

**Faculty Council**  
**Cameron Applied Research Center 101**  
**April 19, 2007**

**Present** (ex officio): Meg Morgan (President), Cheryl Brown (President Elect), Blair Rudes (Secretary), Rosemary Booth (Past President), William Gay (A & S), Mike Corwin (A & S), Charles Bodkin (BUS), Warren DiBiase (EDUC), Gary Teng (ENG), Ken Chen (C & I), Amanda Harmon (LIB), Jackie Dienemann (HHS), Phil Dubois (Chancellor), Joan Lorden (Provost), Tom Reynolds (Dean, Graduate School), Carol Runnion (Acting University Librarian), Ken Lambra (Dean, ARCH), Nancy Gutierrez (Dean, A & S), John Gandar for Claude Lilly (Dean, BUS), Mirsad Hadzikadic (Dean, CI), Karen Schmaling (Dean, HHS)

**Absent** (ex officio): David Walters (ARCH), Mary Lynne Calhoun (Dean, EDUC), Robert Johnson (Dean, ENG),

**Present** (unit representatives): Veronica Walker (AFRS), Chris Grech (ARCH), David Edgar (ART), Doug Cooper (BISOM), Thomas DuBois (CHEM), Johnny Graham (CENG), Alan Freitag (COMM), Zachary Wartell (CS), Charisse Coston (CJUS), E.E. Balcos (DATH), Ted Amato (ECON), Ivan Howitt (ECE), Ed Braun (ET), Elizabeth Gargano (ENGL), Jessica Hartos (HBA)Tricia Hubbard (KNES), Chuck Hamaker (LIB), Ed Jernigan (MGMT), Joe Quinn (MATH), Harish Cherukuri (MENG), Adam Harbaugh (MDSK), Jay Grymes (MUSC), Dick Toenjes (PHIL), Susan Trammell (PHYS), Cheryl Brown (POLS), Sean McCloud (RELS), Sonya Hardin (SON), Yuliang Zheng (SIS), JaneDiane Smith (SPED)

**Present** (unit alternates): Jo Ann Lee (for Cynthia Combs, A & S) Ken Chilton (for Walt Martin, GEOG/ES), Cynthia Kierner (for Lyman Johnson, HIST), George Demakis (for Ryan Kilmer, PSYC)

**Absent** (unit representatives): Howard Godfrey (ACCT), Scott Rose (AERO), Mark Clemens (BIOL), Lyndon Abrams (COUN), Erik Porfeli (EDLD), Louis Trosch, Sr. (FINN), Dale Grote (LCS), Sunil Erevelles (MKTG), Robert McCall (MILSCI), Jack Piel (REEL), Murray Webster (SOC/ANTH), Marcia Shobe (SOWK)

**Also present:** Janet Daniel (Office of Adult Students & Evening Services),Richard Yount (Registrar), Sallie Ives (FCTeL), Charles Price (ITS), Lucille Travis (School of Nursing), Wayne Walcott (Academic Affairs), Karin Steinbrenner (Academic Affairs), Kim Harris (Math), Susan Sell (Graduate School), Pat Barber (ITS), Denise Dwight Smith (University Career Center), Anita Blowers (Office of Student Success and Retention), Beth Hardin (Business Affairs), Marlene Hall (Campus Police), Tommy Earnhardt (Internal Audit), Julie Putnam (Academic Affairs)

Dr. Meg Morgan called the meeting to order at 12:35 pm. She read an email from retired UNCC professor Sam Watson regarding the tragedy at Virginia Tech.

**1. Approval of the Minutes of the March 15, 2007 meeting of the Faculty Council.**

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

**2. FAPSC Recommendations (Dr. Rick Lejk)**

Dr. Lejk introduced the recommendation on changing the last day to withdraw from a class to four weeks later than the current date. Dr. Booth seconded the motion. There was discussion about tabling the motion in order to allow for discussion with academic units. A vote was called on the motion to accept the recommendation, and it passed with 36 members in favor and 8 opposed.

Dr. Lejk then introduced the recommendation to revise the policy on granting credit for military training. Dr. Frietag seconded the motion. In response to a question, Dr. Lejk clarified that the credit was granted only for academic coursework by qualified instructors. The motion passed unanimously.

**3. CID/API Recommendations (Dr. Coral Wayland)**

Dr. Morgan introduced the recommendations from CID/API, which were previously distributed by email, as a single motion. Dr. Booth seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Motion to Award Degrees (Dr. Joan Lorden)**

Dr. Lorden introduced a motion to award degrees for May 2007, and for June and August 2007. Dr. Teng seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**5. Consultation Regarding the Proposed Name Change of the Department of Art to the Department of Art and Art History (Dr. Joan Lorden)**

Dr. Lorden introduced a motion in support of the proposed name change of the Department of Art to the Department of Art and Art History. Dr. Eckardt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**6. Changes to the Tenure Document (Dr. Meg Morgan)**

Dr. Morgan introduced a motion to change wording in the tenure document, as previously distributed by email. Dr. Booth seconded the motion. After some discussion to clarify the revised wording, a friendly amendment was made to add to 6.3.2 and 6.3.3 wording that a “minority report may be submitted as part of the majority report.” The motion passed unanimously, and the recommendation will be sent to the Chancellor.

**7. Changes to Faculty Council Membership Eligibility (Dr. Meg Morgan)**

Dr. Morgan re-introduced the motion from the FEC, previously distributed by email, to revise the criterion for selection members of the Faculty Council. The motion had been tabled at the

previous meeting on March 15 to allow for discussion by academic units. Following discussion on the motion, a vote was called and the motion failed with 22 voting in favor and 25 opposed.

#### **8. Faculty Assembly Charter Revisions (Dr. Meg Morgan)**

Dr. Morgan introduced the motion from the Faculty Assembly, previously distributed by email, to change wording of the Faculty Assembly Charter. Dr. DiBiase seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **9. Report of the Chancellor (Dr. Phil Dubois)**

Dr. Dubois brief discussed the tragedy at Virginia Tech. and noted that there will be a meeting next week to review relevant UNCC policies and procedures pertaining to such events. In addition, the NC Attorney General is planning a Task Force with UNC campuses to look at ways of handling such events. A member of the council commended the Chancellor on the letter he distributed to the UNCC community immediately following the tragedy. The Chancellor noted that more information will be distributed soon.

Dr. Dubois continued by noting that the NC Legislative session is going o.k., but the capitol budget is uncertain. He noted that the university is nearly ready to make decisions about the allocation of funds from the monies that were held back in the fall.

In conclusion, Dr. Dubois noted that UNCC is hosting Mr. Erskine Bowles today for his UNC Tomorrow visit and that we are the first of the 17 campuses to host him on this tour.

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

Dr. Lorden presented the Provost's Award to Software and Information Systems. She reported that the university is looking at policy revisions to the tenured faculty performance review and to the administrator performance review.

Dr. Lorden noted that UNC Online goes online on Monday. She announced that Karen Steinbrenner is retiring as ITS CEO. She noted that she has received the final report from the Task Force on Arts and Architecture and has asked the chairs of the three units to prepare a proposal for restructuring. Dr. Lorden stated that the campus is fairly close to agreement with General Administration on targets for retention and that a team is rethinking the way we do advising.

She concluded with a discussion of the new approach to handling General Education that will be in place next year.

#### **11. Report of the President-elect (Dr. Cheryl Brown)**

Dr. Brown distributed a list of the faculty officers elected for the 2007-2008 academic year. She then presented out-going Faculty President Meg Morgan with a plaque in honor of her service.

She also announced that as part of the Common Reading Program, James McBride, author of *The Color of Water*, will be coming to campus on October 16, 2007.

**12. Report of the President (Dr. Meg Morgan)**

Dr. Morgan noted that she plans to continue pursuing the issue of parking equity. She talked about the University College task force. She then handed over the gavel to the next Faculty President, Kim Harris.

**13. New Business**

None.

Kim Harris adjourned the meeting at 2:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Blair Rudes".

Blair Rudes  
Secretary of the Faculty