

Annual Report of the
COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY GOVERNMENT
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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 resolution, which was approved by the General Faculty on the dates indicated:

Resolution 2008-2. Amending *The Faculty Code of University Government* as it Relates to Officers of the Faculty (approved on first reading January 25, 2008 and adopted on second reading March 28, 2008).

Ongoing. In the coming year the Committee will consider possible amendments to Article 12 of the Faculty Code in response to continuing concerns about the size and method of appointment of the Administrative Board of the Library.

Respectfully submitted,
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