

CSAC Minutes

04/18/01 – HC37 – 10:00

In Attendance: Kathleen Ashley, Sandy Booth, Cindy Branton, Meg Coxie, Steve Elliott, Cathy Foister, Elise Henshaw, Lauri Hollingsworth, Mike Honeycutt, Steve Honeycutt, Andrea Jackson, James Johnson, Marilyn Lonon, Deirdre Wiggins, Carolyn Williams, Nancy Williams, Diane Williamson

Absent: Meg Coxie, Annis Lytle, Maggie Smith, and Richard White

Visitors: Wayne McDevitt

Approval of Minutes: Kathleen Ashley, Carolyn Williams

Wayne McDevitt – Mr. McDevitt came to CSAC to discuss the current budget problems. He said the state of North Carolina will experience a 900 million dollar shortfall. The UNC System expects to have to return 32 million dollars with UNCA's share being 500,000 dollars. Steve Elliott asked if the state's contribution to our retirement would be reduced again this year and Mr. McDevitt replied he didn't anticipate this happening. Steve Elliott also questioned the 4% raises the community colleges would be getting and Mr. McDevitt replied that percentage was not definite and he believed the community college system was among the lowest paid community college workers in the nation. Nancy Williams asked Mr. McDevitt's plan on balancing his time dealing with off-campus university business with his duties on campus. Mr. McDevitt stated it was a matter of priorities and asked for our helping in identifying issues on campus that needed more of his attention. James Johnson stated the UNC System was forecasted to increase enrollment by 8% and wondered if UNCA would also increase by this amount. Mr. McDevitt said that while UNCA was planning to grow, it would be at a lower rate than the 8% average.

Elections – This year's election will be held on the web and all staff members are encouraged to visit the CSAC web page (<http://www.unca.edu/csac>) before noon on May 15, 2001. Employees without web access will be given paper ballots.

Parking - Discussion on campus parking issues was deferred until the May meeting.

Carolyn Williams Resignation – Carolyn will be leaving the university and CSAC appreciates her contributions over the years. Her position will be filled as soon as the general elections are completed.

Campus Picnic – July 20, 2001 was selected as the date for the campus-wide picnic. Efforts will be made to accommodate the Chancellor's schedule but he may not be able to attend.

Community College Classes – Sandi Booth asked the status of UNCA employees taking classes at AB Tech without paying tuition/fees. Buffy Bagwell is still exploring the options and hopes to have more information at the May meeting.

UPC Report – Gordon Wilson in Philosophy presented a report to UPC showing UNCA tenured-track faculty were at or near the bottom when compared to the other universities in the state. The average salary faculty salary at UNCA is \$55,523.

Bele Chere Booth – Greg Dillingham suggested CSAC explore staffing a booth at Bele Chere and use the money for the CSAC Scholarship. Steve Honeycutt and Marilyn Lonon will explore the option with administration.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45

