Chancellor's Advisory Committee Elected Committee Annual Report for 2003

For presentation to Faculty Council (tentative): January 16, 2004

Membership:

Class of 2004:

Philip Bromberg, Medicine Della Pollock, Communication Studies--Chair Lars Schoultz, Political Science

Class of 2005:

David K. Guilkey, Economics Madeline G. Levine, Slavic Languages and Literatures Barbara B. Moran, Information and Library Science

Class of 2006:

Melissa Bullard, History Peter Coclanis, History Etta Pisano, Radiology

Ex officio, with vote:

The Chair of the Faculty, Judith Wegner, Law The Secretary of the Faculty, Joseph S. Ferrell, Government

Report prepared by: Della Pollock, Chair, with committee review

Committee charge:

The Faculty Code of University Government states that the Advisory Committee "is advisory to the chancellor in any matter deemed important by the chancellor or the committee, and particularly with respect to: 1) proposed amendments to the trustee policies and procedures governing academic tenure; 2) academic planning and assessment; 3) appointment of vice chancellors, deans, and other senior administrators; and 4) recommendations for corrective action" pursuant to reports by the Faculty Hearings and Faculty Grievance Committees re: specific conditions of promotion and tenure.

Committee mission: In its new distinction from the APT committee, the Advisory Committee has also begun to develop a complementary sense of mission and working principles, reported in the minutes of August 27, 2003 meeting:

"As a point of operational consensus, the Committee agrees with Chancellor Moeser that building and maintaining the excellence of the university must be our guiding priority in all matters. As members of the faculty, we see this priority relating to three key variables: students, faculty, and programs. Given the chronic nature of the current budget crisis, the expectation of additional budget cuts, and our shared sense that the recently promulgated Academic Plan—while potentially useful in some contexts—is not an adequate strategic plan, we recognize the primary need for long-range planning with particular attention to:

- Recruitment, retention, and support of faculty
- Rigorous budget reallocation and program review
- Equally vigorous attention to processes for developing new research and interdisciplinary initiatives
- Addressing the important issues of faculty, student, and staff morale under current circumstances.

The Committee understands the foregoing as articulating a set of guiding principles to which we will continually return as we address diverse topics. Those topics may be brought to the Committee by the chancellor or they be brought to the chancellor by the Committee on it own initiative."

Previous Faculty Council questions or charges: None.

Report of Activities:

The Committee meets monthly with the chancellor, and often a second time to discuss related issues and/or matters referred by the Appointments, Promotions, and Tenure Committee.

Topics addressed in conference with Chancellor Moeser included the preliminary report on prospects for a new Performing Arts Complex; the system proposal to allow exemptions to the 18% out-of-state enrollment cap (briefing by Vice Provost and Director of Admissions Jerry Lucido); the chancellor's proposal to review doctoral programs; plans for Carolina North (briefing by Vice Chancellor Tony Waldrop); the SACS reaccreditation process (briefing by Executive Associate Provost Bernadette Gray-Little).

Four resolutions re: amendments to procedures governing academic tenure have been approved by the Committee and forwarded for review to the Faculty Council.