



FACULTY SENATE FORUM

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Below are the minutes of the January 22, 2007 Faculty Senate meeting. The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 5, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. in the UC Council Room with the following agenda.

AGENDA FOR THE FEBRUARY 5, 2007 SENATE MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of the January 22 Minutes
4. Announcements
 - Chair's Report
 - President's Salary as Reported in the *Chronicle of Higher Education*
5. Administrative Reports: President, Academic Affairs
6. Reports of Standing Committees: Salary Equity, Academic Policies, Codification, Elections, Faculty Welfare, SPEEC, SRC, Academic Planning, BOT, Cultural Centers, IT Banner Work Group, PASC
7. Special Reports
 - Tad Boyle, Men's Basketball Coach and Jaime White, Women's Basketball Coach
8. Special Orders
9. Unfinished Business
10. New Business
 - Information Technology Committee
 - 2-3-304 Special Status Faculty
 - 2-3-404 Absences
11. Other New Business
12. Comments to the Good of the Order
13. Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 22, 2007 SENATE MEETING

Members present: Allen, Black, Blair, Blubaugh, Clinefelter, de la Torre, Embry, Erskine, Falvo, Grapes, Gunnells, Hauk, Hesse, Huang, Jurin, Kalu, Klein, Lightfoot, Luger, Luttmann, Mackessy, Murry, Norton, Oya, Peercy, Perrett, Pflieger, Rothaus, Schuttler, and Temkin. Absent member(s) with alternate: None. Member(s) absent: Connolly, Lennon, Stewart, and Sussman. Guests: Kim Black, David Caldwell, Dick Dietz, Ron Lambden, Gloria Reynolds, and Samantha Ortiz Schriver.

The agenda was approved without objection. The December 11 minutes were approved as amended by noting under Comments to the Good of the Order that "Nutcracker" is one word.

Announcements

- Chair' Report
 - SAF #927 regarding faculty salaries being the highest priority was returned with a memo from the President. The President's memo was available for the Senate members.
 - The Senate Executive Committee unanimously passed a motion to ask the President if her salary as reported in the *Chronicle of Higher Education* (Volume 53, No. 14, November 24, 2006) "was correct and whether this figure increased at a higher rate than the average increase in faculty salaries for the past year." The Chair will keep the Senate informed.

President's Report (Norton)

- Gloria Reynolds has been promoted to the Executive Director of Communication and Public Relations and Jenna Langer, formerly the Executive Director of the Commission on Higher Education, will be the President's Chief Staff.

Provost's Report (Huang)

- Samantha Ortiz Schriver has joined the staff as the Dean of Students.
- Phase 1 of the Academic Plan has been completed. The second phase will start Spring semester. There are eight goals that will have measurable objectives. Robbyn Wacker will continue as the chair of the Steering Committee.
- The outside consultants have completed phase 1 of the diversity initiative and have completed their report, which will be on a web site. This semester the second phase will begin under the coordination of Kim Black. UNC's own in-house expertise will be used during this phase. Black outlined the steps to the plan and explained each.
 - The American Association of State Colleges and Universities conducted a nationwide search of institutions that have successful graduation rates for Hispanic students. Five students were nominated by UNC to be a part of the student and were accepted. The students are Eric Rennacker, Stephanie Torres, Tobias Guzman, Libby Klingsmith, and Kim Black.
- This will be the first time in UNC's history that it will receive grants beyond the \$10 million mark. It currently has \$8 million in grant funding.
- David Skaggs has been hired as the Director of the CCHE.
- A report based on UNC's performance was submitted to the CCHE on December 31.
- Nine courses have been submitted for review for gtPathways.

Faculty Welfare Committee (Luger) - No report

Salary Equity Committee (Clinefelter)

- A report will come forward at the next meeting with a detailed report on the state of faculty salaries. The Committee continues to work on getting the administrative salary information.

Academic Policies Committee (Embry) - No report

Codification Committee (Schuttler) - No report

Elections Committee (Temkin) - No report

Professional Administrative Staff Council (Oya) - No report

State Personnel Employees Executive Council (Gunnells) - No report

Student Representative Council (Pfleiger)

- The Council passed a resolution regarding the expanded grading system. As the SRC was not previously represented in the APC or Senate meetings, the students were unaware that the grading system was undergoing change. Student Trustee Hoyer and other students expressed some of their concerns: there is no A+ to counter the A-, the impact on financial aid and grade forgiveness, and a C- will affect graduation, pre-requisites, etc.

Academic Planning Committee (Clinefelter)

- The Committee's main goal this semester is to come up with measurable objectives. The six faculty members on the Committee are also on the President's Planning Council, which will make budget recommendations on how "free floating" funds can potentially be reallocated.

Board of Trustees (Clinefelter)

- The Board met December 15 and held a special meeting January 5 to discuss the status of McCowen Hall. Clinefelter explained the issues as discussed and reported that the final decision was to continue with the project and refinance some of the bonds due to more favorable rates now.
- Faculty salaries were addressed again. Monfort responded that faculty salaries are the first thing considered in every budget cycle.
- The Sexual Harassment and Transitional Retirement policies were approved as well as the extended lease on the Arlington Apartments.

