

**University Council  
Meeting Minutes  
Park Alumni Center  
Monday, January 10, 2011**

**Members Present:**

Chancellor Randy Woodson, Provost Warwick Arden, John Ambrose, David Bristol, Robert Brown, Randy Colby, David DeFoor, Jayne Fleener, Victoria Gallagher for Jeffery Braden, Blanton Godfrey, Eileen Goldgeier, Karen Helm, Joe Hice, Cecile Hinson, Marc Hoit, Kelly Hook, Kevin Howell, Hans Kellner, Dick Keltie for Louis Martin-Vega, Duane Larick, Charles Leffler, Marvin Malecha, Susan Nutter, Margery Overton, Daniel Solomon, Benny Suggs, Thomas Stafford, PJ Teal, Ira Weiss, Johnny Wynne, Debbie Yow and James Zuiches.

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

**Announcements:**

Chancellor Woodson reported on the following:

- **ALM Rescheduled**  
Due to impending inclement weather, Chancellor Woodson announced that the ALM scheduled for tomorrow morning, January 15, has been postponed to Tuesday, January 18 at 8:00 a.m.
- **Poole College of Management**  
Chancellor Woodson shared that the university is starting the new year with great momentum. In December, NC State celebrated the largest ever gift given to the university. Lonnie and Carol Lynn Johnson Poole provided a \$40 million gift, which includes \$37 million for the Poole College of Management, \$2.5 million to fund The Carol Johnson Poole Clubhouse at the Lonnie C. Poole Jr. Golf Course and \$500,000 to fund The Carol Johnson Poole Endowment for the Humanities and Social Sciences.
- **Magrath Award**  
Chancellor Woodson announced that NC State professor Jay Levine in the College of Veterinary Medicine was part of a team that won this year's C. Peter Magrath award. The national award recognizes an institution's commitment to community engagement. It is annually given by the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU) to one of five regional winners at the annual APLU meeting. With faculty and students from the Colleges of Agriculture and Life Sciences and Design, the project transformed the Wilson Bay ecosystem into a productive recreational site, and turned a wastewater treatment plant into a science learning center, an aquacultural development site and a community park. The award includes a sculpture, which is being displayed here today, and \$20,000 check for the partnership to continue the program
- **President Ross' Visit**  
Chancellor Woodson reminded the group of President Ross' visit to campus on Tuesday, January 25.

- **Budget Update**

Chancellor Woodson then provided a brief budget update. He shared that it will be a difficult year for public higher education across the country. Governor Purdue has directed an additional 2.5% reversion for 2010-11. Fortunately, NC State was already prepared to meet this reversion. In addition, a hiring freeze has been mandated for all non-essential positions. The University System is exempt from this freeze, but President Ross is asking all universities to abide by the freeze to the extent possible. Chancellor Woodson shared that the universities have been asked to anticipate as much as a 15% budget cut for the upcoming fiscal year. He commented that a cut of this amount would have a sizable impact on NC State because of the percentage of the university's budget that comes from state funding. He reassured the group that he would do what he could to make sure NC State remains an academically strong, world-class institution. He acknowledged that it will be difficult to move through this time, but that he has confidence the university can. He reinforced that because of the foreseeable cuts, there is no better time to embark on a strategic plan that will focus us and make us a stronger institution prepared for the future.

- **Provost Welcome**

Before turning the program over to the provost, Chancellor Woodson welcomed Provost Arden to his first meeting as the official provost of NC State.

Provost Warwick Arden reported on the following:

- **Inclement Weather**

The provost announced that classes after 5:00 p.m. this evening will be canceled due to inclement weather. He also indicated that the university would most likely be on a four hour delay in the morning, depending on the weather conditions.

- **Budget Update**

The provost then asked for Vice Chancellor Charles Leffler to provide more information on the budget. Vice Chancellor Leffler reminded the group of a memo that was shared on December 22, outlining guidelines for dealing with budget cuts. He said that the overriding issue dealing with cuts is determining how the university will manage its ongoing commitments. He shared that another memo will be sent later this week with more information regarding the 15% scenario. All signs are indicating that this would not be a one-time budget cut, but a permanent one. Vice Chancellor Leffler closed by reporting that the university has been receiving a lot of questions from the legislature about how money is spent. He said more information would be shared as it becomes available.

**Plenary:**

“The Foundation for Advancing Sustainability: A Strategic Plan for NC State”

Bill Winner and Jack Colby presented NC State's sustainability strategic plan. They discussed the overall plan, along with strategies and tactics. The presentation included guidelines for the plan, aligned with fiscal responsibility. It includes academic and research strategies as well as energy and water strategies. The planning process began over a year ago, gathering input through a variety of methods. The sustainability strategic plan will provide the foundation for how NC State remains responsive to economic and financial saving challenges.

**Information:**

The following policies, regulations and programs recently enacted were reviewed, including those enacted since the October 11, 2010 University Council Meeting:

**New Policies and Regulations**

[Review and Appeal Processes for EPA Non-Faculty Employees](#) (POL05.25.3)

**Revised Policies and Regulations**

[Attendance Regulations](#) (REG02.20.3)

[Employees Exempt from the State Personnel Act \(EPA\) Policy](#) (POL05.15.1)

[Faculty and EPA Non-Faculty Appeals to BOT](#) (POL01.05.8)

[Procedure for Formatting, Adopting, and Publishing Policies, Regulations, and Rules \(PRR Protocol\)](#) (REG01.25.5)

[Non-Salary and Deferred Compensation](#) (POL05.15.3)

[Review of College Deans](#) (REG05.50.2)

[Review of Dean of Undergraduate Academic Programs, Dean of Graduate School, and Vice Provosts](#) (REG05.50.5)

[Watauga Medal](#) (POL01.30.3)

**Notification of New Degree**

- Master, and Master of Science in Biomanufacturing: Intent to Plan and Request Authorization to Establish

**Approvals:**

The October 11, 2010 minutes were approved as prepared and distributed.

**Roundtable Reports:**

The members of the University Council provided updates on events and accomplishments of their respective colleges and units.

**Mini-Retreat: Strategic Planning**