

**Faculty Council**  
**Cameron Applied Research Center 101**  
**March 16, 2006**

**Present** (ex officio): Rosemary Booth (President), Meg Morgan (President Elect) Barry Sherlock (Secretary), Kim Harris (Past President), Cynthia Combs (A & S), William Gay (A & S), Charles Bodkin (BUS), Warren DiBiase (EDUC), Mike Allen (IT), Gwen Foss (HHS), Joan Lorden (Provost), Tom Reynolds (Dean, Graduate School), Amy Dykeman (University Librarian), Ken Lambla (Dean, ARCH), Bill Hill for Nancy Gutierrez (Dean, A & S), John Gandar for Claude Lilly (Dean, BUS), Robert Johnson (Dean, ENG), Mirsad Hadzikadic (Dean, IT), Karen Schmaling (Dean, HHS)

**Absent** (ex officio): David Walters (ARCH), John Lincourt (A & S), Gary Teng (ENG), Chuck Hamaker (LIB), Phil Dubois (CHANCELLOR), Mary Lynne Calhoun (Dean, EDUC)

**Present** (unit representatives): Veronica Nmoma (AFRS), Chris Grech (ARCH), David Edgar (ART), Mark Clemens (BIOL), Chandra Subramaniam (BISOM), Thomas DuBois (CHEM), Johnny Graham (CENG), Alan Freitag (COMM), James Frazier (CS), Lyndon Abrams (COUN), Bruce Arrigo (CJUS), Sybil Huskey (DATH), Thomas Weldon (ECE), Ann Newman (FCN), Walt Martin (GEOG/ES), Steve Sabol (HIST), Ed Jernigan (MGMT), Jay Grymes (MUSC), Dick Toenjes (PHIL), Yasin Raja (PHYS), Bradley Wright (POLS), George Demakis (PSYC), Bruce Taylor (REEL), Sean McCloud (RELS), Jim Dudley (SOWK)

**Present** (unit alternates): Howard Godfrey (ACCT), Maren Coffman (AHN), Adam Friedman (EDLD), Jack Carter (ET), Andrew Harver (HBA), Stu Lillard (LIB), Yogi Hari (MENG), David Wilson (SIS)

**Absent** (unit representatives): Pete Laden (AERO), Ellen Sewell (ECON), Jeffrey Leak (ENGL), Louis Trosch, Sr. (FINN), Tricia Hubbard (KNES), Jose Batista (LCS), Sunil Erevelles (MKTG), Joe Quinn (MATH), Kim Hartman (MDSK), Robert McCall (MILSCI), Greg Starrett (SOC/ANTH), JaneDiane Smith (SPED)

**Also present:** Wayne Walcott (Academic Affairs), Mary Pat Young (Academic Affairs), Kathi Baucom (Enrollment Management), Richard Yount (Registrar), Cameron Young (SGA Academic Affairs), Charlynn Ross (UCAE), Janet Daniel (OASES), Denise Dwight Smith (Univ. Career Center), Julie Putnam (Academic Affairs)

Dr. Rosemary Booth called the meeting to order at 12:36 pm.

**1. Approval of the Minutes of the February 16, 2006 meeting of the Faculty Council**

Dr. Clemens moved and Dr. McCloud seconded that the minutes be approved as distributed. Correction: the representative from Biology was Sue Peters. The motion passed unanimously.

**2. Recommendations from FAPSC (Dr. Warren DiBiase):**

This item was withdrawn from the agenda by FAPSC for further review.

**3. Recommendation from FESC: DRC and CRC membership eligibility for faculty members with administrative responsibilities (Dr. Mehdi Miri):**

The following recommendation comes as a motion from FESC:

Revise the 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph of Section 5.3 of the University TPRP by adding the boldface text below and deleting as indicated by strikethroughs:

*“No dean, department chair, **associate dean, or assistant dean may serve on the DRC.** ~~or any other~~ **Other Faculty Members who has have** administrative responsibilities that include line authority to affect salary for, evaluation of, or dismissal of Faculty Members ~~may~~ are also ineligible to serve on the DRC. **Associate chairs, assistant chairs, and program coordinators are eligible to serve on the DRC.**”*

Revise the 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph of Section 5.4 of the University TPRP by adding the boldface text below and deleting as indicated by strikethroughs:

*“No dean, department chair, **associate dean, or assistant dean may serve on the CRC.** ~~or any other~~ **Other Faculty Members who has have** administrative responsibilities that include line authority to affect salary for, evaluation of, or dismissal of Faculty Members ~~may~~ are also ineligible to serve on the CRC. **Associate chairs, assistant chairs, and program coordinators are eligible to serve on the CRC.**”*

The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Proposed changes in president-elect and past-president rules (Dr. Rosemary Booth)**

The following recommendation comes as a motion from the Faculty Executive Committee:

- (i) Change the Standing Rules of the Faculty, Article V, Section 3A, 5 (Committees, Faculty Academic Planning and Budget Committee) by removing “The Chairperson will be the President-Elect of the Faculty” and adding “The Chairperson will be the Past-President of the Faculty”.
- (ii) Change the Standing Rules of the Faculty, Article VI, Section 2 (Faculty Assembly Delegates, Election) by removing “The fifth delegate shall be the Past President of the Faculty, or his or her designee” and adding “The fifth delegate shall be the President-Elect of the Faculty, or his or her designee”.

- (iii) Change the Constitution of the Faculty, Article IV, Section 2 (President Elect) by adding “The President-Elect shall serve as a delegate to the Faculty Assembly of the University of North Carolina”.
- (iv) Change the Constitution of the Faculty, Article IV, Section 4 (Past President) by deleting “The immediate Past-President shall serve as a delegate to the Faculty Assembly of the University of North Carolina” and adding “The immediate Past-President shall serve as Chairperson of the Faculty Academic Planning and Budget Committee”.

The motion passed unanimously.

#### **5. Report from Online Course Evaluation Pilot (Cathy Sanders and Mark Sivey)**

Cathy Sanders and Mark Sivey presented the report on the Fall 2005 Online Course Evaluation Pilot. Their report summary was attached to the agenda for today’s meeting.

A motion from the Faculty Executive Committee recommends that courses that are fully online shall have the option of online evaluation. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **6. Motion to Award Degrees (Dr. Joan Lorden)**

The following motion came from the Provost:

- (1) that, consistent with the Board of Trustees’ Resolution on May 5, 1980, the Faculty recommend to the Chancellor that appropriate degrees be conferred on all candidates who have met the established requirements of the Faculty since December and that the degrees have an award date of May 2006;
- (2) that, consistent with the Board of Trustees’ Resolution on May 5, 1980, the Faculty recommend to the Chancellor that appropriate degrees be conferred on all candidates who have met the established requirements of the Faculty in the period between May and September and that the degrees have an award date of August 2006.

The motion passed unanimously.

#### **7. Consultation on proposed college name change from the College of Information Technology to the College of Computing and Informatics (Dr. Joan Lorden):**

The College of Information Technology has proposed that its name be changed to the College of Computing and Informatics, on the grounds that this would more clearly state the breadth of its research and academic programs. This change is supported by FEC.

Dean Johnson of the College of Engineering expressed concern that if this change were made, parents and students might not recognize the existence of Computer Engineering

within the College of Engineering. He suggested that “College of Computer Science and Informatics” might be a more appropriate and accurate name.

#### **8. Consultation on School of Nursing Reorganization (Dr. Joan Lorden):**

In January 2006, the faculty in the School of Nursing voted to eliminate the Department of Adult Health Nursing and the Department of Family and Community Nursing. They voted to replace these departments with an Undergraduate Division and a Graduate Division within the School of Nursing. This proposed reorganization has the support of the College of Health and Human Services, and would have no effect on faculty tenure. This change is supported by FEC.

#### **9. Report on Parking (Gary Caton, Parking Services):**

At the invitation of Dr. Booth, Gary Caton gave a report on the parking situation. Seven recommendations have been made to the Chancellor to offset the loss of parking in Craver Road over the next year. The one that caused the most concern was opening the top of the East Deck to student parking; this has been put on hold for the immediate future. The lower level of West deck has been gated for Faculty/Staff parking. West deck has been closed to resident students. Lot 6A, though distant, is large (160 spaces), and we are looking at providing an incentive for using it, such as lower cost. A survey will be distributed by e-mail in an effort to determine what type of a transportation system people would like around campus. We have approval to build a new deck, but the location is not yet known.

Dr. Johnson said that some students are parking on the far side of highway 29, and exposing themselves to danger by walking across 29. There is no stop sign as you enter highway 29 from campus. Also, there is no safe way to turn south onto 29 from campus as the only option is to dart across 3 lanes of traffic to reach the turn lane.

In response to a question, Mr. Caton said that we are looking at various options for differential parking rates based on salary.

Dr. Booth thanked Mr. Caton for coming to the meeting and encouraged him to keep us informed.

#### **10. Report of the Provost (Dr. Joan Lorden)**

Many of the action items in the Chancellor’s installation speech are already in progress. One of these is that the Chancellor wants to reconstitute the Council on University Relations. This will be chaired by the Provost and its first task will be to develop the University’s diversity plan. The plan will be brought to the executive staff retreat in August, and presented to the campus at the Fall 2006 Convocation.

The Uptown Center (UNC-Charlotte Center City) is a high priority on the General Administration's capital projects budget. It will be a large building at 9<sup>th</sup> and Brevard Streets, facing the Imaginon. Masters level programs designed to meet the needs of working professionals will be delivered there.

We are putting together the budget proposal for this legislative session. The Chancellor's highest priority is faculty salaries and benefits. Other priorities are enrollment increase funding, more repair and renovation money, graduate tuition waivers, teacher education, and nursing. (President Bowles has put great emphasis on teacher education, which he believes to be in crisis. We produce a lot of teachers at UNC-Charlotte, but are being asked to do more, particularly in the areas of science and mathematics.)

The Board of Governors did a review on textbooks and textbook costs. We have made good progress in getting book orders in on time, thereby saving our students a considerable amount of money. We will be required to do a report on our progress, due in December.

The new teaching schedule has caused classes to be distributed more broadly across the day.

SGA elections are coming up. SGA president Joe Franco passed around flyers and nomination forms for the Spring elections. He encouraged faculty to inform their students about the elections.

## **11. Report of the President Elect (Dr. Meg Morgan)**

Dr. Morgan reported that President Bowles wishes to meet monthly instead of quarterly with the Faculty Assembly.

As Chairperson of the Nominations Committee, Dr. Morgan presented the slate of candidates for President Elect of the Faculty, Secretary of the Faculty, and Chairs of some standing committees. (This was included with the agenda for today's meeting)

Dr. Newman moved and Dr. Allen seconded that the nominations be closed. The motion passed unanimously.

By virtue of being the only candidate on the slate for the positions in question, the following candidates are elected by acclamation:

- (i) **Blair Rudes:** Secretary (1 year term)
- (ii) **Greg Wickliff:** Chair of Faculty Committee on General Education (2 yr term)
- (iii) **Kim Harris:** Chair of Undergraduate Course and Curriculum Committee (2 yr term)

Dr. Clemens moved and Dr. McCloud seconded to forward the slate as a ballot to the faculty for their vote. The motion passed unanimously.

## **12. Report of the President (Dr. Rosemary Booth)**

Dr. Booth thanked Dean Johnson and the College of Engineering for providing food for the meeting. [Applause]

The Board of Governors has proposed a new State Health Plan with preferred providers. Individuals can choose to continue with the current plan or go with the preferred providers.

## **13. New Business**

None.

Dr. Newman moved to adjourn, Dr. Clemens seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 1:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B Sherlock". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font with a long, sweeping underline.

Barry Sherlock  
Secretary of the Faculty