January 18th, 2002

Executive Committee of the Faculty Council
(Elected by the Faculty Council)
Annual Report to the Faculty Council

Elected Members: Robert Adler (Business, '02); Alice Ammerman (Public Health; alternate for Panter, Fall 2001); Thomas Clegg (Physics & Astronomy,'02); Charles Daye (Law, ’04); Noelle Granger (Cell Biology & Anatomy, '03); Arne Kalleberg (Sociology, '02); Donna LeFebvre (Political Science, ’03); Bobbi Owen (Dramatic Art, ’04); Abigail Panter (Psychology, ’03; on leave Fall 2001); Richard Pfaff (History, ’03); Nancy Raab-Traub (Microbiology, ’02); Ronald Strauss (Dentistry, ’04); Jan Yopp (Journalism, ’04). Ex Officio Members: Sue Estroff (Chair of the Faculty); Joseph Ferrell (Secretary of the Faculty).

Meetings: The Executive Committee of the Faculty Council (ECFC) meets twice monthly throughout the year. The Provost attends many of the meetings, and in the past year there has also been attendance at some meetings by other administrators, including Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Nancy Suttenfield, Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Studies Tony Waldrop, Vice Chancellor for Information Technology Marian Moore, and Associate Vice Chancellor for Government Relations Evelyn Hawthorne. Other guests at ECFC meetings in the last year have included Professor Laurie McNeil (Physics & Astronomy), chair of the curriculum review; Bill Balthrop, professor and chair of Communication Studies and chair of the FITAC (Faculty Information Technology Advisory Committee); and Professor Kay Lund (Cell & Molecular Physiology) of the Academy of Distinguished Teaching Scholars at UNC-Chapel Hill. The ECFC also has regular meetings with Chancellor Moeser to discuss topics of importance to the faculty and to the chancellor. This year ECFC also met with Mayor Rosemary Waldorf and Councilman Bill Strom in order to discuss improving town/gown relationships.

Charge: The ECFC is charged in the Faculty Code to: (1) exercise the consultative powers delegated to the Faculty Council; (2) exercise the legislative powers of the Council when prompt action is required; (3) serve as an advisory committee for the Chair of the Faculty; (4) represent the Faculty Council and General Faculty in advising the University administration with respect to issues, such as planning, that the Committee deems important to the University’s mission; (5) work with various officers and groups within the University toward the realization of goals set in actions of the Council; and (6) report to the Council on the status of implementation of resolutions of the Council.

Activities This Past Year: The ECFC last year devoted continuing attention to several major issues and initiatives, and has also advised the University administration on faculty concerns with respect to other matters, including those noted below under the three main categories of the ECFC Long-term Agenda.

The Academy

- Proposal for a UNC-Chapel Hill academic institution in Qatar
- Review process for deans and other administrators
- The Academic Plan
- Faculty Code revision
- Administrative relocation of the CTL
- Review and reform of the Student Honor Court system
- College curriculum revision
- Student evaluation of teaching
- Honorary degrees
- The place of athletics in the University

**The Campus as a Workplace**

- Impact of state budget cuts
- Academic calendar
- Relations with the General Assembly
- Impact of construction on campus
- Horace Williams grounds
- Transportation issues
- Library budget and overhead costs
- Teaching assistant unionization and living wage
- Health insurance
- Child-care services and facilities
- State Personnel Act

**Community and Diversity in our Social Community**

- Race issues on campus
- Gender salary disparity
- Priority registration for student-athletes
- Town/gown relationships in the post-Bond and pre-Horace Williams era

The committee has in addition nominated numerous faculty to serve on administrative and faculty committees, and has provided invaluable advice to the Chair of the Faculty. While few of the issues and initiatives above have come to a conclusion, progress has been made in many, and efforts are ongoing in several.