

Annual Report of the  
**COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY GOVERNMENT**  
**For Presentation to the Faculty Council on**  
January 20, 2006

**Current Members:**

Joseph S. Ferrell, Secretary of the Faculty (ex officio)

Elizabeth Gibson, School of Law (2006)

Carol Jenkins, Health Sciences Library (2007)

Michael Lienesch, Political Science (2008), chair

Mary Lynn, School of Nursing (2008)

Janet Mason, School of Government (2006)

William Smith, Mathematics (2007)

Vincas Steponaitis, Anthropology (2006)

**Members leaving the committee this year:** William Andrews, English (2007), Don Higginbotham, History (2005)

**Meeting Dates:** February 1, 2005; March 9, 2005; April 6, 2005; October 12, 2005; November 21, 2005; December 12, 2005.

**Annual Report prepared by:** Michael Lienesch, chair. This report covers the period from January 2005 through December 2005.

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

**4-19. Faculty Committee on University Government.** (a) The Faculty Committee on University Government consists of seven members appointed by the chancellor. The secretary of the faculty serves as an ex officio member.

(b) The committee is 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 periodically reviews the existing *Code* and solicits suggestions for its improvement; based on its review the committee recommends appropriate amendments in the *Code* for consideration and vote of the General Faculty. As provided under Article I of the *Code*, the committee considers and reports on other proposals to amend the *Code* and also periodically makes appropriate adjustments of the elective representatives in the Faculty Council. The committee considers and reports on special questions of University governance which are referred to it by the chancellor or members of the faculty. The committee is 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 presented the following resolutions, which were approved by the General Faculty on the dates indicated:

**Resolution 2005-1. Amending *The Faculty Code of University Government* as it Relates to The Duties of the Faculty Grievance Committee** (approved on first reading on January 14, 2005, and adopted on second reading on February 11, 2005).

**Resolution 2005-2. Amending *The Faculty Code of University Government* to Abolish the Committee on Instructional Personnel and to Delete References to It, to Provide for Faculty Review of Tenure and Promotion Recommendations, to Provide for Faculty Consultation With Respect to Appointments and Promotions Conferring Permanent Tenure and Appointments to Full-Time Fixed-Term Faculty Positions, and to Establish a Standing Committee on Fixed-Term Faculty** (approved on first reading on January 14, 2005, and adopted on second reading on February 11, 2005).

*Resolutions Presented.* The committee presents today the following resolution, which it recommends for approval on first reading at today's meeting (with a vote on second reading to follow in February):

**Resolution 2006-1. Amending *The Faculty Code of University Government* as it Relates to the Membership of the University Committee on Copyright.**

*Ongoing.* In response to a request from the chair of the faculty, the Committee has continued its review of Articles 6-13 of *The Faculty Code of University Government* with the intention of proposing amendments that will promote consistency among provisions and bring the *Code* in line with current faculty governance and University practices.

## **Appendix 1**

### **Report of the Committee on University Government on Resolution 2006-1.**

The Committee on University Government proposes this Resolution, as requested by the Chancellor in a letter to the committee of April 21, 2005, to add the UNC Press Director or designee as an ex officio member of the committee on copyright. Since the UNC Press Director's designee currently serves as a member of the committee, this resolution reflects present practice and establishes permanent ex officio membership on the committee for the Director or designee.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee on University Government

Joseph S. Ferrell, Elizabeth Gibson, Carol Jenkins, Michael Lienesch (Chair),

Mary Lynn, Janet Mason, William Smith, Vincas Steponaitis.