

NC STATE UNIVERSITY

Chair of the NC State University Faculty Report to the North Carolina State University Board of Trustees

Submitted January 29, 2018

The last report to the Board of Trustees was submitted on October 20, 2017. Since that time, through January 9, 2018 the following topics have been **discussed at the full Faculty Senate**:

1. **Division of Academic and Student Affairs (DASA) (October 31)**

*Dr. Mike Mullen, Vice Chancellor and Dean, Division of Academic and Student Affairs
Herle McGowan, Teaching Associate Professor, 2017 Dennis Boos Citizen Award Winner, and
Chair, General Education Diversity Task force*

Background: In 2016, Provost Arden and then Chair Moore appointed a Task Force to examine the US Diversity course credit hours and co-curricular approach; it examined also the Global Knowledge course. The Faculty Senate meeting was a discussion of options and recommendations identified in the final report for the General Education Program courses. The Academic Policy Committee produced a post-Senate discussion report to summarize key considerations discussed during the meeting.

2. **Human Resources (HR) (November 14)**

*Marie Williams, Associate Vice Chancellor for Human Resources
David Ackerman, Scott Nostaja, Minday Young, Sibson Consulting*

Background: Human Resources is examining its structure and desired to better understand how its procedures and resources can be organized to support campus needs. Scott Nostaja of Sibson led a discussion at Faculty Senate for input as Sibson considers and develops recommendations for NC State's Human Resources procedures. Faculty Senate provided Associate Vice Chancellor Williams a summary of HR-related concerns from the fall Faculty Burden Survey to be shared with Sibson in support of the redesign process.

3. **Academic Analytics (November 28)**

*Mary Lelik, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Strategy and Resource Management
Richard Wheeler, Senior Advisor with Academic Analytics
Jonathan Fink and Kaitlin Singer, Academic Analytics*

Background: Faculty Senate desired to better understanding the value of Academic Analytics, how and by whom it is used at NC State, and under what guiding principles the data is used. Related interests included the nature of the data, its consistency, the breadth of disciplines represented, and related. Faculty indicated an interest in seeing their own data, having the data benchmarked against NCSU faculty data for accuracy, and guidance developed on how the data is to be used at NC State.

4. **NC State's Strategic Plan: The final three years (January 9, 2018)**

Margery Overton, Vice Provost for Academic Strategy

Background: We are entering the last three years of NC State's Strategic Plan "The Pathway to the Future: NC State's 2011-2020 Strategic Plan. Vice Provost Overton will give comment on the FY18-20 Implementation Plan with highlights of substantive progress already made and an overview of actions planned for the next three years.

Other items:

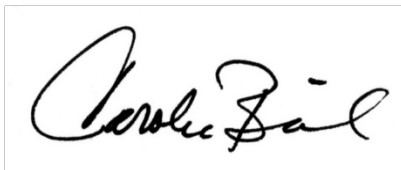
UNC System Office Engagement Survey. The Chair of the Faculty has been a part of a Working Group focused on a successful survey implementation at NC State. Communications to the Faculty Senate included sharing System Office-developed talking points, announcements at Faculty Senate, and plans for an all-faculty reminder email prior to the end of the survey period.

Faculty Elections Spring 2018. Twenty-two senate seats will be up for election or re-election. Immediate Past Chair Jeannette Moore is leading the election efforts to secure candidates for senate seats and for service on two committees: (a) Grievance and Non-Reappointment and (b) Faculty Hearing. Chair Bird issued a call for candidates for Chair-Elect for inclusion on the Spring 2018 ballot. Faculty, by college, will elect their peers to represent them on committees and to serve in the Senate. All faculty will vote for Chair-Elect.

The **Spring General Faculty Meeting** is scheduled for March 20, 2018 in the Talley Student Center, Room 4280. Potential topics have been identified and discussions are underway with potential speakers.

The three **Faculty Senate Committees** (Academic Policy; Governance and Personnel Policy; Resources and Environment) discuss many issues and some of them are resolved without coming to the full Senate. Committee reports are posted on the website: <https://facultysenate.ncsu.edu/>

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Chair of the NC State University Faculty, 2017-2019