

The University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Faculty Senate Minutes
 Wednesday, February 1, 2017 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
ART Jonathan Maisonpierre	ART June Power	ART Aaron Vandermeer
EDN Joe Sciulli	EDN Carol Higy	EDN Heather Dial Sellers
LET Cynthia Miecznikowski	LET Jesse Peters	LET Enrique Porrua
NSM Tom Dooling	NSM Dennis McCracken	NSM Sally Vallabha
SBS Brooke Kelly	SBS Xinyan Shi	SBS Mitu Ashraf
At-Large Scott Hicks	At-Large Beverly Justice	At-Large Jose D’Arruda
At-Large David Nikkel	At-Large Cliff Mensah	At-Large Polina Chemishanova
At-Large Sara Simmons	At-Large David Young	At-Large John Parnell
Chancellor Robin G. Cummings Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Zoe Locklear		

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

Members Absent: David Nikkel

Guests: Irene Aiken, Steven Arndt, Al Bryant, Bruce DeHart, Jeff Frederick, Richard Gay, Dan Kenney, Lisa Mitchell, Robin Snead, Dennis Swanson

Order of Business

- A. Roll Call**—The meeting was called to order at 3:30PM
- B. Approval of Minutes of December 7, 2016**—The Minutes were approved as disseminated.

C. Adoption of Agenda—The Agenda was approved as disseminated.

D. Reports from Administration

1. Chancellor—Robin G. Cummings

The Men’s Soccer team has been discontinued, with a \$250K impact to budget. UNCP will honor student scholarships for as long as they want to stay here. The Provost Search has a strong pool of 70 applications. They will select a short list next Friday. The search for AVC for Enrollment has begun on-campus interviews. UNCP announced an MOU with School of Veterinary Medicine at NC State. Senator Raeburn. We seek to form an agreement in the area of Agribusiness. Academic Partners was selected to partner with our online MBA program -- the goal is to be ready by August. Regarding the new School of Business building, we were given permission from NC Legislature to continue to raise money until December 31. An RFP for a design company has been narrowed down to five finalists. The \$3M Prospect Road DOT project is underway. The Strategic Plan for the UNC System has been released -- this is an important document that we intend to spend time discussing. We have articulation agreements with about 13 community colleges. We are going to sign articulation agreement with Louisburg College.

2. Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs—Scott Billingsley
UNCGA sent out instructions to commence with the annual low productivity review. Programs must graduate seven students per year over a five-year period in order to avoid this designation. UNCP currently has 17 undergraduate and six graduate programs on the list. We have made some attempts to combine programs and create concentrations. 10 departments have faculty searches going on right now. Additionally, searches are in progress for AVC for Enrollment, Campus Administrative Coordinator at Sandhills campus, Provost, and Assistant Director in Admissions. All Chancellors were assigned to specific initiative for the System Strategic Plan. Dr. Cummings was chosen for “Access.” Some of that language ended up in final version. GA is working on coordinating marketing efforts for NC Promise. Dr. Stewart Thomas was chosen to be the interim Associate Provost. He possessed the knowledge and experience to get up to speed quickly, had been Associate Dean, Interim Dean, and also had minimal disruption of teaching load. NC GAP is now called NG Undergraduate Degree Completion Improvement Plan. It was decided to let each of the system schools make improvements on their own to address the issues that NC GAP originally wanted to address. A 66-page report is available, describing what the system schools are doing to address those issues.

E. Reports of Committees

1. Operations Committees

a. Executive Committee—Sara Simmons

As an information item, Chancellor Cummings’ New Year’s Message was included as Appendix B in the Agenda. An update on the work of the Learning Management System (LMS) Advisory committee was sent to Senators via email today. The Servant Educator Workshop will be held February 8 at 3:30 in the

Pinchbeck Facilities conference room. Feedback of Senators is important. Jodi Phelps, Executive Director of University Communications and Marketing, was a guest at most recent FIAC meeting to solicit additional feedback on the proposed Media Policy. Electronic portfolios for promotion and tenure are being discussed, but we are not moving to an electronic format for next year. Faculty Senate chairs have been sharing university statements about the White House Executive Order “Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States.” Faculty Assembly is looking at it, too.

b. Committee on Committees & Elections—Tom Dooling

1) Replacement of two members of two subcommittees

- (i) Approval of Pam Morgan to be on the Curriculum Subcommittee (NSM Division, through end of 2016-17 academic year)

Approved 22-0-0

- (ii) Approval of Richard Barnes to be on the General Education Subcommittee (Business/Economics position; through end of 2017-18 academic year)

Approved 22-0-0

2) Vote for the new Senate Officers for the next academic year

- (i) Senate Chair—The nominees are Jesse Peters and Polina Chemishanova. Jesse Peters was elected as Faculty Senate Chair for 2017-18.

- (ii) Senate Secretary—The nominee is Aaron Vandermeer.
Motion: Approval without vote.

Approved 21-0-1

c. Committee on Faculty Governance—Jesse Peters

There are no action items. There is discussion of planning a faculty-led event for new faculty. It would be social in nature, but also a way to encourage new faculty to participate in the faculty governance process.

2. Standing Committees

a. Academic Affairs Committee—Jonathan Maisonpierre

1) Proposals from the Curriculum Subcommittee

- (i) Proposal from the Department of Elementary Education:

- (a) Program Proposal: add an Elementary specialization to the current Master of Arts in Teaching degree (Approved 9-0-0);
See Appendix C in the Agenda

Approved 22-0-0

- (ii) Proposals from the Department of History:

- (a) Program Proposal: Revise advanced history options for B.A. in History (Approved 9-0-0); See Appendix D in the Agenda

Approved 22-0-0

- (b) Program Proposal: Revise advanced history options for B.A. in History with Social Studies Education (Approved by

9-0-0); See Appendix E in the Agenda

Approved 22-0-0

2) Proposal from the General Education Subcommittee:

- (i) Add PAD/PLS 2010 - American State & Local Government, Administration & Policy - to the Social Sciences Electives section of the General Education Curriculum (Approved 9-0-0); See Appendix F in the Agenda

Approved 22-0-0

3) Proposal from the Enrollment Management Committee:

- (i) Proposal to revise wording of the Military Student Success Policy (Approved 9-0-0); See Appendix G in the Agenda

Approved 22-0-0

- (ii) Military Deployment Agreement form to accompany the Military Success Policy (Approved 9-0-0); See Appendix H in the Agenda

Approved 22-0-0

b. Faculty & Institutional Affairs Committee— Jesse Peters

There are no action items. Jodi Phelps (University Communications) redrafted the Media Policy. Many of the changes that faculty and staff asked for are reflected in the new version. If senators have comments about electronic portfolios for Faculty Evaluation, please send comments. Air quality is being tested in some of our buildings – the AVC for Finance and Admin will share the results.

c. Student Affairs & Campus Life Committee—Brooke Kelly

There are no action items. SACL has produced a draft of a Quick Reference Sheet for advisors regarding Financial Aid. If senators have any additional ideas for the reference, please contact Dr. Kelly.

F. Faculty Assembly Report (Appendix I in Agenda)

G. Teacher Education Committee Report (Appendix J in Agenda)

H. Graduate Council Report (Appendix K in Agenda)

I. Other Committee Reports

J. Unfinished Business

K. New Business

L. Announcements

M. Adjournment—The meeting was adjourned at 4:48PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Aaron Vandermeer, Secretary