

Chancellor's Advisory Committee
Elected Committee
Annual Report for 2013
For Presentation at the Faculty Council: March 28, 2014

Membership

Term ends 2014

- Wendy Brewster, Medicine
- Lissa Broome, Law
- Eileen Parsons, Education

Term ends 2015

- Andrea Biddle, Public Health
- Evelyne Huber, Political Science
- Joy Kasson, American Studies

Term ends 2016

- Bruce Cairns, Medicine
- Joy Renner, Allied Health
- Peter Mucha, Mathematics

Ex officio, with vote

- Jan Boxill, Philosophy; Chair of the Faculty
- Joseph Ferrell, School of Government, Secretary of the Faculty
- Abigail Panter, Chair, Committee on Appointments, Promotions, and Tenure

Reporting: Evelyne Huber, Chair of CAC for 2013-2014

Committee Charge

The Faculty Code of University Government states that:

Section 4-5. Advisory Committee.

(a) The Advisory Committee consists of nine elected members, the chair of the faculty, the secretary of the faculty, and the chair of the Committee on Appointments, Promotions, and Tenure.

(b) The 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. review of school and departmental statements of criteria for appointment, promotion, and tenure;
3. academic program planning and assessment;
4. appointment of vice chancellors, deans, and other senior administrators;
5. recommendations for corrective action
 1. pursuant to a report of the Faculty Hearings Committee with respect to a decision not to reappoint a probationary-term faculty member, or
 2. pursuant to a report of the Faculty Grievance Committee with respect to a decision not to promote to a higher rank a person holding permanent tenure at the rank of associate professor or assistant professor; and
6. appointment and renewal of appointment of the faculty marshal and appointment and

review of the faculty athletics representative. [Added April 24, 2004, to reflect adoption of [§ 3-3 and 3-4.]

No faculty member may serve simultaneously as an elected member of the Advisory Committee and the Faculty Executive Committee; the Committee on Appointments, Promotions, and Tenure; the Faculty Hearings Committee; or the Faculty Grievance Committee.

(c) The secretary of the faculty serves as secretary of the committee.

(d) The committee holds regular meetings once each month, at such time and place as fixed by the committee and the chancellor. The presiding officer is the chancellor, or, in his or her absence, the chair of the Advisory Committee. Special meetings may be called by the chancellor or the chair of the Advisory Committee. Notice of a special meeting called by the chair is given to the chancellor. Whoever calls the special meeting presides.

Report on Activities

The Committee met regularly with the Chancellor, up to May 2013 with Holden Thorp and starting in September 2013 with Carol Folt.

The main topics discussed since the last report to the Faculty Council included the transition from Chancellor Thorp to Chancellor Folt; the ongoing ramifications of the NCAA football investigation; reorganization of the Academic Support Program for Student Athletes; general issues of oversight of academic programs; and the report from the committee chaired by former Governor Jim Martin. Other topics included the handling of sexual assault and harassment; rankings by US News and World Reports; results from an alumni survey; UNC's steep increase in external research funding; budget outlook; tuition increase proposals; and faculty and administrative personnel updates (e.g., searches, retirements, departures, replacements, new appointments, corrective action recommendations). We also discussed UNC's special mission as a leading public research university. Finally, we discussed at length issues related to the Strategic Plan for the entire UNC system that is being elaborated by a state-wide advisory committee, particularly the rules on drop-add periods and the attempts to draw up lists of required courses that would be recognized across campuses. We also issued a call for nominations of candidates for the next Chair of the Faculty, and after due deliberation we chose two nominees.

No recommendations for specific action by Faculty Council are proposed.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyne Huber, Chair