

Annual Report of the
COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY GOVERNMENT
For Presentation to the Faculty Council on
December 12, 2003

Current Members:

Joseph S. Ferrell, Secretary of the Faculty (ex officio)
Elizabeth Gibson, School of Law (2006), Chair
Don Higginbotham, History (2005)
Michael Lienesch, Political Science (2005)
Mary Lynn, Nursing (2005)
Janet Mason, School of Government (2006)
Vincas Steponaitis, Anthropology (2006)
Thomas Warburton, Music (2004)

Members leaving the committee this year: none

Meeting Dates: January 6, 2003; February 17, 2003; February 26, 2003; March 26, 2003; May 21, 2003; September 16, 2003; October 7, 2003; November 4, 2003; December 10, 2003.

Annual Report prepared by: Elizabeth Gibson, chair. This report covers the period from January 2003 to December 2003.

Committee Charge. Section 4-19 of *The Faculty Code of University Government* reads as follows:

4-19. Faculty Committee on University Government.

- (a) The committee shall consist of seven members appointed by the chancellor, serving for staggered and renewable terms of three years each. The secretary of the faculty will serve as an ex officio member.
- (b) The committee shall be especially concerned with the continuing development, adaptation, and interpretation of *The Faculty Code of University Government*. Subject to the powers of the University's Board of Governors and president, and of the Board of Trustees and the chancellor of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, the *Code* represents legislation enacted by the faculty regarding forms of internal organization and procedures at this institution which are deemed necessary for its fair and effective operation.
- (c) The committee should periodically review the existing *Code* and solicit suggestions for its improvement, and should recommend appropriate amendments in the *Code* for consideration and vote of the General Faculty. As provided under Article I of the *Code*, it should consider and report on other proposals to amend the *Code* and shall also periodically make appropriate adjustments of the elective representatives in the Faculty Council. The committee may also consider and report on special questions of University governance which may be referred to it by the chancellor or members of the faculty. The

committee shall be especially concerned with maintaining internal forms and procedures of academic administration which reflect principles of democracy and equity, vision and adaptability, and quality and responsibility, toward achieving the intellectual aims of the University.

Report of Activities. *Resolutions Presented and Adopted.* The committee completed its work related to the following resolutions, which the General Faculty approved on first reading on January 10, 2003 and adopted on January 17, 2003:

Resolution 2003-1. Amending *The Faculty Code of University Government* as it relates to the specification of officers of Arts and Sciences Divisions and eligibility to vote for and hold such offices.

Resolution 2003-2. Amending *The Faculty Code of University Government* as it relates to the responsibilities and membership of the Advisory Committee on Undergraduate Admissions.

The committee also presented the following resolution, which was approved by the Faculty Council on first reading on January 17, 2003, and adopted on February 7, 2003:

Resolution 2003-3. Amending *The Faculty Code of University Government* to establish a Committee on Appointments, Promotion, and Tenure.

Resolution Presented. The committee presented at the November 14, 2003 meeting of the Faculty Council the following resolution, which it recommends for approval on first reading at today's meeting (with a vote on second reading to follow in January):

Resolution 2003-11. Amending *The Faculty Code of University Government* as it relates to The General Faculty, The Faculty Council, Officers of the Faculty, and Standing Committees.

Ongoing. The Committee on University Government has several matters before it that it will be considering in the upcoming year. These issues include the committee's response to the Faculty Council's Resolution 2003-7 regarding procedures for appointments, promotion, and tenure; response to Resolution 2003-10 regarding faculty input into the selection of the faculty representative to the ACC; review of Faculty Code provisions regarding appointment and removal of deans and department chairs; consideration of a restructuring of the Committee on Instructional Personnel and its Subcommittee on Professional Schools; and review of other articles of the Faculty Code.