## REPORT TO THE UNC-CH FACULTY COUNCIL FACULTY ASSEMBLY, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA April 14, 2004

The Faculty Assembly is the elected body of representatives of the faculty of the sixteen campuses of the University of North Carolina. The Faculty Assembly was formed in 1972 when all 16 public senior institutions were placed under one Board of Governors. According to its Charter, the Faculty Assembly has the following objectives:

- 1. The Faculty Assembly of the University of North Carolina shall gather and exchange information on behalf of the faculties of the constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina.
- 2. The Assembly shall, through appropriate channels, advise the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina, the General Assembly, and other governmental agencies and officers on matters of university-wide importance.
- 3. The Assembly shall advise and communicate with the President of the University of North Carolina with regard to the interests of the faculties and other matters of university-wide importance.

The Assembly has an expanded website current located at <a href="http://www.ncfaculty.com">http://www.ncfaculty.com</a>. UNC-Chapel Hill has five delegates elected from the faculty to represent this campus as part of the Assembly with terms as follows: Steve Bachenheimer (2005), Diane Holditch-Davis (2004), Emil Malizia (2006), Carol Pardun (2006), Bonnie Yankasas (2006) and Judith Wegner (ex officio) (2006). Joseph Ferrell, and Fleming Bell serve as alternates. During the current year, the delegates have been organized into standing committees on the following topics: academic freedom and tenure; budget; development; governance; planning/programs/administration; technology; welfare/benefits. In addition, an ad hoc task force on athletics was created and a caucus of historically minority universities was developed.

The Faculty Assembly traditionally meets four times per academic year in the UNC General Administration Building in Chapel Hill. The past year's meetings were held on November 21, 2003; January 23, 2004; February 20, 2004; and April 16, 2004. Meetings generally include presentations by President Molly Broad and other administrative personnel who are part of General Administration (including those responsible for budget, legislative relations, academic oversight, and faculty welfare), as well as meetings of the specified committees. During the current year, the Assembly passed resolutions urging legislative support for faculty and staff salaries; and asking the Board of Governors to refrain from limiting submission of amicus briefs. Other resolutions supported administrative proposals relating to documentation of faculty workload, centralized technology licensing, and study of post-tenure review. In addition, Assembly committees developed and distributed surveys relating to the role of faculty in governance at their respective institutions (see

<u>http://people.uncw.edu/veit/FacAssembly/governance\_benchmarks\_table.doc</u>) and in providing counsel relating to athletics.

Respectfully submitted,

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