

**University Council  
Meeting Minutes  
Park Alumni Center, Hood Room  
Monday, August 13, 2007**

**Members Present:**

Chancellor James Oblinger, Provost Larry Nielsen, Lennie Barton, David Bristol for Warwick Arden, Robert Brown, Thomas Conway, Greg Doucette, Ed Funkhouser for Toby Parcel, Lee Fowler, Blanton Godfrey, John Gilligan, Debbie Griffith, Karen Helm, Cecile Hinson for Ericka Kranitz, Kevin Howell, Mary Beth Kurz, Charles Leffler, Terri Lomax, Marvin Malecha, James Martin, Louis Martin-Vega, Laura Massengill for Gail Willis, Bobby Mills, Kathryn Moore, Susan Nutter, Daniel Solomon, Thomas Stafford, PJ Teal, Ira Weiss, Terry Wood, Johnny Wynne, and James Zuiches

Chancellor Oblinger called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Plenary:**

**Wolfpack in the House (WITH)** – Dick Christy, Associate Athletics Director for External Operations, presented an overview of the WITH program. The purpose of the program is to promote good sportsmanship and communicate the importance of responsible behavior throughout the tailgate areas. Tailgating will be split into two zones – Yellow Zone (Trinity Lot) and Green Zone (Stadium Lot). The function of the zones will be to welcome and greet fans, distribute WITH stickers, answer game day questions, take photos, escort fans, assist with street crossing and alert police if problems arise. The Designated Driver Program is a component of WITH.

**Vice Chancellor for IT** – Larry Nielsen and Charles Leffler, reported that NC State has established the position of vice chancellor for information technology (VCIT). This position will report to the Chancellor and serve as an executive officer of the university. The VCIT will partner closely with both the vice chancellor for finance and business and the executive vice chancellor/provost to envision and execute a progressive information technology strategy that facilitates NC State's: 1) continued technological leadership as a flagship institution of the University of North Carolina system, 2) continued progress as a primary economic engine for the state, and 3) goal as a national and international leader in instruction, research, extension, engagement and economic development.

**Business:**

Chancellor Oblinger reported on the following:

- The Board of Governors' new member orientation was held on August 8. All of the Executive Officers, 11 of the 13 Trustees and two students attended the orientation. The new Board of Trustees members were introduced: Gayle Lanier, Barbara Mulkey, John Sall and Bobby Mills.
- On July 26 and 27, he went to Washington, DC to visit with six Congressional members and participate in three media visits. Also, while in Washington, he attended two NC State alumni events.
- North Carolina is one of five sites being considered for NBAF a National Bio and Agro Defense Facility. The other states being considered are: Texas, Kansas, Mississippi, and Georgia.
- He and Dr. Diana Oblinger joined an economic development delegation from the Research Triangle on a relationship-building visit to China from May 24 through June 5. Other

participants from NC State were Deans Solomon, Lomax, and Martin-Vega. They visited six Universities: Tsinghua University, Peking University, China Agriculture University, Fudan University, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics and one science park: Suzhou.

- The focus areas, supported by the university's strategic plan and compact plan, and include:
  - Preparing leaders for the state, nation and world
  - Creating educational innovation
  - Improving health and well-being
  - Fueling economic development
  - Driving innovation in energy and the environment

Provost Larry Nielsen reported on the following:

- The instructions for the Legislative Increase salary for EPA have been distributed.
- A planning retreat with the Deans will be held on August 27 and 28, 2007 to discuss the elements of strategic marketing.
- Four Millennium seminars will be held in 2007-2008 on the following dates: September 12, October 16, January 31 and March 10.
- The 2007-2008 student headcount is approximately 32,000.

The March 26, 2007 minutes were approved as prepared and distributed.

### **Information:**

The following policies, regulations and programs recently enacted were reviewed including those enacted since the March 26, 2007 University Council Meeting:

- Authority of the Chancellor – POL 01.20.1
- Emeritus Faculty Status and Involvement – POL 05.20.2
- Emeritus Status for Senior Academic Administrative Officer – POL 05.15.2
- Board of Trustees Bylaws – POL 01.05.1
- Parking and Transportation Ordinances – POL 07.60.1
- Academic Tenure Policy – POL 05.20.1
- Employees Exempt from the State Personnel Act (EPA) Policy – POL 05.15.1
- Online Course Material Host Requirements – REG 08.00.11
- Professionships of Distinction – REG 05.20.17
- Emeritus Faculty Status Procedure – REG 05.20.6
- Procedure for Formatting, Adopting, and Publishing Policies, Regulations and Rules (PRR Protocol) – REG 01.25.05
- Discrimination and Harassment Prevention and Response Training – REG 04.25.6
- Firearms – REG 06.05.1
- Service Animals – REG 04.20.5
- Subsistence Allowances – REG 07.65.8
- Name Change for Department of Food Science **TO** Department of Food, Bioprocessing and Nutrition Science

### **Consent Agenda:**

Dean Blanton Godfrey made the motion, seconded by Vice Chancellor Jim Zuiches, to approve the following item on the consent agenda:

- Rev. to POL 04.20.06: Interpersonal Relationships among Faculty, Staff and Students

The motion carried.

### **Roundtable Reports:**

The following announcements were made:

- Vice Chancellor Mary Beth Kurz reported the new Records and Retention Schedule has been approved by General Administration. She is in the process of drafting a regulation.
- Vice Chancellor Terry Wood announced that 2007 was a banner year for the Achieve Campaign. Also, nominations for the Watauga Medal should be submitted by September 13.
- Vice Chancellor Tom Stafford reported student move-in will be held on August 18 and 19. Also, August 20 is the Welcome Week Convocation event scheduled at the RBC Center.
- Vice Chancellor John Gilligan encouraged faculty and departments to write and submit grant proposals.
- Dean Louis Martin-Vega announced that Richard Gould has been named head of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering. Also, Peter Kilpatrick has accepted a position at Notre Dame, January 2008.
- Dean Johnny Wynne announced the Monsanto Company will fund five plant breeding graduate fellowships per year over the next three years, as well as a leadership-training program for plant breeding graduate students.
- Dean Terri Lomax reported that graduate enrollment will reflect an increase this year.
- Dr. Funkhouser announced a number of the CHASS faculty helped to bring new “life” to a series of North Carolina social studies textbooks. The textbooks will be used in the 4th through 7th grades.
- Vice Provost Susan Nutter announced the Friends of Library will be holding their 2007 luncheon on November 12, 2007.
- Faculty Senate Chair James Martin announced he is currently scheduling meetings to meet with the Deans.
- Secretary of the University PJ Teal announced the new Board of Trustees Chair is McQueen Campbell. The BTEC ribbon cutting will be held on September 19. The Board of Trustees will be meeting on September 20 and 21 and the Lifetime Giving event will be held the evening of September 21.
- Alumni Director Lennie Barton announced that effective July 1, five new board members were elected to the Alumni Association Board of Directors for a four-year term.
- Chair-Elect Laura Massengill announced the Staff Senate will host an Open Forum on October 11.
- Student Body President Bobby Mills announced he has spoken at all of the student orientations.
- Student Senate President Greg Doucette reported he has been working on the “Pack the Polls” for the election in October.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.