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MEMO

Date: December 14, 2012

To: Ed Jernigan, President, Faculty Council

From: Joan F. Lorden, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Re: University Marshal Policy

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joan", written over the "From:" line.

In 2011 the Faculty Executive Committee recommended and the Faculty Council approved amendments to the University Marshal policy to allow Marshals to be chosen from among those faculty who have been honored for teaching and other significant professional achievements. This has allowed us to recognize these faculty before an audience of students, parents, community members, trustees, and alumni. Because we now bestow the honor of University Marshal on faculty who have received awards such as the Bank of America Award for Teaching Excellence and First Citizens' Award, we find that additional policy modification is required. The current policy requires that University Marshals be full professors. While our awardees are tenured, some are associate professors.

I would like to ask the Faculty Council to please update the University Marshal policy to allow for the honor to be bestowed upon Associate Professors meeting the other criteria in the policy. I have included suggested edits in the attached policy draft.

Thank you.

Enclosure: University Marshal Policy

cc: Leslie Zenk



UNC Charlotte Academic Policy: University Marshal

I. Introduction

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II. Policy Statement

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The Marshal will serve for a term determined by the Chancellor, but in most cases it will be to serve for one semester and Commencement. When a vacancy occurs, the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs shall, after consulting with such Deans and/or Chairpersons as he or she deems appropriate, recommend one or more candidates to the Chancellor, who shall make the appointment.

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Comment [t1]: FEC made a friendly amendment removing this line.

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