

**Faculty Executive Committee
(Elected by the Faculty at Large)**

**Annual Report to the Faculty Council
December 8, 2006**

Elected Members:

Alice Ammerman (Public Health, '08)
Bill Balthrop (Communications Studies, '09)
Robert Dalton (Academic Affairs Library, '07)
Connie Eble (English, '07)
David Gerber (Surgery, '08)
Suzanne Gullede (Education, '09)
Evelyn Huber (Political Science, '07)
Lloyd Kramer (History, '08)
Steve Matson (Biology, '07)
John Orth (Law School, '09)
Ellen Peirce (Business, '08)
Rebecca Wilder (Dental School, '09)

Those who completed their service at the end of the 2005-06 academic year are:

Pamela Conover (Political Science, '06)
Noelle Granger (Medicine, '06)
Laurie Mesibov (Government, '06)
Ross Simpson (Medicine, '06)

Ex Officio Members:

Judith Wegner (Chair of the Faculty through June '06)
Joseph Templeton (Chair of the Faculty beginning July '06)
Joseph Ferrell (Secretary of the Faculty)

Meetings: The Faculty Executive Committee (FEC) meets twice monthly throughout the year. The Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost, currently Bernadette Gray-Little, attends alternate meetings, and other administrators and chairs of various faculty committees join the FEC as appropriate. The FEC also meets periodically with Chancellor Moeser to discuss topics of importance.

Charge: The FEC is charged in the Faculty Code to: (1) exercise the consultative powers delegated to the Faculty Council; (2) exercise the legislative powers of the Council when prompt action is required; (3) serve as an advisory committee to the Chair of the Faculty; (4) represent the Faculty Council and General Faculty in advising the University administration with respect to issues that the Committee deems important to the University's mission; (5) work with various officers and groups within the University toward the realization of goals set in actions of the Council; (6) report to the Council on the status of implementation of resolutions of the Council; and (7) serve as members of the Faculty Council.

Activities This Past Year: Over the past year, the FEC has considered topics such as enrollment growth, tuition policies, distance learning, the state health plan, a new entrepreneurial activities policy, retired faculty concerns, university policies on gifts, Campus Y renovation plans, public service to the state of North Carolina, athletics, student and faculty retention issues, and university budget processes. In addition, time was spent analyzing the implications of the special

scholarship provision adopted by the legislature that reclassifies non-resident student scholarship recipients as residents for tuition purposes. Carolina North, workplace wellness, and ERP (enterprise resource planning) are additional topics that have been considered by the FEC during the past year.

The FEC also devoted considerable attention to graduate education. Working together with the Dean of the Graduate School and the Provost, the role of graduate education at UNC was highlighted in presentations to the Board of Trustees. A meeting with President Erskine Bowles last spring provided an opportunity to articulate faculty priorities. The FEC met once each semester last year with faculty colleagues at NCSU at a dinner hosted by the provosts at UNC and NC State, and we met with them again in November 2006. Faculty at both schools shared a number of concerns, including, for instance, the importance of assuring sufficient graduate student support.

Priorities for the FEC this year include staying in touch with our Faculty Assembly delegation on PACE (President's Advisory Committee on Efficiency) strategies and other important goals for the University system.