The University of North Carolina at Pembroke Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes, Taken by Joe West

Wednesday, Oct 2, 2019 at 3:30 p.m. EDUC 222

Abigail Man, Chair Joseph Van Hassel, Secretary

Members of the Senate:

To 2020	To 2021	То 2022
ART Joseph Van Hassel	ART Mark Tollefsen	ART Laura Hess
CHS Jeffrey Warren	CHS Shenika Jones	CHS Misty Stone
EDN Joe Sciulli	EDN David Oxendine	EDN Gretchen Robinson
LET Abigail Mann	LET Wendy Miller	LET Robin Snead
NSM Nathan Phillippi	NSM Benjamin Killian	NSM Bill Brandon
SBS Michael Spivey	SBS Jack Spillan	SBS Victor Bahhouth
At-Large Melissa Schuab	At-Large Cherry Beasley	
At-Large Ottis Murray	At-Large Susan Edkins	
At-Large Joe West	At-Large David Young	
Chancellor Robin G. Cummings Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs David Ward		

Members Present: Victor Bahhouth, Cherry Beasley, Robin Cummings, Laura Hess, Shenika Jones, Benjamin Killian, Abigail Mann, Wendy Miller, Ottis Murray, David Oxendine, Nathan Phillippi, Gretchen Robinson, Melissa Schaub, Joe Sciulli, Robin Snead, Jack Spillan, Michael Spivey, Misty Stone, Jeffrey Warren, Joe West, David Young

Members Absent: Bill Brandon, Susan Edkins, Mark Tollefsen, Joseph Van Hassel, David Ward

Guests: Cathy Lee Arcuino, Scott Billingsley, Kirill Bumin, Thomas Crowe-Allbritton, Dalton Hoffer, Beth Holder, Zoe Locklear

Order of Business

- A. Roll Call Meeting started at 1530
- **B.** Approval of Minutes: (Appendix A): Approved as submitted
- C. Adoption of Agenda adding Virginia to the budget committee (friendly amendment)

D. Reports from Administration

- 1. Chancellor—Robin G. Cummings, running late. Arrived at 3:36. NC Promise, 7700 students, 7.9% increase this year over last year. Board of trustees retreat. AGB representative spoke about the state of higher education; we are facing headwinds. She recommends that UNCP grow strategically. Chancellor compares the state of higher education to the state of medicine. UNCP will face growing competition as the number of students entering higher education due to shrinking demographics. We want to be able to have our students tell us why UNCP is a good fit for them. High quality, low cost, exceptional experience. We have tripled our marketing budget
- 2. Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs—David Ward Scott Billingsley reporting for David. Two Dean searches ongoing. Three committees being assembled. Graduate school and military outreach are now in Hickory Hall North. Gardner & Barefoot focus groups, next visit for Betsy and John will be more formal. Scott turned the floor over to Beth Holder and she spoke about John and Betsy visit.

E. Reports of Committees

- 1. Operations Committees
 - a. Executive Committee—Abigail Mann
 - a. Faculty Senate 3 Things:
 - a. Continue to advocate for campus safety and push discussion forward about securing classrooms: working with Faculty Assembly and BoG to advocate for system wide policies to establish minimum safety requirements.
 - b. Working with DoIT to clarify procedures for changing user name, re-white-listing blocked URLs (spoiler: DoIT will process these immediately). Joe explained dynamic filtering of URLs.
 - c. Working to make curriculum approval process as clear and easy for faculty as possible. A new flowchart is being developed to make the process more clear. Faculty will fill out a paper form, which will be entered into curriculog, and then the results will be verified. Abby requested that we hand out slips of papers with these three items on them.
 - b. System President Search (https://northcarolina.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9TAfsZS-HNcvueCF):
 - 1) What are the strengths and opportunities of the UNC System?, school diversity is a strength, geographically and educationally. UNC Brand is developed partially (a strength) but has a way to go (a weakness).
 - 2) What are the weaknesses and challenges? Some faculty do not like online teaching. Decline in state support impacting smaller schools but not larger schools with huge endowments.
 - 3) In light of both opportunities and challenges, what are the essential qualities needed to be the leader of the

UNC System? No partisanship, a political independent? Is this good or bad? (Melissa Schaub).

- c. Office Hours/Faculty Discussions Report. Why are mid-terms due before fall break? Because mid-terms are MID-TERMS. Cherry; calendar committee faculty members? Who are they? Minority retention (ethnic and racial). Faculty and student participation in the committee reflective of faculty and student demographics on campus? AIS committee.
- **b.** Committee on Committees & Elections—David Oxendine
 - **a.** Approval of Committee/Subcommittee nominations and information on appointments (Appendix B). Motion to accept appendix B in a single vote. Approved unanimously. Vote: unanimously positive.
- **c.** Committee on Faculty Governance—Cherry Beasley. Chair-Elect position to allow continuity in Faculty Senate Chair? Other ideas will
 - a. Scott Hicks, Chair
 - b.3rd Thursday of the Month Meeting Time for Oversight of Faculty Handbook Committee

2. Standing Committees

- a. Academic Affairs Committee—Robin Snead
 - a. Informational: Maintaining/Improving Retention as main focus of the year
 - a. The HAWKalert system, the encouragement to use it, and the issues faculty have expressed with it.
 - b. Need for revision of our Gen Ed program
 - c. Assessment of noncognitive factors that affect persistence and retention (see Appendix C for example)
- b. Faculty & Institutional Affairs Committee— Joe Sciulli
- c. Student Affairs & Campus Life Committee—David Young
 - a. Informational: Interpersonal Violence Statement
- **d.** Academic Information Technology Committee—Joe West
 - a. FOIA laws on listservs.
 - b. UNCP usernames, legal name changes required to update official records
 - c. Preferred names are waiting on policy approval for preferred names.
 - d. Email address changes will be done expeditiously.
 - e. Cherry Can we require laptops and fund them for students?

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- **E.** Faculty Assembly (Appendix D). Faculty involvement in various committees. Roles of HMSIs in our system: video coming up on this topic. Examining benefits this year.
- **F.** Teacher Education Committee (Appendices E and F)
- **G.** Graduate Council (Appendix G)
- H. Other Committees
- **G.** Unfinished Business
 - 1. Ad-hoc Committee Reports: AIS requirement, Schedule (completed), Budget.
 - 2. Recording Faculty Senate Meetings straw poll passed unanimously.

- **3.** Motion to extend 5 minutes. Passed unanimously.
- I. New Business. Kathy Lee Jail-a-thon to raise money.
 - I. For the Good of the Order
 - II. TLC049@bravemail.uncp.edu Thomas SGA President. Homecoming, introduction.
 - III. Melissa Schaub keep attaching documents to email rather than using dropbox.
 - IV. Staff council homecoming, spirit days.
- J. Announcements
- K. Adjournment