

**CHASS Faculty Meeting minutes
November 15, 2001**

The meeting was called to order by Edith Sylla, Chair of the Faculty Council. She noted that there are no minutes of the preceding meeting (last spring) because no Secretary had been designated.

The Chair recognized Prof. Phil Carter, Chair of the Faculty Senate. Prof. Carter recognized the retiring NC State Faculty Senators from CHASS, Sharon Setzer and Arlene Malinowski. He noted that the other CHASS Senators also do a fine job in representing the College.

Prof. Carter invited everyone to the regular Faculty Senate Lunch that takes place every Wednesday in the Senate Chambers and noted that next guest at the Lunch Meeting would be Chancellor Fox.

The Chair recognized Prof. Afroz Taj, Chair of the Academic Life Committee. He announced that the Arts on the Porch Series would be continuing and encouraged those interested in presenting programs or suggesting ideas to contact a committee member (Edith Sylla and Floyd Hayes) or the Chair.

The Chair recognized Prof. Jim Crisp who spoke about the CHASS First Year Seminars. He pointed out that these Seminars are required of all First Year CHASS Students and encouraged faculty to make proposals. The College is currently short at least one Seminar for next year. The topic for all seminars should relate to Ethics and Justice in the World. Seminar organizers receive a \$1000 stipend. Please contact Prof. Crisp or Prof. Malinowski for more information.

The Chair recognized Dean Brady.

Dean Brady welcomed the Dept. of Psychology into the College. She thanked Oliver Williams for his work on the Combined Campaign. Dean Brady noted the CHASS Faculty contributions via the media to the general citizenry's understanding of the events of September 11, 2001. In particular she thanked Prof. Jim Clark and Prof. Tony Stewart for providing some travel money in specific instances.

Dean Brady outlined her priorities for the College with the heading: The New Chass: The Engaged Liberal Arts.

Stemming, in part, from the retreat attended by the Chairs of the departments, the list of priorities includes the following areas of growth.

1. Excellence in Undergraduate Education
 - Improved Merit Scholarships
 - Enhanced First Year Seminars
 - Explore 5-year Undergrad/Grad Degree Opportunities

Revised GERs using holistic approaches

2. Building Faculty for the 21st Century
 - More endowed professorships
 - Better recruitment, retention, and development
 - Flexibility in teaching loads
3. Raising the Profile for Graduate Education and Research
 - 2-3 new PhD programs, interdisciplinary in nature
 - improved graduate student fellowships/stipends
4. Expanding commitment to Extension and Engagement
 - recognize these activities as central to our mission
 - increase support from external sources
 - partnerships with corporations, National Humanities Center
 - new education programs including certificates
5. Internationalization
 - more study abroad opportunities
 - new program for international faculty exchange
 - international recruiting

Regarding the budget and salary issues, Dean Brady commented:

CHASS has taken a 2.8% cut and may face 4% more. If an additional 4% is requested the Provost's office could cover that entire amount. Such an action will reduce the amount available for compact planning. It is possible that the Legislature could take money from research overhead in March. The College needs to diversify funding sources. Presently 86% of the College's funding comes from the State. We are currently in the quiet phase of a fund-raising campaign. So far, 1.4 million dollars have been credited to CHASS.

The Chair invited Dean Brady and Prof. Jim Clark to comment on the College Reappointment, Promotion, and Tenure Committee. They pointed out that information can be found at http://www.ncsu.edu/ncsu/provost/academic_affairs/rpt

Dean Brady provided a handout that included information on the College-level committee. Its composition and selection (7 members, five elected, two appointed by the Dean) and mission (not to retry cases, rather it insures that rules and procedures have been followed) were discussed.

Prof. Bill Jordan and Prof. Chuck Korte will serve the second year of their two-year

terms this year as continuing members. Three new members will be elected to two-year terms, one each from English, Psychology, and Sociology/Anthropology. Two will be appointed by the Dean for one-year terms.

There was some discussion as to whether to maintain the current composition and selection process (should each department be represented, or could this work be done more expeditiously by a committee of three?). It was decided by acclamation that the current committee as it is and will be constituted would report back to the faculty and Dean in the Spring semester regarding the experience and any recommendations they might have.

Various Committee Chairs were recognized by the Chair of the Faculty Council. Their brief reports are summarized below:

Graduate Studies: The planning for the MS in FLL has been approved. The MS in COM is up and running with 12 students enrolled.

Research: The deliberations concerning the Summer Stipends and the FRPD projects have been completed. It appears that 2 Multidisciplinary FRPD possibilities still exist.

International Programs: The upcoming, not-yet-specified major event will deal with the Middle East and run from 2/27-3/7. The search for a new Director of International Programs is underway and the faculty will have a chance to meet the candidates.

At this point the meeting was adjourned. Many faculty members walked to Caldwell to welcome our new Dean by enjoying the reception she kindly provided.