The University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Meeting of the General Faculty
Friday, December 7, 2012
3:30 p.m. Moore Hall Auditorium

Dr. Susan Cannata, Chair
Dr. Roger Guy, Secretary

Agenda

A. Approval of minutes of the August 23, 2012 General Faculty Meeting
   Appendix A

B. Adoption of Agenda

C. Reports:
   1. Faculty Senate Chair- Dr. Susan Cannata
   2. Chancellor - Dr. Kyle Carter
   3. Provost / VCAA - Dr. Kenneth Kitts
   4. UNC Faculty Assembly – Dr. Betty Brown
      Appendix B

D. Unfinished Business

E. New Business

F. Announcements

G. Adjournment
Minutes

A. Approval of minutes of the May 4, 2012 General Faculty Meeting: The minutes were approved.

B. Adoption of Agenda: The agenda was adopted as amended to move the Chancellor’s Report to the first item under “Reports.”

C. Reports:

1. Chancellor - Dr. Kyle Carter
   Dr. Carter thanked the faculty for their participation in the events surrounding the beginning of the academic term. He urged faculty to publicize activities related to students so he and the Provost Kitts can attend them. The Chancellor provided updates regarding the searches for the Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs. The Chancellor distributed a report on enrollment. While enrollment declined relative to last year, Dr. Carter emphasized that there was an approximate 50 percent decline in those students who have not paid compared to 2011. The remaining students who have not paid will be offered a payment plan so that they are able to remain enrolled in their courses. Finally the Chancellor urged faculty to be innovative and “empower yourselves” when it comes to proposing new ideas for student success.

2. Faculty Senate Chair Report – Dr. Susan Cannata
   Dr. Cannata reviewed the proposals approved by the Senate in the Spring Semester of 2012.

3. Provost / VCAA - Dr. Kenneth Kitts
   Dr. Kitts echoed the Chancellor in appreciation of the large number of faculty who participated in opening week events. The Provost outlined the reorganization of Enrollment Management. He also announced that Dr. Melissa Schaub would act as
the interim Vice Chancellor for Student Academic Support and Retention. He also announced that the merger of the Office of Institutional Effectiveness and Graduate School into the School of Graduate Studies and Research. The Provost was enthusiastic about the new roster verification process, which has a goal of identifying student intent to remain in courses. He added that 71 percent of the rosters had been verified which amounted to 1187 sections of courses. Six hundred and eleven students had been identified as “not attending” of which 211 had been dropped from the courses for which they were enrolled. Finally the provost welcomed the new faculty.

4. UNC Faculty Assembly – Dr. Betty Brown

Report attached to agenda.

D. Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business

E. New Business: There was no new business.

F. Announcements: The Senate Chair urged faculty to remain active in the faculty senate in the coming year.

G. Adjournment 4:12 p.m.

Respectively Submitted

Roger Guy, Secretary
Appendix B

Faculty Assembly Report

Faculty Assembly Delegates: Betty Wells Brown, Mario Paparozzi, Sara Simmons
This year the Faculty Assembly is working within a committee system. The committees are: Academic Standards and Policies Committee – Articulation Subcommittee, Academic Standards and Policies Committee – International Programs Subcommittee, Academic Standards and Policies Committee – Student Success Subcommittee, Budget Committee, Faculty Welfare and External Communications, and Governance Committee. Sara Simmons and Betty Brown are serving on the Faculty Welfare and External Communications Committee. Mario Paparozzi is serving on the Governance Committee.
We have met with President Tom Ross, Chair of the Board of Governors, Peter Hans, Vice Presidents and directors such as, Suzanne Ortega, Alisa Chapman, Bruce Mallette, Kimrey Rhinehardt, Leslie Boney, Kate Henz, and Dan Cohen-Vogel.

We have discussed areas such as agenda items from the Strategic Planning Committee, information about the General Education Competencies – topics about assessments and articulation agreements. We have looked at the details of the articulation agreements; what is happening with International Programs and how this influences the General Education courses. The Faculty Assembly has also completed a survey on technology usage by faculty. Another area reviewed was measuring academic quality. The following questions were posed:

1. Is there any evidence to support that Academic Quality Measures via Performance Funding metrics positively or negatively impact (1) faculty attitudes, behavior, and teaching (e.g., metrics positively or negatively impact curriculum development) and (2) student learning on your campus?
2. If the performance funding incentives/rewards go to your University rather than the departments/programs, who monitors whether the money benefits the “academic” side of the house?
3. What are the issues with campus-wide examinations (i.e., CLA or similar) as an assessment of quality?
4. How does one collect (and how meaningful are) job placement data (and/or the related 1- or 5-year satisfaction survey).
5. Are there ways to utilize the SACS data/outcomes to answer academic quality in an institution-wide manner?

Areas of concerns that are being discussed in the Strategic Planning Committee are:

1. What is going to happen to core competencies and general education?
2. There seems to be a diminishing faculty role in shared governance.
3. There is a threat to tenure for faculty.
4. The Committee is considering standardized assessment in all universities for general education courses.
5. Will there be a different research emphasis? Will research be relegated to just specific institutions?

Issues to be reviewed in the spring:

• Responses to the strategic plan from Faculty Assembly
• What is happening with shared governance?
• Faculty Assembly with General Administration will revisit the comprehensive articulation agreements.

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