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Faculty Council to meet Friday, March 20, 3:00 pm

The Faculty Council will meet this Friday, March 20, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm in the Hitchcock Multipurpose Room of the Stone Center. The agenda is now online here. Annual reports from several committees will be presented, including Scholarships, Awards, and Student Aid; Committee on the Status of Women; Buildings and Grounds Committee; and University Committee on Copyright.

The minutes from the February 20 Faculty Council meeting are online here.

Arts and Sciences Dean candidate forum featuring Karen Gil moved to Stone Center before Faculty Council, March 20

This Friday's (March 20) informational forum featuring Karen Gil, one of the four candidates being considered for the position of Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, has been moved to the Hitchcock Multipurpose Room at the Stone Center to make it more convenient for those who also wish to attend the Faculty Council meeting. The candidate forum will now be held from 2:00 to 2:45 p.m. to be followed at 3:00 by Faculty Council. Refreshments will be served.

Faculty elections kickoff coffee hour to be held Wednesday, April 8, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., in the Faculty Commons at the Campus Y

Faculty elections season will kick off this year with an informational coffee hour for faculty on Wednesday, April 8, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Anne Queen Faculty Commons at the Campus Y. The Office of Faculty Governance, which will sponsor the event, invites all faculty members to drop by for light midmorning refreshments, including coffee and pastries.

The event will provide an opportunity to learn something about Faculty Governance from Secretary of the Faculty Joe Ferrell, pick up a sample ballot, and get a copy of the Faculty Code of University Government. We'll also be recognizing this year's candidates for Chair of the Faculty, McKay Coble, Professor of Design and Chair of the Department of Dramatic Art; and Arne Kalleberg, Kenan Distinguished Professor of Sociology. The election for Faculty Chair takes place every three years; the winner will take office July 1st.

The annual faculty elections will be conducted during the week of April 13-20 via a survey that will be emailed to all members of the Voting Faculty. Look for our Voting Guide online at the Faculty Governance website and in the University Gazette on April 1.

Thomas Jefferson Award nominations now being accepted (deadline is March 27)

The faculty Committee on Honorary Degrees and Special Awards is now accepting invitations for the 2009 Thomas Jefferson Award. The deadline for nominations is March 27.

The Thomas Jefferson Award was established in 1961 and is presented 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."

The award will be presented by the chancellor at the April 24 Faculty Council meeting. Nominations can be sent to the Office of Faculty Governance, Attention: Committee on Honorary Degrees and Special Awards, Campus Box 9170, or emailed to Joseph Ferrell, Secretary of the Faculty, at jsferrel@email.unc.edu.

Complete information, including a list of former recipients, is available [here](#).

Employee Forum posts video and transcripts of March 2 community budget meeting online

On March 2, the Employee Forum held a community meeting to discuss the university's budget situation. A transcript and video of the event have now been placed online. The transcript may be found at <http://web.archive.org/web/20120320155602/http://forum.unc.edu/documents/CommunityMeetingProceedings-3-2-09.pdf>, while the video of the event can be viewed in two ways: (1) Go to <http://carolinaunion.unc.edu/podcast> and click on the picture. It should play if you have Quick Time installed on your computer. (2) Access this video in the campus iTunes U site. Go to <http://itunes.unc.edu> and click on 'open Carolina on iTunes U.' Once you get to the main UNC page in iTunes, click on 'Division of Student Affairs' on the left hand menu, then on Great Hall Events under Carolina Union. Again, to use this route of access, you will need to have iTunes installed on your computer.

Provost's Committee on LGBTQ Life invites participation in survey

The Provost's Committee on LGBTQ Life is sponsoring a "Campus Climate Survey" to determine the prevalence of harassment of UNC-CH community members on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression (actual or as presumed by others) and the service/resource needs of people who have experienced

harassment. The results of this study will provide a foundation for improved educational programming and advocacy efforts to improve the campus climate for all UNC-CH community members. The study has been approved by UNC-CH Institutional Review Board (study #08-1291).

You can view the results of the survey at the link below:

UNC-Chapel Hill Campus Climate Survey

If you have any questions or concerns about this study, please contact Terri Phoenix (tphoenix@email.unc.edu) or by phone at 919-843-5376.

Celebration of life announced for former Chemistry chair Bill Little

Plans have been announced for a celebration of life service for former UNC faculty member and chair of the Chemistry Department Bill Little. Details are available on the Chemistry Department website.

Senator John Kerry will deliver Weil Lecture, March 20

U.S. Sen. John Kerry will deliver the Weil Lecture on American Citizenship at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on March 20. The 2:30 p.m. lecture, which is free and open to the public, will take place in the Hill Hall auditorium. The Weil Lecture is sponsored by the Institute for the Arts and Humanities through the generous support of the Weil family. View the Institute's calendar entry for details:
<http://iah.unc.edu/calendar/weil2009>.

North Carolina Conference of AAUP sponsors Marc Bousquet lecture on "Higher Education and the Low-Wage Nation," March 20

The North Carolina Conference of the American Association of University Professors will hold its annual meeting on the UNC campus March 20-21, 2009.

The meeting will kick off with a free public lecture by Marc Bousquet, author of *How the University Works: Higher Education and the Low-Wage Nation* (New York University Press, 2008). The lecture will take place Friday, March 20, at 7:00 p.m. in the FedEx Global Education Center Auditorium at the corner of McCauley and Pittsboro streets in Chapel Hill. The talk, co-hosted by UNC's AAUP Chapter, will be followed by a wine and hors d'oeuvres reception.

Conference events continue on Saturday, March 21, when the NC-AAUP will host a series of practical workshops at FedEx Global on faculty and the budget crisis, conflicts of interest with big donors, and the new corporate image of private colleges. Faculty and graduate students are encouraged to attend the workshops. Pre-register now for just \$25 (fulltime faculty) or \$15 (part-time faculty or graduate student). Show up at the door on the day of the workshops? The cost is \$30 and \$20 respectively the day of the conference without pre-registration.

Go to <http://www.nc-aaup.org/> for all the details, to register, and to download a poster for the event. If you have questions, please email: ncaaup@rtpnet.org.

UNC Association of Women Faculty and Professionals accepting nominations for Mary Turner Lane Award (deadline is April 6)

The Mary Turner Lane Award is given annually by the UNC Association for Women Faculty and Professionals to a woman judged to have made an outstanding contribution to the lives of women on the UNC-Chapel Hill campus. "Outstanding contribution" is interpreted broadly, touching all areas of the lives of women (students, faculty, staff, administrators) on campus. It includes, but is not limited to, achievements that enhance women's lives through the following: scholarship, teaching, leadership, health services, social services, political activism, professional advancement, program development, and staff support.

The award, established in 1986, is named to honor Mary Turner Lane, founding director of the Curriculum in Women's Studies and the first recipient of the award.

Formal nominations will be accepted by email and should include:

- The nominee's name
- A paragraph (or two) describing the nominee's contributions to women at UNC and why she is deserving of the award
- Nominator's name, department name and contact information (email, phone)

Please forward nominations to Joy Kasson at jskasson@email.unc.edu by Monday, April 6, 2009.

LearnIT adds links to training resources

On Saturday, February 28, the ITS computer based training (CBT) service ended. LearnIT is offering links to online tutorials and other resources to help the campus community continue to find training opportunities. Tutorials are available for Microsoft Office applications (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Access), Oracle Calendar, Web authoring, Blackboard, and other instructional technologies. The site also has links to face-to-face training providers on campus and in the Triangle area. For more information, go to <http://learnit.unc.edu>.

Faculty Governance Reading Room

Articles, books, or other resources of interest to faculty. This week's selection:

- The Academic Performance Tournament (from Inside HigherEd, 16 March 2009)
Inside HigherEd uses NCAA academic progress and graduation success statistics to break down the NCAA men's basketball tournament bracket and advance the teams with the better performance in the classroom. The winner this year? UNC-Chapel Hill!

About Faculty Governance News

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For more information on any of these items, please contact Anne Whisnant in the Office of Faculty Governance.