# The University of North Carolina at Pembroke Faculty Senate Minutes

Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2015, at 3:30 p.m. 213 Chavis University Center

Scott Hicks, Chair Roger Guy, Secretary

#### Members of the Senate:

To 2016	To 2017	To 2018
<b>ART</b> Aaron Vandermeer	ART Jonathan	<b>ART</b> June Power
	Maisonpierre	
<b>EDN</b> Susan Edkins	<b>EDN</b> Joe Sciulli	EDN Carol Higy
<b>LET</b> Polina Chemishanova	<b>LET</b> Cynthia	<b>LET</b> Jesse Peters
	Miecznikowski	
NSM Patricia Sellers	NSM Tom Dooling	<b>NSM</b> Marilu Santos
SBS Rick Crandall	SBS Brooke Kelly	<b>SBS</b> Xinyan Shi
At-Large Jeff Bolles	At-Large Scott Hicks	<b>At-Large</b> Beverly Justice
<b>At-Large</b> Jose D'Arruda	<b>At-Large</b> David Nikkel	At-Large Cliff Mensah
<b>At-Large</b> Roger Guy	At-Large Sara Simmons	At-Large David Young
Chancellor Robin G. Cummings		
Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Zoe Locklear		

**Members Present:** Polina Chemishanova, Robin G. Cummings, Jose D'Arruda, Tom Dooling, Susan Edkins, Roger Guy, Scott Hicks, Carol Higy, Beverly Justice, Brooke Kelly, Zoe Locklear, Jonathan Maisonpierre, Cliff Mensah, Cynthia Miecznikowski, David Nikkel, Jesse Peters, Marilu Santos, Xinyan Shi, Sara Simmons, Aaron Vandermeer, David Young

Members Absent: Jeff Bolles, Joe Sciulli

**Guests:** Mohamed Ashraf, Nicolette Campos, Jane Haladay, Mary Ann Jacobs, Lawrence Locklear, Ottis Murray, Elizabeth Normandy, Sara Oswald, Conner Sandefur, Melissa Schaub, Karen Stanley

#### **Order of Business**

- A. Roll Call
- **B. Approval of Minutes** The Minutes were approved 19-0-0
- **C. Adoption of Agenda** The agenda was adopted 21-0-0 as amended. The word "Interim" was removed from the title of Interim Provost Zoe Locklear.
- D. Reports from Administration
  - 1. Chancellor—Robin G. Cummings

Chancellor Cummings welcomed the appointment of Zoe Locklear as the permanent Provost. Dr. Cumming then informed the Senate the size of the freshman class (1233) was the largest in the history of UNCP. He noted that the university's budget was based on a smaller total enrolment, and the final enrolment (6455) would result in some surplus funds. The Chancellor announced a "Faculty Spotlight" segment at football halftimes that would feature Outstanding Teaching Award recipients, and offer them seats in the Chancellors Box.

2. Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs—Zoe Locklear

Dr. Locklear announced her intention to work with the Senate and Executive Committee on a comprehensive attendance policy for the Board of Trustees in addition to amending the changes in the Promotion and Tenure policy changes enacted the previous year.

## E. Reports of Committees

- 1. Operations Committees
  - a. Executive Committee—Scott Hicks

Dr. Hicks made brief comments about the recent Senate retreat

1. Proposal to affirm the celebration of Indigenous Peoples' Day, as resolved by the Student Senate and supported by the Department of American Indian Studies (See Agenda)

Motion passed 21-0-0

2. Proposal that the deadline for the submission of midterm grades shall henceforward be set as two Mondays prior to the deadline for student withdrawals from courses (See Agenda)

Motion passed 21-0-0

- b. Committee on Committees & Elections—Aaron Vandermeer
  - 1. Proposal to appoint Sailaja Vallabha to the Committee on Faculty Governance

Motion passed 21-0-0

- 2. Standing Committees
  - a. Academic Affairs Committee—Jose D'Arruda No Report
  - b. Faculty & Institutional Affairs Committee—Sara Simmons Dr. Simmons reported on the anticipated work of the subcommittees of FIAC (Health Safety and Environment, Faculty Development and Welfare and Faculty Evaluation and Review)
  - c. Student Affairs & Campus Life Committee—Brooke Kelly

### F. Faculty Assembly Report

- **G.** Teacher Education Committee
- H. Graduate Council (See Agenda)
- I. Other Committees No other committees.
- J. Unfinished Business
  - 1. Attendance Policy

Dr. Hicks requested input from the Senate about the process for producing a university attendance policy for the Board of Trustees.

**Motion:** That the Executive Committee of the Senate immediately appoint an ad hoc committee composed of faculty, and students to draft an attendance policy by early October.

**Motion passed 21-0-0** 

- **K. New Business -** No new business
- **L. Announcements** -The Chancellor urged faculty to attend the upcoming football game.
- M. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn Passed 21-0-0

Meeting adjourned 4:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roger Guy, Secretary