Chancellor's Advisory Committee (Elected Committee) Annual Report for 2017

For Presentation at Faculty Council, January 12, 2018

Members of the Chancellor's Advisory Committee:

Terms Expire 2018: Paul Caudros (Media & Journalism)

Lloyd Kramer (History), Chair

Richard Myers (Law)

Terms Expire 2019: Jim Hirschfield (Art)

Matthew Howard (Social Work)

Joy Renner (Medicine)

Terms Expire 2020: Suzanne Gulledge (Education)

Mark Katz (Music)

Laurie McNeil (Physics and Astronomy)

Ex Officio: Carol Folt (Chancellor)

Leslie Parise (Chair of the Faculty) (expires 2020)

Vincas Steponaitis (Secretary of the Faculty)

Jessica Smith (APT Chair)

Advisory Committee Charge:

"The committee is advisory to the Chancellor in any matter deemed important by the chancellor or the committee.... The Committee holds regular meetings once each month, at such time and place as fixed by the committee and the chancellor. The presiding officer is the chancellor, or, in his or her absence, the chair of the Advisory Committee."

Meetings in 2017

1/24, 2/7, 3/7, 4/10, 8/23, 9/26, 11/1, 12/5

Activities

This committee does not take official actions or votes, but it is responsible for nominating candidates for chair of the faculty. This nomination process was successfully completed in 2017 and a new chair of the faculty was elected. Most of the committee's work thus consisted of monthly meetings with the chancellor at which both faculty members and the chancellor exchanged their views on key campus issues. Such issues included ongoing concerns about state budgets, relations with the Board of Governors, the resolution of NCAA investigations, the SACS accreditation, changes in faculty morale, the University's new Strategic Plan ("Blueprint for Next"), and the launch of "For All Kind: The Campaign for Carolina."

The Committee also began to discuss its role within the wider system of faculty governance and within the diverse advisory processes that serve the Chancellor. Committee members would like to revise the current Faculty Code description of the Advisory Committee's tasks, and proposals for such revisions will be considered in the coming months. In addition to considering how the official description of its duties might be revised, the committee has discussed how it might more effectively perform its ongoing advisory service. An outside consultant attended a recent committee meeting and helped committee members examine how they could alter some of their methods for advising the Chancellor and exchanging ideas. The committee's advisory role is distinctive in that it offers diverse perspectives on evolving opportunities and problems that affect the whole University, but it does not develop specific policies or official resolutions.

The Committee does not propose or recommend any specific action by Faculty Council.