The UNC-Chapel Hill Office of Faculty Governance publishes *Faculty Governance News* eight times a year. Send information to be considered for inclusion to Anne Whisnant or Kathryn Turner on the Monday before an issue is scheduled to appear.

**Faculty Council meeting rescheduled to January 29**

Due to the weather and suspension of most university activities late last week, the Faculty Council and General Faculty meeting originally set for Friday, January 22 has now been moved to Friday, January 29, 2016. It will be held at the same time (3:00 pm) and place (Kerr Hall Room 2001) as originally planned. [The agenda and materials are online here.](#) Most important …

**Ferrell to retire as Secretary of the Faculty**

Professor Joseph Ferrell, the second longest-serving secretary of the faculty in the history of Carolina, will leave that office upon the
Summary of December 2015 Faculty Council actions

In December, the Faculty Council heard a presentation about the Thrive@Carolina program. Over the past year, the program opened four student success positions, expanded transition courses for new students, awarded grants for active-learning classes, launched student success tools, and convened a student retention working group. The goal of the program is to encourage student success based on a number of factors …

Nominations for 2017 Honorary Degrees due February 1

The faculty’s Committee on Honorary Degrees and Special Awards invites your nominations for candidates for UNC honorary degrees to be awarded at the 2017 May Commencement ceremony. A maximum of five of these prestigious awards will be given to recognize individuals who have rendered outstanding service to humanity in the world arena, in our nation, in the American South, or our State …

Nominations open for 2016 Thomas Jefferson Award

The faculty’s Committee on Honorary Degrees and Special Awards invites nominations for candidates for the 2016 Thomas Jefferson Award. This award, established in 1961, is given annually to “that member of the academic community who through personal influence and performance of duty in teaching, writing, and scholarship has best exemplified the ideals and objectives of Thomas Jefferson.” Any active member of the …

Faculty Athletics Committee to hold listening session March 2
The Faculty Athletics Committee (FAC) invites the University community to join them for their spring listening session, to be held March 2, 2016, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm in Toy Lounge, Dey Hall. Members of FAC look forward to hearing concerns and responding to comments and questions regarding athletics and academics at UNC. Contact committee chair Joy Renner at …

Read more.

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**Public Service Awards call for nominations**

The Carolina Center for Public Service (CCPS) oversees the annual selection of three campus-wide awards honoring individual students, faculty, staff and University units for exemplary public service and engaged scholarship. Nominations are being accepted and award recipients will be honored at a spring celebration where they receive a monetary award and framed certificate. Click [here](#) for more information.

**Eble honored with Mary Turner Lane Award**

Longtime faculty member Connie Eble (English) was honored with the Association for Women Faculty and Professionals' (AWFP) Mary Turner Lane Award. [Read more](#) about Professor Eble's accomplishments at the University Gazette.

**Service to remember**

**UNC Library’s Will Owen set for Jan. 29**

Please join to remember friend and colleague Will Owen, who passed away unexpectedly on December 2.

Service to honor and remember Will Owen
Friday, January 29, 2016, 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Carolina Inn, Chancellor’s Ballroom
Reception to follow

Among those making remarks will be UNC Chancellor Carol Folt, University Librarian Sarah Michalak, art historian Henry Skerritt, and Fenway Libraries Online director Walter Stine. Attendees will also have an opportunity to share their own remembrances of Will.

No RSVP is required. Please address questions to Liza Terll at liza_terll@unc.edu. More information is available [here](#).
Nominations open for C. Knox Massey Awards

Nominations for the 2016 C. Knox Massey Distinguished Service Awards are due Feb. 5, 2016. Chancellor Carol Folt will recognize six recipients for “unusual, meritorious or superior contribution made by an employee, past or present” and the honor includes an award of $7,500. Nominations can be submitted at http://www.unc.edu/masseyawards/nominate/

Sister Circle offers networking for UNC CH women of color

The UNC Sister Circle is a group for faculty and staff who identify as women of color. The group provides an opportunity to fellowship, network, and find supportive colleagues to bond with. Monthly lunch discussions are held at on and off campus locations, as well as additional events sporadically throughout each semester. Contact Dawna Jones at dawnaj@email.unc.edu for more information.

Nominations open for University Awards for the Advancement of Women

The award recognizes contributions to the advancement of women at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and, in particular, for people of all genders who have contributed in one or more of the following ways:

- Elevated the status of women on campus in sustainable ways;
- Helped to improve campus policies affecting women;
- Promoted and advanced the recruitment, retention, and upward mobility of women;
- Participated in and assisted in the establishment of professional development opportunities for women; and/or
- Participated in and assisted in the establishment of academic mentoring for women.

Please click here for more information about nominating a deserving candidate. Deadline to nominate is February 12.

Parr Center for Ethics sponsors forum on university building naming

The Parr Center for Ethics invites the UNC community to a wide-ranging discussion about the ethical implications of the naming of university facilities. "What's in a Name? Moral and Historical Considerations of Naming University Facilities" will feature expert panelists:

- Al Brophy (Judge John J. Parker Distinguished Professor of Law)
- Fitz Brundage (William B. Umstead Professor of History and Chair, Department of History)
- Cecilia Moore (Task Force on UNC-Chapel Hill History)
- Ted Shaw (Julius L. Chambers Distinguished Professor of Law and Director of UNC's Center for
Civil Rights)

• Moderating: Amy Locklear Hertel (Director, UNC American Indian Center).

This event will be held Monday, January 25, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the University Room at Hyde Hall, and attendance is free.

Student Stores Pharmacy now open

The new Student Stores Pharmacy is ready to serve students, faculty and staff. The pharmacy is located on the third floor of the Daniels Student Stores building and is operated by UNC Campus Health Services. Pharmacy hours are 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Faculty Governance calendar

Below is a list of upcoming faculty governance meetings. All are open to the faculty and the public unless noted below. Meeting schedules and locations are subject to change on short notice. See the full schedule here.

January 25: Faculty Executive Committee
January 27: Copyright Committee
January 28: Faculty Information Technology Advisory Committee
January 29: Faculty Council (moved from January 22)

February 1: TENTATIVE: Chancellor's Advisory Committee
February 2: Community and Diversity Committee
February 5: Administrative Board of the Library
February 5: Fixed-Term Faculty Committee
February 5: Agenda Committee
February 8: Faculty Welfare Committee
February 8: Faculty Executive Committee
February 9: Faculty Athletics Committee
February 10: Honorary Degrees and Special Awards Committee
February 12: Committee on the Status of Women
February 12: Educational Policy Committee
February 12: Committee on University Government
February 18: Faculty Information Technology Advisory Committee
February 19: Faculty Council

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