



# FACULTY SENATE FORUM

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Below are the minutes of the November 12, 2007 Faculty Senate meeting. The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 26, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. in the UC Council Room with the following agenda.

## AGENDA FOR THE NOVEMBER 26, 2007 SENATE MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of the November 12 Minutes
4. Announcements
  - Chair's Report
    - Report on Academic Council
5. Administrative Reports: President's Office, Academic Affairs
6. Reports of Standing Committees: Elections, Faculty Welfare, Salary Equity, Academic Policies, Codification, Academic Planning, BOT, Cultural Centers, Information Technology Committee, PASC, SPEEC, SRC
7. Special Reports
  - Gloria Reynolds, Executive Director of Communication, Media Relations
8. Special Orders
  - Appointment to the Faculty Welfare Committee
9. Unfinished Business
10. New Business
  - Motion for Executive Committee regarding the President's Planning Council
  - Grade for academic dishonesty ("xf" grade)
11. Other New Business
12. Comments to the Good of the Order
13. Adjournment

## MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 12, 2007 SENATE MEETING

Members present: Allen, Battles, Clough, Connolly, de la Torre, Dietz, Embry, Erskine, Griggs, Harraf, Kalu, Klingsmith, Lamb, Luger, Luttmann, Mackessy, Murry, Perrett, Rennaker, Temkin, Toewe, and Trelogan. Absent member(s) with alternate: Gaede (Erskine), Hauk (Blubaugh), Merrill (Erskine), Norton (Langer), Schuttler (Temkin), and Stewart (Erskine). Member(s) absent: Clarke, Clinefelter, Hartgers, Hesse, Jankow, Klein, Lennon, Nutter, Percy, and Willis. Guests: David Caldwell, Andrew Dame, Virgil Scott, and Jeannette vanGalder.

The agenda was approved as amended by moving New Business to follow Administrative Reports. The October 29 minutes were approved as amended by noting under the Provost's Report:

- fifth bullet to read, "The deans . . . professional and ~~personal~~ individual goals."
- last bullet to read, "Graduate faculty discussed ~~are talking about~~ not having a graduate summer graduation ceremony."

### Announcements

- Chair's Report
  - Academic Council – No report

### President's Office (Langer for Norton)

- The budget process is different this year beginning with a reverse mark from the Governor's Office which is a mark increase of \$59.5 million of which \$49.7 million will go for the operating budget. The Colorado Department of Higher Education will work with the State institutions to figure each of the allocations. The process began with hearings where each institution to presented their budget needs.

UNC's needs are for inflationary increase, market adjustments for faculty compensation, new faculty positions, infrastructure, and scholarships.

- The Presidents Planning Council is being reconfigured. Some of the positions will remain from the prior year and others will be new. The members by position will be the Chair of the Faculty Senate, the Faculty Trustee, 3 faculty members specified by the Faculty Senate, chairs of the Professional Administrative Staff Council and the State Personnel Employees Executive Council, representatives from the UNC Foundation and Athletics, the presidents of the Graduate Student Association and Student Representative Council, the VP for University Relations for the Student Representative Council, the Student Trustee, and the president of the Student Athlete Advisory Council. In addition, 5-7 faculty members will be appointed by the President in consultation with the Provost based on years of experience in certain areas that are critical to University planning. The charge includes previous task, new requests on specific issues, and a separate charge to evaluate Charting the Future.
  - It was noted that the Faculty Senate chooses the faculty representatives, or the method by which the representatives are chosen, not the President. The same discussion has been held many times and there have been several motions to this effect.
- On a side note, examples of poor press coverage were cited. There was an ad in the *Denver Post* entitled "Transforming Lives" that pictured a faculty member. The concerns were that there was no mention of the college, program area, or the name of the faculty member, who is an international scholar. In addition, the picture was at least three years old. Another media shoot pictured three students without mention of the college, program area, or their names. In another "Transforming Lives" ad the individual featured had his name, position, and where he worked cited. Another example was in the magazine *Vision*. A faculty member's name was misspelled, she was not interviewed for the article, and there was misinformation about the program (China 101). There have been other bad instances of marketing with poor or incorrect information. It was suggested that the head of media communications be invited to the next Senate meeting.
- Dan Weaver, UNC's lobbyist at the State and federal levels, briefly talked about what action is taking place regarding the legislative advocacy for UNC. The State legislature does recognize the need to build the dollars that go into higher education and are daily working on the funding issues. There has been an 8 percent increase. In the next year or so there will be some kind of resolution on budgeting for higher education, transportation and health care. Weaver will work with Connolly as the President of the local chapter of the American Association of University Professors.
  - Last year CSU received a grant for thousands of dollars for its history department/program. It was questioned as to how that occurred.
  - Higher education lobbyists are working with about 4-5 legislators and the Governor on the use of the federal minerals lease dollars. They are trying to put about \$250 million in a trust fund and then use the interest from that fund for higher education capital.

#### Provost's Report (Harraf)

- There are 672 students enrolled in the Interim Session; 65 of those students have not identified their current college. Enrollment has been going up by about 100 each week.
- The school directors will meet November 14. There are 2 meetings per semester.
- The Provost met with the Liberal Arts Council who is embarking on a summer reading program for freshmen for next summer, and is working with the Foundation as a funding source. A list of books from other universities (e.g., Berkeley) has been given to the LAC chair.
- The UCLA survey has gone out to 600-700 people. The site will be kept open until January. The survey takes about 20 minutes to complete.
- The Provost will give the Faculty Research and Publications Board some roll forward money to use for faculty travel, grant writing, etc.

#### New Business

1. MOTION: Perrett moved that the Faculty Senate charges the Information Technology Committee (ITC) to look into the University policy of donating "sanitized" computers to outside

entities. Further, if there is no policy, the ITC is to ensure that a policy is in place to use industry-standard methods to guarantee no information can be retrieved from the “sanitized” computer hard drives before turning them over to other entities. A representative of the ITC is to report its findings to the Senate no later than November 26, 2007.

As it was discovered that UNC’s old computers go to the Department of Corrections, the concern is that there is software on the internet that can pull up the information from the hard drives. Discussion continued with Jeannette VanGalder, Assistant Vice President for Information Technology, regarding the software and procedure that UNC uses to sanitize computers, what the procedures are for disposing of old computers, etc. Darwin Little is in charge of inventory control and works with Information Technology. More information can be found at <http://www.unco.edu/it/equipmentdisposal.htm> and <http://www.unco.edu/it/security/mediadisposal.htm>. Following the discussion, the motion was withdrawn.

Codification Committee (Temkin for Schuttler) – No report

Elections Committee (Luttmann) – No report

Faculty Welfare Committee (Temkin)

-- The Committee continues to work on evaluation, and promotion and tenure policies.

Salary Equity Committee (Connolly)

-- The Committee had promised a proposal for the Senate November 12 meeting but it decided that it wants to look at it one more time in committee.

Academic Policies Committee (Embry)

-- The Liberal Arts Council determined that all courses in the liberal arts core in categories 1-6 that are not accepted into the gtPathways will be eliminated. It is required in the performance contract with the State. There are about 20 courses in jeopardy. Courses double listed in areas 7 and 8 may stay in 7 or 8. It was noted that courses may continue to be resubmitted after they have not been accepted as a gtPathways course until they are accepted.

Student Representative Council (Lamb)

-- The Student Fee Allocation process has started.

-- Groups that have been funded gave reviews for 2006.

-- An elections commissioner and two assistants will be hired.

-- Conference grants packets for next semester will be available November 19.

Academic Planning Committee (Embry) – No report

Board of Trustees – No report

Cultural Centers (Rennaker)

-- On November 14 the Native American Student Services will host a free “Thanksgiving is Every Day” dinner at 5:00 p.m.

Information Technology Committee (VanGalder for Nutter)

-- The Committee gathered feedback from across campus to prioritize an agenda. The results indicate that URSA is the most important concern followed by communication.

-- The standards subcommittee continues to work on a project management plan.

-- The Committee has a web site where the agenda is posted.

Professional Administrative Staff Council (Klingsmith) – No report

State Personnel Employee Executive Council – No report

Special Reports

1. Andrew Dame, Director of Annual Giving for the UNC Foundation, presented the highlights of Team UNC. Virgil Scott, CEO of the UNC Foundation, Inc., updated the Senate on current fund raising and projections through 2011-12. The actual 2006-07 total of \$4,450,035 was a plateau over the last 6 years.

-- The ads for “Transforming Lives” will run 5 weekends in the fall and five weekends in the spring.

They are a first step in the capital campaign intended to bring recognition to UNC’s name.

-- Emeritus faculty and the Foundation are sponsoring an estate planning seminar presented by Cris de la Torre, associate professor of Finance at UNC.

