

**University Council  
Meeting Minutes  
November 1, 2004**

**Members Present:**

Robert A. Barnhardt, Linda Brady, Dennis Daley, Lee Fowler, John Gilligan, A. Blanton Godfrey, Adrianna Kirkman for Larry Nielsen, Penny Koommoo, Charles Leffler, Nino Masnari, Laura Massengill, Kathryn Moore, Susan Nutter, James Oblinger, Daniel Solomon, Robert Sowell, Thomas Stafford, PJ Teal, Marvin Malecha, Warwick Arden, Melissa Watkins, Andy Willis, Terry Wood, Johnny Wynne.

Interim Chancellor Robert A. Barnhardt called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The minutes from the September 7, 2004 meeting were approved by consent.

**I. Announcements**

Interim Chancellor Barnhardt announced that the university-wide United Way campaign goal of \$444,000 has been surpassed and now stands at \$445,117.

Provost Oblinger said that a press release announcing Larry Nielsen as Interim Provost had been released on Thursday. Dr. Oblinger said he and Dr. Nielsen will work together for an orderly transition. A national search for Dr. Oblinger's successor will be conducted by a 17-person search committee, which will be chaired by Charlie Leffler.

Interim Chancellor Barnhardt reviewed all recently enacted regulations, including those enacted since the September 7 University Council meeting. Those regulations are as follows:

- Personal Care Attendants for Students with Disabilities – REG04.20.6
- University Space – REG07.25.14
- Faculty Enrollment in Advanced Degree Programs – REG05.20.12
- Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities – REG02.20.1
- Interim Chancellor Barnhardt announced a department name change. The Department of Forestry will now be the *Department of Forestry and Environmental Resources*.

Dean Marvin Malecha led a discussion on the issue of on-campus summer camps and the funding of participants with special needs. The discussion focused on who should pay for special arrangements that have to be made for those participants and how the funding policy can be made more clear for everyone involved.

**II. Renaissance Computing Institute (RENCI)**

Daniel Reed, Chancellor's Eminent Professor, Vice Chancellor for IT and CIO, UNC-CH and Director, RENCI, Duke University, NC State and UNC-CH made a presentation on what RENCI is and how the administration, faculty and staff can make use of it.

### **III. Board of Trustees Policy 01.30.1 Holladay Medal for Excellence**

Senior Vice Provost Katie Perry asked the University Council to approve a revision to the policy on the Holladay Medal for Excellence. This revision increases the number of nominees sent to the Board of Trustees from five to ten. The number of awards will remain zero to five. The revision also reformats the policy into the preferred Policy, Rules and Regulations style. Dean Marvin Malecha made the motion, seconded by Dean Nino Masnari to approve the revision to the policy on the Holladay Medal for Excellence; the motion carried.

### **IV. Intent to Plan New Baccalaureate Program: B.S. in Turfgrass Science**

Interim Dean Johnny Wynne asked the Council to approve making the current turfgrass management concentration in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences to a major. The new Turfgrass Science major will be administered by the Crop Science department. Dean Masnari made the motion, seconded by Dean Godfrey, to approve turning the turfgrass management concentration into a new Turfgrass Science major; the motion carried.

### **III. Roundtable Reports**

The following announcements were made:

- Assistant to the Chancellor for External Affairs Andy Willis reminded everyone to vote tomorrow. He also announced that the Board of Visitors will be meeting Friday, and that he's still working with the Office of the President on budget priorities.
- Chair of the Staff Senate Laura Massengill announced that the Staff Senate has passed a resolution on textbook vouchers. It is now ready for Interim Chancellor Barnhardt's review.
- Athletic Director Lee Fowler announced that the men's cross country team won its fourth straight ACC title this past weekend, and the women's team placed third. He reminded everyone that the football game Saturday is against Georgia Tech.
- Vice Chancellor Terry Wood announced that the Alumni Association will hold its first "Evening of Stars" this Friday to honor 16 distinguished alumni.
- Graduate Student Association President Penny Koommoo announced that the fall service project is well underway. This fall's project is a food drive combined with a social event.
- Vice Chancellor Tom Stafford announced that the Board of Trustees will be reaffirming the tuition increase for each of the next two years at its next meeting. He also reminded everyone that this weekend is parents' weekend and that the Family of the Year will be recognized.

- Vice Provost and Director of Libraries Susan Nutter reminded everyone about the exhibit in the D.H. Hill Library between that is on display until December 22 to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the GI Bill of Rights and to honor the veterans who have attended North Carolina State University. In conjunction with the exhibit, NCSU Libraries will host a symposium on November 12 on the “The GI Bill Experience.” The Libraries also received a seven-figure grant last month to archive North Carolina records and to serve as a demonstration project for other states.
- Dean Marvin Malecha reported that the College of Design has closed a lease agreement on two spaces – one in Raleigh and one in Prague. The College has also received its largest gift that will be used to build a multi-use pavilion on the Court of North Carolina. The pavilion will be based on the roof design of the Catalano house in Raleigh.
- Dean Linda Brady reported that the Institute for Nonprofits has received a large grant to better serve children in Wake County.
- Dean Dan Solomon announced that the Partners III building will open this month.
- Associate Dean Adrianna Kirkman reported that the College of Natural Resources 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary event was a success.
- Dean Kay Moore reminded everyone that the next Friday Forum will be November 12. The topic will be “Teacher Education: Meeting High Expectations in Difficult Times.”
- Dean Warwick Arden announced that the North Carolina Veterinary Conference will be held this coming weekend. There are 1,000 registrants and the conference is expected to be very successful.
- Dean Blanton Godfrey announced that the College of Textiles has received a \$100,000 grant from the Dole Promise, as well as a Boston Scientific Grant.
- Dean Nino Masnari announced that Building I is now completed and the College of Engineering is now moving equipment into the building.
- Vice Chancellor John Gilligan announced that the proposal development unit is working hard in prioritizing requests and meeting deadlines.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.