

**Committee on Educational Planning, Policies, and Programs**

**Minutes**

365th meeting, September 6, 2007

**Members Present:** Mr. Daniels, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Farris, Dr. Flood, Ms. Goodnight, Ms. Key, Mr. Pitts, Ms. Robinson, Mr. Wilson

**Chancellors Present:** (ex officio members) Chancellor Gilchrist, Chancellor Hackley, Chancellor Ponder

**Other Board Members Present:** Dr. Buffaloe, Ms. Gage, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Phillips, Ms. Sanders, Mr. Souza, Dr. Taylor

**Other Chancellors Present:** Chancellor Depaolo, Chancellor Moeser

**Others Present:** Mr. Atkins, Ms. Bender, Mr. Bostic, President Bowles, Dr. Brewington, Ms. Chapman, Mr. Davies, Mr. Fleming, Ms. Griffin, Dr. Jenkins, Dr. Kanoy, Ms. Killingsworth, Mr. Klingler, Dr. Leath, Mr. Lewis, Dr. Mabe, Dr. Martin, Mr. Mays, Ms. Render, Dr. Rogers, Mr. Rotella, Dr. Roper, Ms. Ryan, Dr. Sadler, Ms. Thompson, Mr. Waldrup, Dr. Williams, Ms. Winner, Ms. Worthington

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Dr. Mabe called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room, UNC General Administration Building.

**Election of Officers**

Dr. Mabe presided over the election of the Chair for the Committee for 2007-2008:

**Chair:** The nomination of Mr. Farris for Chair was made by Mr. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Key. Motion to close nominations passed; Mr. Ray S. Farris was elected by acclamation.

Mr. Farris assumed the Chair and presided over the rest of the meeting.

**Vice Chair:** The nomination of Mr. Dixon for Vice Chair was made by Mr. Daniels and seconded by Ms. Key. Motion to close nominations passed; Mr. Phillip R. Dixon was elected by acclamation.

**Secretary:** The nomination of Ms. Robinson for Secretary was made by Dr. Flood and seconded by Mr. Dixon. Motion to close nominations passed; Ms. Gladys Ashe Robinson was elected by acclamation.

For the benefit of new members, Chairman Farris stated that Dr. Alan Mabe is the primary source for the Committee at GA. Dr. Mabe went on to introduce all staff present at this meeting and their general responsibilities.

It was moved by Mr. Dixon and seconded by Mr. Wilson that the minutes of the June 7, 2007, meeting be approved with one correction - Mr. Farris' name will be added to the list of members present. Motion passed.

The following items were Administrative Action items (*action by consent*):

*Request for authorization to reinstate the following baccalaureate degree program:*

- Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

*Request for authorization to establish the following baccalaureate degree programs:*

- Bachelor of Arts in Archaeology at UNC-Chapel Hill
- Bachelor of Science in Systems Engineering at UNC Charlotte
- Bachelor of Science in Entrepreneurship at Western Carolina University

*Request for authorization to establish the following masters degree programs:*

- Master of Science in Information Technology at NCA&T State University
- Master of Healthcare Administration at Winston-Salem State University

*Request for approval of licensure for the following programs:*

- Licensure of Miller-Motte College to offer new degree programs in Wilmington:
  - Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN)
  - Associate of Applied Science in Dental Assisting
- Licensure of Lesley University (Cambridge, MA) to offer new degree programs in Laurinburg/Scotland County, Durham, and Charlotte:
  - Master of Education (MEd) in Curriculum and Instruction with a specialization in Integrated Teaching through the Arts
  - Master of Education (MEd) in Curriculum and Instruction with a specialization in Literacy
  - Master of Education (MEd) in Technology in Education
  - Master of Education (MEd) in Elementary Education: Profession and Practice

*Report for Information:*

- Intercollegiate Athletic Report (will be presented at a Board Workshop Thursday morning; document is in Board workshop section)

*Establishment of a New Unit:*

- Appalachian State University requests approval to establish University College

Concern over duplication of programs was expressed and Chairman Farris requested that Dr. Sadler describe the review process. Dr. Sadler presented the details for what an institution must provide to put forth a request for authorization to plan or a request for authorization to establish a degree program.

Chairman Farris requested a review of the licensure function of the Board of Governors. Dr. Mabe informed that licensure is assigned to the Board by statute. There is no requirement for needs assessment and the cost is covered by fees. General Counsel Leslie Winner stated that licensure is about consumer protection to ensure good academic quality education.

It was moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved. Motion passed.

Dean William Roper presented the annual report on the UNC Health Care System. Ms. Winner was called upon to refresh the committee's awareness of the structure of the Health Care System. It has its own Board of Directors, which includes the system President Erskine Bowles. It does not report to the Board of Governors, but does provide an annual report on the implementation of flexibility legislation approved by the General Assembly. This flexibility was granted for personnel, purchasing, property, and property construction.

The report provides many examples of quality improvements and cost savings as a result of flexibility. An example of the former has been greater stability in the nursing work force, and of the latter, savings of over \$4 million in purchasing in FY 07, a number which has increased each year since 2000. The use of a single-prime contractor for building the cancer hospital has it on time and shows every sign of keeping it very close to the original budget plan. More examples will be found in the report. The UNC Health Care system has effectively used the flexibility provided by the General Assembly to increase quality of care and to

significantly reduce costs in many areas. It provided over \$122 million of uncompensated care in FY06, the largest amount in history.

The motion was made by Mr. Wilson and seconded by Dr. Flood to approve the report on the UNC Health Care System and recommend it to the Board for endorsement. Motion passed.

Dean Roper also provided an update on discussions regarding the expansion of the UNC Chapel Hill Medical School. North Carolina and the nation are experiencing shortages of physicians which will become more severe as the population grows and ages.

The UNC Medical School is exploring several options for expansion from a first-year class of 160 to 230, including development of satellite campuses elsewhere in the state. Discussions have taken place with the Carolinas Healthcare System about a Charlotte location and teams have been reviewing that option. The Asheville area is being explored as a potential site for a satellite campus. The option of the expansion occurring in Chapel Hill is being explored as well. Each model envisions that the first two years of medical education would occur in Chapel Hill and that students would be dispersed to one or more locations in the state for the second two clinical years. These options will be explored in detail and financial analyses will be developed over the next few weeks, with the expectation that a more detailed progress report will be available by the end of October.

Dr. Martin gave an update on the SREB Program. North Carolina contracts with SREB for 98 spaces in health science disciplines in out-of-state institutions. With the cost of this program projected to increase significantly over the next couple of years and the fact that students are not obligated to return to the state to practice, there was discussion around various options for the future.

Provost Janice Brewington (for Chancellor Battle) provided an update on the progress of the nursing program at NCA&T. A detailed report was submitted to the Committee for review. They have made a change in both the deanship and the associate deanship and have an arrangement with Moses Cone Health Care Systems to have their director of nursing on loan for two years to be NCA&T's clinical coordinator. This represents significant change in the leadership of the program. Requirements for admission to the program have been increased.

Due to time constraints the Committee and Chancellor Hackley jointly agreed to postpone the report on the FSU program until the October meeting.

Chairman Farris adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m.