Faculty Welfare Committee Annual Report February 22, 2002

Current Members: Adaora Adimora (2003), Doug Elvers (2002), chair; John Galassi (2002), Laura Hanson (2003), Diane Kjervik (2002), Beth Kurtz-Costes (2004), Michael Peck (2004), Judy White (2003).

Members leaving the committee during the past year: Steven Bachenheimer, Robert Joyce, Stephen Leonard, Michael Symons.

Annual report prepared by: Doug Elvers, Chair. This report covers the period February 2001 through January 2002.

Committee Charge: "The committee works for and reports on the improvement of faculty working conditions, including salary and benefits." *Faculty Code of University Government, 4-15.*

Report of Activities:

- 1. In cooperation with Lynn Williford and OIR, a report was prepared of an analysis of faculty salaries within departments. The report findings were presented to Faculty Council at its September 2001 meeting.
- 2. A resolution has been made in addressing inconsistencies between 12 month faculty vacation time and EPA non-faculty vacation time.
- 3. Consideration has been given to the University setting up its own health insurance plan.
- 4. Current discussions are underway regarding (a) parental leave policies and (b) retirement options.