

**Governance Committee of the Faculty Senate**  
**November 17, 2015 Minutes**  
**3:30 pm**  
**Room 233 University Center**

<b>Frankie Powell</b>	<b>Stephen Bukowy</b>	<b>Jesse Peters</b>
<b>Cherry Beasley</b>	<b>Ottis Murray</b>	<b>Sally Vallabha</b>
<b>Angela McDonald</b>	<b>David Nikkel</b>	<b>Kirill Bumin</b>

*Members Present:* Frankie Powell, Stephen Bukowy, Jesse Peters, Cherry Beasley, Sally Vallabha, Angela McDonald, David Nikkel, Kirill Bumin

*Members Absent:* Ottis Murray

- I. Call to Order, 3:33PM
- II. Approval of Minutes of October 20, 2015 ([Appendix A](#))  
  
The minutes were approved unanimously.
- III. Approval of Agenda  
  
The agenda was approved without additions or corrections.
- IV. Report from the Chair  
Chair Jesse Peters initiated follow-up discussion related to the Committee on Faculty Governance request to meet with Chancellor Cummings and Provost Locklear. The initial request to meet was denied. The committee continues to have interest in meeting with the Chancellor and Provost. Chair Peters discussed the status of the Senate-approved attendance policy and the new academic department budgeting processes.
- V. Unfinished Business  
  
Further discussion of recommendations regarding the formation of a faculty advocate committee and/or an ombudsperson position at UNCP ([Appendix B](#)): David Nikkel proposed draft language regarding a faculty advocate committee. Frankie Powell moved to accept. Stephen Bukowy seconded. Kirill Bumin asked question to clarify language and two friendly amendments to the wording were made. Motion carries with friendly amendments and passed unanimously. This language will be sent to Faculty Senate for further discussion of placement within constitution and bylaws
- VI. Further discussion of shared governance at UNCP, with an update from Senate Chair Hicks.

Recent communication from Senate Chair Hicks was reviewed. The committee discussed ways to educate and empower faculty regarding the faculty role in shared governance, as well as ways to establish sense of community on campus among faculty. Discussed the possibility of a Senate-sponsored forum for faculty about shared governance. Related to shared governance, the committee composition of various university committees was also discussed. David Nickel proposed continued discussion of QEP committee. The committee engaged in further discussion of determining responsibility for reviewing course clustering. Chair Peters indicated a related response is forthcoming from the General Education Committee. Continued discussion of roles of faculty, chairs, and deans in reviewing enrollment data and addressing issues that may arise.

VII. New Business

Discussion of the possible revision to divisions by departments or areas in the UNCP Faculty Constitution ([Appendix C](#)):

The Committee reviewed the list of divisions used for Senate voting and representation. There are some outdated distributions of departments across the divisions; members proposed edits. Chair Peters will discuss proposed edits with Faculty Senate.

VIII. Announcements: Multiple events on campus related to Native American Heritage Month and faculty are encouraged to attend.

IX. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 5:03PM

Respectfully submitted by:

Angela McDonald  
Secretary

## Appendix B

### Sample Language forthcoming from Dr. David Nikkel

There shall be a Faculty Grievance Assistance Committee to serve as a resource to faculty members in navigating the procedures and processes of the University's hearing and grievance policies. This Committee shall consist of three members, who may serve up to three years; a member who has served three years consecutively must be off the Committee for at least one year before being eligible to serve again. Only former (not currently serving) members of the Faculty Senate, the Faculty Grievance Committee, or the Faculty Hearing Committee shall be eligible to serve. Any outgoing Chair of the Faculty Senate, the Faculty Grievance Committee, or the Faculty Hearing Committee will be invited to serve provided an opening is available on the Committee. Other members of the Committee shall be appointed by the ~~Executive Committee~~ ~~Committee on Committees~~ of the Faculty Senate.

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## Appendix C

### Article V Section 5 (p.22-23 faculty handbook)

Divisions by ~~Departments or~~ Areas

- A. Division of Arts:
  - Art
  - Drama/~~Theater~~
  - Music
  - Librarians
- B. Division of Education
  - Education
  - Health, Physical Education, and Recreation
  - (Add Counseling)
- C. Division of Letters
  - American Indian Studies
  - English ~~and Theatre~~
  - Foreign Languages
  - History
  - Mass Communications (move to Arts?)
  - Philosophy and Religion (separate)
- D. Division of Natural Science and Mathematics
  - Biology
  - Geology and Geography
  - Mathematics and Computer Science
  - Nursing
  - Chemistry and Physics
- E. Division of Social and Behavioral Science
  - ~~Business Administration~~
  - ~~Public Management~~
  - Political Science and Public Administration (separate)
  - Psychology ~~and Counseling~~
  - Sociology, Social Work and Criminal Justice (separate)

Academic Departments Listed on UNCP website:

- [American Indian Studies](#)
- [Art](#)
- [Biology](#)
- [Chemistry and Physics](#)
- [Educational Leadership and Counseling](#)
- [Education Specialties](#)
- [Elementary Education](#)
- [English, Theatre and Foreign Languages](#)

- Geology and Geography
- Health, Physical Education and Recreation
- History
- Mass Communication
- Mathematics and Computer Science
- Military Science (Army ROTC)
- Music
- Nursing
- Philosophy and Religion
- Political Science and Public Administration
- Psychology
- Social Work
- Sociology and Criminal Justice

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