

Faculty Council
Cameron Applied Research Center 101
January 18, 2007

Present (ex officio): Meg Morgan (President), Blair Rudes (Secretary), Rosemary Booth (Past President), Mike Corwin (A & S), Charles Bodkin (BUS), Warren DiBiase (EDUC), Ken Chen (C & I), Amanda Harmon (LIB), Phil Dubois (Chancellor), Joan Lorden (Provost), Tom Reynolds (Dean, Graduate School), Amy Dykeman (University Librarian), Ken Lambra (Dean, ARCH), Nancy Gutierrez (Dean, A & S), John Gandar for Claude Lilly (Dean, BUS), Mary Lynne Calhoun (Dean, EDUC), Robert Johnson (Dean, ENG), Karen Schmaling (Dean, HHS)

Absent (ex officio): Cheryl Brown (President Elect), David Walters (ARCH), Cynthia Combs (A & S), William Gay (A & S), Gary Teng (ENG), Jackie Dienemann (HHS), Mirsad Hadzikadic (Dean, CI),

Present (unit representatives): Howard Godfrey (ACCT), Scott Rose (AERO), Veronica Walker (AFRS), Chris Grech (ARCH), David Edgar (ART), Doug Cooper (BISOM), Johnny Graham (CENG), Alan Freitag (COMM), Lyndon Abrams (COUN), E.E. Balcos (DATH), Ted Amato (ECON), Erik Porfeli (EDLD), Ivan Howitt (ECE), Elizabeth Gargano (ENGL), Walt Martin (GEOG/ES), Tricia Hubbard (KNES), Chuck Hamaker (LIB), Ed Jernigan (MGMT), Joe Quinn (MATH), Adam Harbaugh (MDSK), Jay Grymes (MUSC), Dick Toenjes (PHIL), Susan Trammell (PHYS), Sean McCloud (RELS), Sonya Hardin (SON), Murray Webster (SOC/ANTH), Yuliang Zheng (SIS), JaneDiane Smith (SPED)

Present (unit alternates): Susan Peters (BIOL), Bernadette Donovan-Merkert (CHEM), Sonya Hardin (HBA)

Absent (unit representatives): Zachary Wartell (CS), Charisse Csoton (CJUS), Ed Braun (ET), Louis Trosch, Sr. (FINN), Lyman Johnson (HIST), Dale Grote (LCS), Sunil Erevelles (MKTG), Harish Cherukuri (MENG), Robert McCall (MILSCI), Cheryl Brown (POLS), Ryan Kilmer (PSYC), Jack Piel (REEL), Marcia Shobe (SOWK)

Also present: Charlynn Ross (UCAE), John Bland (Public Relations), Janet Daniel (Office of Adult Students & Evening Services), Cynthia Wolf Johnson (Academic Services), Mary Pat Young (Academic Affairs), Kathi Baucom (Enrollment Management), Richard Yount (Registrar), Ben Comstock (SGA President), Cameron Young (SGA), Sallie Ives (FCTeL), Charles Price (ITS), Rus Hardin (Enrollment Management), Lucille Travis (School of Nursing), Rick Lejk (Chair, FAPSC), Julie Putnam (Academic Affairs)

Dr. Meg Morgan called the meeting to order at 12:31 pm.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the November 30, 2006 meeting of the Faculty Council.

Dr. Toenjes moved and Dr. Corwin seconded that the minutes be approved as distributed. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Recommendation from FAPSC re: *The Noble Niner*

Dr. Lejk moved to support the recommendation from FAPSC to show support for *The Noble Nine*, the student code circulated previously to members by email. Dr. Toenjes seconded the motion.

Dr. Lejk briefly described the code, and introduced Mr. Comstock and Ms. Young, representatives of the Student Government, who discussed the history, nature, and purpose of the code.

Dr. Toenjes congratulated the students and discussed earlier efforts to develop an honor code.

Chancellor Dubois noted that the code will be voluntary and that there will be no tuition penalty for breaking it.

. Comstock reiterated that the code will be voluntary.

Dr. Reynold, Dean of the Graduate School, inquired whether graduate students are covered by the code. Mr. Comstock responded that there has been no discussion as yet with the graduate students, but the hope is that it will also cover them.

The motion was brought to a vote and passed unanimously.

3. 2006-2011 Proposed Academic Calendar

Dr. Morgan introduced the 2006-2011 Proposed Academic Calendar, which had been circulated previously to members by email. There was a general discussion about the relative lateness of commencement in upcoming years and the factors that necessitated the proposed dates.

Dr. Booth moved to accept the 2006-2011 Proposed Calendar. Dr. McCloud seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Report of the Chancellor (Dr. Philip Dubois)

Dr. Dubois summarized the fall 2006 activities of the Budget Reexamination Committee and the major, ongoing budget initiatives. He noted that, in particular, institutional support has been dramatically under-funded. He also reported that the University is looking into a pilot project on energy savings.

Dr. Dubois reported that the University is beginning to look at the recommendations of President Bowles's Committee on Efficiency and Effectiveness including a project on improving the efficiency of accounts payable regarding the timely payment of bills, the issue of whether to centralize servers, the process for determining residency for tuition purposes, moving everyone to direct deposit, and how Facilities Management charges for renovations.

He also noted that the Long-Range Enrollment Task Force is looking at how the University would handle a projected enrollment of 35,000 students.

Dr. Dubois stated that the architect has been selected for the center-city building and that the process for constructing the building is moving along. With respect to the issue of having a football team, he reported that the Board of Trustees wants to look at football as a long-term issue. He also announced that Chuck Lynch, the Vice-President for Student Affairs, will retire at the end of the year.

In response to a comment from Dr. Toenjes that the State of North Carolina determines the residency requirements for tuition purposes, Dr. Dubois responded that each campus nevertheless determines the procedures and documentation requirement to meet the state's requirements.

5. Report of the Provost (Dr. Joan Lorden)

Dr. Lorden began her report by congratulating the Department of Chemistry on the approval of its new Ph.D. program. She then reported that there are now 20,310 students enrolled for the Spring 2007 semester. She credited the faculty for getting students to register before the census date and the staff in Student Accounts for notifying individual students that their tuition payments had not been received. She reported that the next goal is to get all of the students to get their required immunizations. She also reminded faculty that Spring enrollment included a lot of new-to-UNC-Charlotte students. In addition, she noted the January and February deadlines for the Chancellor's Challenge Fund for Diversity.

Dr. Lorden announced that the final report of the Task Force on the Arts is now available at www.provost.uncc.edu/SpecialProjectEvents/ArtArchTaskForceFinalReport.pdf, and that the task force has recommended the creation of a new College of Arts and Architecture.

After briefly mentioning the COACHE Report, Dr. Lorden discussed the NSF grant to the University for the ADVANCE Program designed to increase the presence of women in faculty positions in science and engineering. Among the grant activities, she mentioned the Women's Academy and the Committee on the Future of Faculty. She also noted that funds will be available through the grant to campus units to look at the issue of women on the faculty within the units. Dr. Howitt asked when the funds would be available to campus units, and Dr. Lorden replied that the date would be known shortly. She noted that Kim Buch is the Principal Investigator for the grant.

6. Report of the President-elect (Dr. Cheryl Brown)

Dr. Morgan read Dr. Brown's report in her absence. She reported that Dr. Mark Clemmens is the UNC Charlotte nominee for the O. Max Gardner Award

Dr. Morgan also reported that the Common Reading Experience committee "devoured" books over the winter break and will meet on January 19 to select books for the Freshmen Seminar pilot-test of the Common Reading Experience.

In closing, she reported that the UNC Faculty Assembly will meet on January 26 in Chapel Hill.

7. Report of the President (Dr. Meg Morgan)

Dr. Morgan noted that FAPSC has developed general guidelines for implementing the Grade Replacement Policy that was passed previously by Faculty Council. The guidelines will be discussed at the next FEC meeting.

She also reported that the Parking Fee Policy will come before FEC and the Faculty Council in February.

She has asked FESC to look at the annual evaluation of chairs, deans, and administrators to see if there is too much assessment. FEC will also be looking at the Final Report of the Arts and Architecture Task Force.

Dr. Gutierrez asked if FESC can look at the chairs' comprehensive review at the end of the third year in addition to the annual review. Dr. Morgan responded that the committee will do so.

8. New Business

None.

Dr. Godfrey moved to adjourn. Dr. Rudes seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 1:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Blair Rudes
Secretary of the Faculty