

**The University of North Carolina at Pembroke**  
**Faculty Senate Minutes**  
 Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 3:30 p.m.  
 213 Chavis University Center

Scott Hicks, Chair  
 Roger Guy, Secretary

Members of the Senate:

<b>To 2016</b>	<b>To 2017</b>	<b>To 2018</b>
<b>ART</b> Aaron Vandermeer	<b>ART</b> Jonathan Maisonpierre	<b>ART</b> June Power
<b>EDN</b> Susan Edkins	<b>EDN</b> Joe Sciulli	<b>EDN</b> Carol Higy
<b>LET</b> Polina Chemishanova	<b>LET</b> Cynthia Miecznikowski	<b>LET</b> Jesse Peters
<b>NSM</b> Patricia Sellers	<b>NSM</b> Tom Dooling	<b>NSM</b> Marilu Santos
<b>SBS</b> Rick Crandall	<b>SBS</b> Brooke Kelly	<b>SBS</b> Xinyan Shi
<b>At-Large</b> Jeff Bolles	<b>At-Large</b> Scott Hicks	<b>At-Large</b> Beverly Justice
<b>At-Large</b> Jose D'Arruda	<b>At-Large</b> David Nikkel	<b>At-Large</b> Cliff Mensah
<b>At-Large</b> Roger Guy	<b>At-Large</b> Sara Simmons	<b>At-Large</b> David Young
<b>Chancellor</b> Robin G. Cummings <b>Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs</b> Zoe Locklear		

**Members Present:** Polina Chemishanova Jose D'Arruda, Tom Dooling, Susan Edkins Roger Guy, Scott Hicks, Carol Higy, Beverly Justice, Brooke Kelly, Jonathan Maisonpierre Cliff Mensah, Cynthia Miecznikowski, David Nikkel, Joe Sciulli, Patricia Sellers, Xinyan Shi, Sara Simmons, Aaron Vandermeer, David Young

**Members Absent:** Jesse Peters, Zoe Locklear, June Power, Marilu Santos,

**Guests:** Nick Arena, Mitu Ashraf, Scott Billingsley, Robert Canida, Jeff Frederick, Richard Gay, Elizabeth Normandy, Melissa Schaub, W. Stewart Thomas, Scott Ziegler

**Order of Business**

- A. Roll Call**
- B. Approval of Minutes** - The minutes were approved 18-0-0
- C. Adoption of Agenda** - The minutes were adopted 18-0-0
- D. Reports from Administration**
  - 1. Chancellor—Robin G. Cummings

Dr. Cummings discussed matters relating to Prospect Road and plans from the Department of Transportation to narrow the road to enhance the safety of those crossing. He also reiterated the importance of the Connect N.C. Bond Act on the March 15, 2016, election ballot, noting that significant funds were slated for the UNC

system, Robeson County, and UNCP. The Chancellor discussed the activities under way surrounding the agreement with East Carolina University's Doctor of Physical Therapy Program which sets aside four places for UNCP students who meet the admission requirements. To date no UNCP students have been accepted. He urged the Senate to do as much as possible to prepare students for admission. He also announced ongoing partnerships with Tuskegee University's College of Veterinary Medicine program and North Carolina State University's College of Engineering. Dr. Cummings announced that incoming UNC System President Margaret Spellings will visit campus on March 18 to meet with members of the UNCP and Pembroke community. He concluded by strongly encouraging all faculty to attend the UNCP Chancellor's Installation on April 8, 2016.

2. Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs—Zoe Locklear  
In Dr. Locklear's absence, Dr. Billingsley reported on the searches for the Deans for the School of Business, School of Education, College of Arts and Sciences, and Library. He expects that all positions would be filled by the beginning of the fiscal year in July. Dr. Billingsley concluded by announcing that Dr. Glen Burnette had filled the newly created Vice Chancellor of Strategic Planning and Special Initiatives position. Dr. Burnette had previously occupied the position of Special Assistant for Constituent Relations.

#### **E. Reports of Committees**

1. Operations Committees
  - a. Executive Committee—Scott Hicks
  - b. Committee on Committees & Elections—Aaron Vandermeer
    1. The Committee on Committees & Elections shall conduct the election of the 2016-2017 Senate Chair and Senate Secretary

**The Senate elected Dr. Sara Simmons as Chair of the Faculty Senate and Dr. Aaron Vandermeer as Senate Secretary.**

- c. Committee on Faculty Governance—Jesse Peters - **No Report**
2. Standing Committees
  - a. Academic Affairs Committee—Jose D'Arruda
    1. Proposal from the Department of Music to revise improvisation requirements in minor in Jazz Studies (Academic Affairs Committee, 11-0-0)  
**Motion passed 20-0-0**
    2. Proposal from the Department of Chemistry & Physics to revise requirements for the track in Environmental Chemistry and the academic concentration in Physics (Academic Affairs Committee, 11-0-0)  
**Motion passed 20-0-0**

3. Proposal from the Department of History to delete election options from the minor in American Studies (Academic Affairs, 11-0-0)  
**Motion passed 20-0-0**
- b. Faculty & Institutional Affairs Committee—Sara Simmons
    1. Proposal to revise policies on the selection, succession, terms, and evaluation of department chairs (Faculty & Institutional Affairs Committee, 8-0-0)  
**Motion passed 20-0-0**
    2. Proposal to revise the processes of faculty evaluation of administrators (Faculty & Institutional Affairs Committee, 9-0-0)  
**Motion passed 20-0-0**
    3. Proposal to amend the policies of post-tenure review (Faculty & Institutional Affairs Committee, 8-0-0)  
**Motion passed 20-0-0**
  - c. Student Affairs & Campus Life Committee—Brooke Kelly  
Dr. Kelly announced that a survey would be distributed soliciting opinion on reinstating the activity period on campus, and that Dr. Jeff Frederick would be working closer with SACL on matters pertaining to athletics.

- F. Faculty Assembly Report** (See Appendix H in the Agenda)
- G. Teacher Education Committee** (See Appendix I in the Agenda)
- H. Graduate Council** (See Appendix J in the Agenda)
- I. Other Committees — No Other Committees**
- J. Unfinished Business — No Unfinished Business**
- K. New Business — No New Business**
- L. Announcements** — Dr. Vandermeer reminded the Senate about the upcoming UNCP Jazz Festival.
- M. Adjournment**

Motion to Adjourn passes 20-0-0

Meeting adjourned 4:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Roger Guy, Secretary