

**The University of North Carolina at Pembroke**  
**Faculty Senate Minutes**  
 Wednesday, November 2, 2016 at 3:30 p.m.  
 213 Chavis University Center

Sara Simmons, Chair  
 Aaron Vandermeer, Secretary

Members of the Senate:

To 2017	To 2018	To 2019
<b>ART</b> Jonathan Maisonpierre	<b>ART</b> June Power	<b>ART</b> Aaron Vandermeer
<b>EDN</b> Joe Sciulli	<b>EDN</b> Carol Higy	<b>EDN</b> Heather Dial Sellers
<b>LET</b> Cynthia Miecznikowski	<b>LET</b> Jesse Peters	<b>LET</b> Enrique Porrua
<b>NSM</b> Tom Dooling	<b>NSM</b> Dennis McCracken	<b>NSM</b> Sally Vallabha
<b>SBS</b> Brooke Kelly	<b>SBS</b> Xinyan Shi	<b>SBS</b> Mitu Ashraf
<b>At-Large</b> Scott Hicks	<b>At-Large</b> Beverly Justice	<b>At-Large</b> Jose D'Arruda
<b>At-Large</b> David Nikkel	<b>At-Large</b> Cliff Mensah	<b>At-Large</b> Polina Chemishanova
<b>At-Large</b> Sara Simmons	<b>At-Large</b> David Young	<b>At-Large</b> John Parnell
<b>Chancellor</b> Robin G. Cummings <b>Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs</b> Zoe Locklear		

**Members Present:** Mitu Ashraf, Polina Chemishanova, Robin Cummings, Jose D'Arruda, Heather Sellers, Tom Dooling, Scott Hicks, Beverly Justice, Brooke Kelly, Jonathan Maisonpierre, Dennis McCracken, Cliff Mensah, Cynthia Miecznikowski, David Nikkel, John Parnell, Jesse Peters, Enrique Porrua, June Power, Joe Sciulli, Xinyan Shi, Sara Simmons, Sally Vallabha, Aaron Vandermeer, David Young

**Members Absent:** Carol Higy, Zoe Locklear **Guests:** Irene Aiken, Nick Arena, Scott Billingsley, Al Bryant, Sherry Edwards, Joy Fuqua, Richard Gay, Carole Graham, Dan Kenney, Angela McDonald, Mark Milewicz, Elizabeth Normandy, Julie Smith, Dennis Swanson, Joe West

**Order of Business**

- A. Roll Call** The meeting was called to order at 3:30PM
- B. Approval of Minutes**—The Minutes were approved as disseminated.
- C. Adoption of Agenda**—The Agenda was adopted as disseminated.
- D. Reports from Administration**
  - 1. Chancellor—Robin G. Cummings Provost Locklear expects to return in two to four weeks. UNC Chapel Hill School of Education recognized Dr. Locklear's achievements, presenting her with the 2016 Distinguished Leadership Award. The Provost Search Committee, has met three times. They interviewed three search firms,

and chose Academic Search, who worked with us for the most recent Chancellor search. They will meet again Monday to discuss the job description. A survey has been sent out campus-wide seeking input. Lab School legislation passed in the most recent legislative session. Eight colleges are proposed to participate, including UNCP. This will be overseen by BOT of each institution. Locations will be determined by GA. Chancellor Cummings is pushing for UNCP to start in second wave (2018-19). Dr. Cummings will meet with Mr. Tommy Lowry, Superintendent of Robeson County Public Schools. The BOG and GA are developing a strategic plan for the UNC system based on primary factors of Affordability, Accessibility, Student Success, Economic Impact, and Diverse Institutions. They seek our input on definitions and metrics. A public forum will be held on the UNCP campus on November 9. The Chancellor met with the faculty of the Master of School Administration Program this morning—Wednesday, November 2—to discuss online learning, its role at UNCP, and a vision for the future. Dr. Cummings's preference is that UNCP be a model for a regional university and be in a position to dictate our own future.

2. Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs—Zoe Locklear Dr. Scott Billingsley reported for Dr. Locklear. He gave a recap and update on information related to UNCP's efforts during and after Hurricane Matthew. Aaron Vandermeer was commended for sending out surveys to locate students, faculty, and staff and to determine any immediate needs. There are no changes to the Promotion and Tenure policy for the current academic year. Dr. Billingsley also gave an update on the new policy regarding Post-Tenure Review. Five year plans are to be completed when a faculty member completes the P&T cycle. Updates to the Faculty Handbook have been completed. If errors are discovered, contact Dr. Liz Normandy. The university is considering a new Health Administration degree. Dr. Normandy is in contact with related departments. We already have many of the requisite courses. Academic Staff from UNCGA, including Dr. Junius Gonzalez, Dr. Kim van Noort, and Dr. Tracey Ford, were on campus to meet with a number of people. The visit was very productive. There will be a follow-up phone conversation with Dr. Billingsley. The search for an AVC for Enrollment is underway. A search firm has been secured and the position is posted. Although the position description didn't change much, this position will now report to Chancellor.

## **E. Reports of Committees**

### **1. Operations Committees**

a. Executive Committee—Sara Simmons Dr. Simmons recognized those who helped with hurricane aid. She noted that some people are still struggling and will continue to need assistance. President Spellings was on campus last week. Chair Simmons and Secretary Vandermeer met with her briefly for a photo, as did student and staff leadership. Members of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee (Simmons, Vandermeer, Peters) met with Dr. Kimberly van Noort from GA on October 27. They discussed the strategic plan, AP-like agreements, and shared governance. Dr. Simmons encouraged senators to

participate in the upcoming Strategic Planning forum on November 9, noting the opportunity to serve as a “compiler.” At the request of CIO Crouch, the Executive Committee is developing a process to appoint a task force to make some recommendations about a Learning Management System. A meeting of the General Faculty is scheduled for December 9. If senators have suggestions for invited speakers, please notify the chair.

- b. Committee on Committees & Elections—Tom Dooling CCE is running elections for Faculty Senate divisional seats. A special election is being run for a seat on the Faculty Awards Committee in the Letters division. At-large elections for Faculty Senate will be run soon.
- c. Committee on Faculty Governance—Jesse Peters The last meeting was canceled due to Hurricane Matthew.

## 2. Standing Committees

- a. Academic Affairs Committee—Jonathan Maisonpierre
  - 1) Proposal from the Department of Social Work to revise requirements for MSW Advanced Standing and Summer Bridge programs (Academic Affairs Committee 9-0-0)—See Appendix B in the Agenda **Approved 21-0-0**
  - 2) Proposal from the Writing Intensive Committee to add BRD 3170 Screenwriting to the Writing Intensive Program as a Writing in the Disciplines course (Academic Affairs Committee, 9-0-0)—See Appendix C in the Agenda **Approved 21-0-0**
- b. Faculty & Institutional Affairs Committee— Jesse Peters
  - 1) Recommendation to modify BraveBook Defining Objective 12 (Faculty and Institutional Affairs Committee, unanimous)—See Appendix D in the Agenda **Approved 21-0-0**
- c. Student Affairs & Campus Life Committee—Brooke Kelly The last meeting was canceled due to storm.

### **F. Faculty Assembly Report**

### **G. Teacher Education Committee Report**

**H. Graduate Council Report**—Dr. Aiken distributed a paper report to senators.

### **I. Other Committee Reports**

### **J. Unfinished Business**

### **K. New Business**

### **L. Announcements**

**M. Adjournment**—The meeting was adjourned at 4:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Aaron Vandermeer, Secretary