noted that in the post tenure reviews, there were a substantial percentage of faculty rated as "exemplary". He also noted that good things can happen that do not include salary increases.

E. Bruce Flye, Director of Facility Planning
Bruce Flye presented information on the new Science & Technology Building. He stated that construction will begin before the end of May while the legislature is still in session. It will be a five-story structure comprised of many Laboratories. Mr. Flye discussed alternative driveways to the warehouse while the new roadway is being constructed. Temporary walkways will allow students to reach bus stops at Christenbury. The private parking lot behind the general classroom building will eventually be eliminated. Austin and Rawl's parking lots will reopen to offset some of the need. Schneider (Business) questioned the planning of a cobble-stone walkway from Rivers Building to the recreation center and mentioned that King's Sandwich lot is for sale. Flye discussed the campus plans that had once been intended to be geometrically organized. Mark Taggart (Music) raised a question about possible changes to College Hill. Flye commented that there had been thoughts given to making connections from Eppes School property across 14th street. Reaves (Faculty Assembly Delegate) thanked Flye for expressing concerns about the noise that will occur with the construction of the new building.

F. Approval of Spring 1999 Graduation Roster, including honors program graduates Jim Joyce (Physics) moved the approval of the Spring 1999 Graduation Roster, including honors program graduates, subject to completion of degree requirements. RESOLUTION #99-5

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 first reading of the proposed addition to the Admissions and Recruitment Committee charge. He then presented the first reading of the proposed revisions to the Faculty Computer Committee charge. Faculty Senators were asked to announce their intentions now if they were going to offer revisions to either Committee report at the second reading. There were no announcements made. The Senate will act on the proposed revisions at the next Faculty Senate meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 27th.

B. Admissions and Recruitment Committee
John Cope (Psychology), Chair of the Committee, presented a resolution supporting International Programs. James Van Fleet, Director of the program, was given speaking privileges to address any concerns of the Senate. Schneider (Business) stated that the UNC system does not have a responsibility to educate students from foreign countries. Cope (Psychology) responded that at the undergraduate level, students pay out-of-state tuition. He further indicated that of Universities with Doctoral II status, ECU had the smallest number of international students. Wolfe (Anthropology) spoke in favor of more international students but indicated concern about the lack of evidence that funds were being used effectively, noting the disappearance of the Rivers funds. Sargent (Chemistry) questioned plans regarding equitable tuition waivers for international students. Joyce (Physics) also expressed support of international students but questioned what happened to the Rivers funds as well. Joyce then moved to recommit the Committee's report for further consideration. Following discussion, the resolution supporting International Programs was recommitted to the Committee for further review on the cost and justification of the program, as well as, the benefits of international students to ECU. A report from the Committee will be expected in the Fall 1999 semester. RESOLUTION #99-6

C. Educational Policies and Planning Committee
Brenda Killingsworth (Business), a member of the Committee, presented first the requests for permission to plan new degree programs in the following disciplines: engineering/industrial management, civil engineering technology, electronics engineering technology, and environmental engineering technology. The request for authorization to establish a new M.S. degree program track in occupational therapy was also presented. There was no discussion and the Committee's report was endorsed as presented. (Copies of the requests to plan and to establish are available for review in the Faculty Senate office, 140 Rawl Annex.)

D. Faculty Governance Committee
Patricia Anderson (Education), Chair of the Committee, presented first the proposed revisions to the ECU Faculty Manual, Appendix C. Personnel Policies and Procedures for the Faculty of East Carolina University. There was no discussion and the proposed revisions to the ECU Faculty Manual, Appendix C. Personnel Policies and Procedures for the Faculty of East Carolina University were approved as presented. RESOLUTION #99-7 (Following approval by the Chancellor and Board of Trustees, the revisions will be made to the ECU Faculty Manual, located on the Faculty Senate website at: http://www.ecu.edu/fs/online/appc.htm.)
Professor Anderson then presented the proposed addition to the ECU Faculty Manual, Part I. Introduction, relating to proposed procedures for request for interpretation of the ECU Faculty Manual. There was no discussion and the proposed revisions to the ECU Faculty Manual, Part I. were approved as presented. RESOLUTION #99-8 (Following approval by the Chancellor, the revisions will be made to the ECU Faculty Manual, located on the Faculty Senate website at: http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/PartI.htm.)

Professor Anderson then presented an interpretation of the ECU Faculty Manual, Appendix D, Section IV.G. Initiation of Recommendations, relating to search committees. Professor Anderson noted that there was no mention of search committees in the current Appendix D and stated that this statement simply verifies that the search committee is a legitimate way to handle searches. There was no discussion and the interpretation of the ECU Faculty Manual, Appendix D, Section IV.G. was approved as presented. RESOLUTION #99-9 (Following approval by the Chancellor, the interpretation will be included in the ECU Faculty Manual, located on the following Faculty Senate websites: http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/appdmenu.htm and http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/interpretations.htm.)

Professor Anderson then presented an editorial change to the ECU Faculty Manual, Appendix D, Section VI. Due Process Before Discharge or Imposition or Serious Sanction. There was no discussion and the editorial change to the ECU Faculty Manual, Appendix D, Section VI. was approved as presented. RESOLUTION #99-10 (Following approval by the Chancellor, the editorial change will be made to the ECU Faculty Manual, located on the Faculty Senate website at: http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/appd5.htm.)

E. Research/Creative Activity Policies Committee
Bodo Nischan (History), Chair of the Committee, presented the proposed revisions to the University Research Award Procedures. Professor Nischan noted that the new selection procedures included a methodological designation. The advantage would be that the Committee would be comparing individuals that are more in the same discipline. Taggart (Music) commended the efforts on the methodological approach, and asked what would that mean considering that the units originate the nominations. Nischan responded that the question is who originates the application. Sexauer (Art) asked how does business research, social work, or technology fit into the new categories. Nischan responded that there had been no elimination of actual disciplines, only the various categories. He stated that for example social work would fit into the social sciences. Simon (Political Science) stated that if self nominations are wanted, more direction is needed as to how this process will be handled. Simon moved to recommit the Committee report and requested further clarification on the methodology and nomination procedure. The motion passed. Following discussion, the proposed revisions to the University Research Award procedures were recommitted to the Committee for further review and clarification on procedures to select nominees and how the various disciplines are selected for each year's award. A report from the Committee will be expected in the Fall 1999 semester. RESOLUTION #99-11

F. University Curriculum Committee
JoAnn Jones (Undergraduate Studies), a member of the Committee, presented the curriculum matters contained in the 11 February 1999, and 25 February 1999, meeting
minutes. There was no discussion and the curriculum matters were approved as presented. RESOLUTION #99-12 (Copies of these minutes have been distributed to all units and are available on the Faculty Senate website at: http://www.ecu.edu/fsonline/cu.htm.)

Agenda Item VI. New Business
Allan Rosenberg (Medicine) offered a motion requesting the Faculty Senate's support for continued funding of the various programs being offered through the Pitt County Mental Health Center. The motion failed.

There being no further business to come before the Faculty Senate at this time, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.