## Faculty Council Cameron Applied Research Center 101 November 30, 2006

**Present** (ex officio): Meg Morgan (President), Cheryl Brown (President Elect), Blair Rudes (Secretary), Rosemary Booth (Past President), Alan Rauch for William Gay (A & S), Mike Corwin (A & S), Charles Bodkin (BUS), Warren DiBiase (EDUC), Gary Teng (ENG), Ken Chen (C & I), Amanda Harmon (LIB), Phil Dubois (Chancellor), Joan Lorden (Provost), Tom Reynolds (Dean, Graduate School), Bill for Nancy Gutierrez (Dean, A & S), John Gandar for Claude Lilly (Dean, BUS), Mary Lynne Calhoun (Dean, EDUC), Robert Johnson (Dean, ENG), Mirsad Hadzikadic (Dean, CI), Dennis Long for Karen Schmaling (Dean, HHS)

**Absent** (ex officio): David Walters (ARCH), Cynthia Combs (A & S), Jackie Dienemann (HHS), Amy Dykeman (University Librarian), Ken Lambla (Dean, ARCH)

Present (unit representatives): Howard Godfrey (ACCT), Scott Rose (AERO), Veronica Walker (AFRS), Chris Grech (ARCH), Mark Clemens (BIOL), Doug Cooper (BISOM), Thomas DuBois (CHEM), Johnny Graham (CENG), Alan Freitag (COMM), Lyndon Abrams (COUN), Beth Bjerregaard (CJUS), E.E. Balcos (DATH), Ivan Howitt (ECE), Ed Braun (ET), Jennifer Munroe (ENGL), Louis Trosch, Sr. (FINN), Walt Martin (GEOG/ES), Jessica Hartos (HBA), Lyman Johnson (HIST), 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), Ryan Kilmer (PSYC), Jack Piel (REEL), Sean McCloud (RELS), Sonya Hardin (SON), Murray Webster (SOC/ANTH), Marcia Shobe (SOWK), Yuliang Zheng (SIS), JaneDiane Smith (SPED)

Present (unit alternates): James Frakes (ART), Alice Tseng (ECON), Michael Jazzar (EDLD),

**Absent** (unit representatives): Zachary Wartell (CS), Dale Grote (LCS), Sunil Erevelles (MKTG), Robert McCall (MILSCI),

Also present: Charlynn Ross (UCAE), Sharon Thorpe (Univ. Career Center), John Bland (Public Relations), Janet Daniel (Office of Adult Students & Evening Services), Connie Martin (Continuing Education), Cynthia Wolf Johnson (Academic Services), Wayne Walcott (Academic Affairs), Mary Pat Young (Academic Affairs), Kathi Baucom (Enrollment Mangement), Richard Yount (Registrar),

Dr. Meg Morgan called the meeting to order at 12:30 pm.

## 1. Approval of the Minutes of the October 19, 2006 meeting of the Faculty Council.

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

## 2. Motion to Award Degrees

Dr. Lorden requested approval of the motion to award degrees that was distributed electronically to the members of the Council. Dr. McCloud seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

# 3. Faculty Executive Council Items from the Faculty Academic Policy and Standards Committee (FAPSC)

Dr. Booth made a motion to approve the proposed FAPSC revision to Policy 16.5 on submission of grades. Dr. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed with one abstention.

Dr. Morgan summarized the discussion in Faculty Executive Council concerning the grade replacement policy and noted that the policy statement was returned to FAPSC for the development of implementation guidelines. Dr. Booth noted that the new policy is not effective until Fall 2007.

## 4. Report from Peter Franz, Facilities Management

Mr. Franz narrated a PowerPoint presentation on the design of the new main entrance to the university. Dr. Morgan asked whether there would be sidewalks for pedestrians. Mr. Franz noted that the current funding provided only for the initial construction involving the first pillars. Construction will begin after the May 2007 commencement. Council members raised questions about the look of the sign bearing the name "UNC Charlotte," the name itself, the issue of branding for the university, connections to the new light rail system, and signage at secondary entrances to the campus. Mr. Franz concluded his presentation with slides of the new student union and bioinformatics buildings.

### 5. Report of the Chancellor (Dr. Philip Dubois)

Dr. Dubois noted that there have been meetings all semester on the budget with a focus on enabling functions – support and facilities. Dr. Lorden is chairing the enrollment projections group and should have projected numbers by the end of the semester. Dr. Lorden is also chairing a small group that is examining the campus mission plan; one goal is to shorten the mission statement.

He commented that he will be talking about the mission of the President's PACE group on campus efficiency looking at mandatory direct deposit.

The university is getting ready to select an architect for the new center city building. The building will not be ready until 2009-2010.

He concluded by noting that the university alumni are pushing for a change in the institution's name to the "University of Charlotte."

## 6. Report of the Provost (Dr. Joan Lorden)

Dr. Lorden began with a brief explanation of the reasons for the recent change in the exam schedule, noting that the change resulted from problems with the Banner system. Council members noted that the change was causing problems for students with taking more than two exams. There was also a question about how long ago the administration had know there was going to be a problem with scheduling exams. It was noted that the exam scheduling problem was symptomatic of a large problem with computer systems compatibility on campus. Dr. Lorden concluded by noting that the exam scheduling problem will not occur again.

She then provided a PowerPoint presentation that highlighted findings from the COACHE Survey. She noted that the full results of the survey could be viewed at <a href="https://www.provost.uncc.edu">www.provost.uncc.edu</a>. A question was raised about how the faculty could use the results. Dr. Lorden responded that the results could stimulate discussion of issues. Dr. Rauch noted that there are several factors such as the amount of program building by junior faculty and homogeneity on campus that the survey did not take into account. Dr. Lorden agreed. when asked whether the survey would be conducted on a regular basis, Dr. Lorden replied that she does not know.

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

Dr. Brown invited Council members to go online and look at the Faculty Assembly website to see what the Faculty Assembly is doing. Note was also made of starting a Common Reading Program for freshmen in the Freshmen Seminars.

## 8. Report of the President (Dr. Meg Morgan)

None.

#### 9. New Business

None.

Dr. Amato moved to adjourn. Dr. Brown seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 1:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Blair Rudes

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