



FACULTY SENATE FORUM

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Below are the minutes of the November 7, 2005 Faculty Senate meeting. The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 21 at 4:00 p.m. in the UC Council Room.

AGENDA FOR THE NOVEMBER 21, 2005 SENATE MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of the November 7 Minutes
4. Announcements
 - Chair's Report
5. Administrative Reports: President, Academic Affairs
6. Reports of Standing Committees: Academic Policies, Codification, Elections, Faculty Welfare, Salary Equity, Cultural Centers, PASC, SPEEC, SRC, BOT
7. Special Orders
8. Unfinished Business
9. New Business
 - Motion from the Codification Committee
10. Other New Business
11. Comments to the Good of the Order
12. Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 7, 2005 SENATE MEETING

Members present: Adams, L. Black, M. Black, Blair, Blanke, Blubaugh, Brown, Cline, Connolly, de la Torre, Embry, Falvo, Grapes, Huang, Jurin, Lightfoot, Loftis, Luger, Luttmann, Mackessy, Murry, Norton, Nutter, Oya, Peercy, Posselt, Rothaus, Schuttler, Stewart, Trelogan, and Worrall. Absent members with alternates: Hesse (Connolly). Members absent: Liefer and Thompson. Guests: Denise Battles, David Caldwell, Dick Dietz, and Jack Temkin.

The agenda was approved as amended by deleting #2 under New Business. The October 24 minutes were approved unanimously.

Announcements

- The following Senate Actions have been approved by the administration:
 - #899 appointing Jack Temkin to the Constitutional Review Authority.
 - #900 regarding the new grading scale.

President's Report (Norton)

- The CCHE
 - discussed what the budget may look like with the passing of Referendum C.
 - voted to increase the stipend from \$2,400 to \$2,560 and requested additional general funds to the COF process which adds up to an 11 percent increase in the higher education budget.
 - hopes the governor will agree to \$10 million in financial aid.
 - will request for this year a supplemental appropriation of \$50 million to deal with unfunded enrollment, which is almost 900 FTE.
 - discussed capital of which there is a significant shortfall to address the needs identified.
- The University's goal is to minimize or limit tuition increases for next year.
- As a consequence of Referendum C passing, the President disbanded the Joint Retrenchment Committee.
- A packet with information regarding the UNC Foundation has been delivered to the Senate chair.
- Currently the plan will be salary increases of 3.1 percent across the board.

Provost's Report (Huang)

- The Board's Academic Subcommittee talked about programs:
 - it wants to make sure that curriculum is in line with the University's mission.

- resulting from a two-year study and, as the University needs to make better use of its facilities, a pilot will be initiated in December, 2006 for a four to five week winter session. Overwhelming support was given by the SRC. The COF can be applied to this session. Faculty can use the teaching as in-load or overload. The programs would be cash-funded.

Salary Equity Committee (Rothaus)

- The Senate Executive Committee directed the Committee to request Tom Gavin look into a new peer group, specifically to look at the Big Sky Conference for the peer institutions.

Academic Policies Committee (Blubaugh) - No report

Codification Committee (Schuttler)

- Work continues on the Manual and Regulations.

Elections Committee (Embry)

- Tracy Salter was elected to represent PVA on the General Education Council and Juliet White-Smith was elected to represent PVA on the Graduate Council.

Faculty Welfare Committee (Luger)

- The Committee has two motions under New Business.
- The Evaluation Conference Committee formed last year to resolve the differences between the Senate and the administration regarding evaluation disbanded itself. The President forwarded recommended policy changes and will meet with the Committee to discuss the issues. A resolution must be made quickly as it almost the end of the year and evaluations will be due.

Joint Retrenchment Committee (Temkin)

- The President was thanked for her cooperation, Tom Gavin for his excellent resources, Marianne Dinges and Vicki Garcia for their support, and the members Marshall Clough, Ellen Gregg, Steve Gustafson, Allen Huang, Virginia Jenkins, Randy Lennon, Ken McConnellogue, Ron Reed, and Fran Schoneck for their time on behalf of the faculty

Board of Trustees (Blanke)

- The Academic Subcommittee of the Board had requested earlier data on course requirements for some programs and graduation rates for each of the last three years. As the concern is low enrollment in some of the emphasis areas in particular, verification when and why some of the programs should continue was requested. It was noted that the curriculum is in the purview of the faculty and the committee members agreed. Governance processes that are in place will be used, e.g., program review instead of putting something else in place.

Cultural Centers (Oya)

- The Centers are working with the Library staff to look at different ways for better student usage and to combine services.
- Students from Greeley Central and Aurora Central, both schools with high Latino enrollment, have visited the Cesar Chavez Center. Recruitment is in high gear.
- The Native American Student Services will hold its Thanksgiving celebration on November 17 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the UC with Danny Many Horses, a Native American flutist. The feast will be held in the House.
- The Marcus Garvey Center is still looking for a director. The Kwansa Celebration will take place Monday-Wednesday next week.
- APASS will begin its annual scholarship fund raising with the Six Senses of Sake on January 20.
 - A lunch with faculty and students was held last week with guest Chuck Collins who gave a presentation on Storms and Lightning. The event was co-sponsored with the University Programming Council and the Diversity Center. The purpose of the lunches will be to increase faculty visibility in the Houses. Faculty interested in sharing their interest should contact the UPC.

Professional Administrative Staff Council (Posselt)

- Those faculty attending the Governance Social were thanked for their participation.
- The topic for the Brown Bag Lunch on November 15 at 11:30 a.m. will be "Compensation Commission Follow-up: Important Questions about Merit Pay, Incentives, Stipends, Equity, Compression and Other Issues Surrounding Compensation."

