

Resolution 2003-6. Comprehensively Amending the Instrument of Student Judicial Governance.

WHEREAS at its January 10, 2003 meeting the Faculty Council received the recommendation of the Committee on Student Conduct, dated December 31, 2002, to adopt a comprehensive revision of the Instrument of Student Judicial Governance; and

WHEREAS the Faculty Council believes that successful pursuit of the University's mission depends on the shared commitment of faculty members, students and staff to the pursuit of truth and the dissemination of knowledge to succeeding generations of citizens who will be devoted to the high ideals of personal honor and respect for the rights of others; and

WHEREAS these goals can only be achieved in a setting in which intellectual honesty and personal integrity are highly valued; other individuals are trusted, respected, and fairly treated; and the responsibility for articulating and maintaining high standards is widely shared; and

WHEREAS the campus Honor System, as embodied in the Instrument of Student Judicial Governance, is the long-standing means by which members of the University community express their desire to hold themselves and others accountable for pursuing these goals on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS important improvements in the Honor System can be achieved through periodic comprehensive revision of the Instrument of Student Judicial Governance; and

WHEREAS the Chancellor's Task Force on the Student Judicial System offered important recommendations for such improvements; and

WHEREAS the Committee on Student Conduct has reviewed these and other ways in which the Honor System might be improved and has submitted a comprehensive revision of the Instrument of Student Judicial Governance to achieve related significant goals; now therefore

The Faculty Council resolves:

Section 1. The amendments to the Instrument of Student Judicial Governance submitted by the Committee on Student Conduct by its action of December 31, 2002 as amended by Faculty Council are approved and the Student Congress and the Chancellor are urged to approve this comprehensive revision as soon as possible.

Sec. 2. The Council asks the Chancellor, the Provost, the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, deans, department chairs, unit heads, faculty members, students, staff, and all other members of the University community to embrace a broad goal of making Carolina's program for fostering student commitment to honor and integrity the most effective and widely respected in the country through strengthened and coordinated efforts of students, faculty, and staff in the contexts of both academic and student affairs.

Sec. 3. The Council urges the Chancellor, Provost, and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, working with the Committee on Student Conduct and other campus leaders, to develop, implement, and report upon an action plan that will

- a. create an intellectual culture that places honor and integrity at the center of all aspects of the University enterprise and involves all members of the University community in an active partnership for wide-ranging reflection and discussion of related themes;
- b. empower faculty and students to understand and implement the Honor System at UNC in an exemplary fashion; and
- c. provide infrastructure needed to achieve these goals.