

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT ASHEVILLE

FACULTY SENATE

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Statement of Faculty Senate Action:

**FWDC 5: Faculty Approval of Candidates for Graduation
Revision of [Section 3.1.4.4](#) in the Faculty Handbook**

Effective date: Immediately

Summary: This document recognizes current circumstances and practices of soliciting and providing faculty approval of candidates for graduation and honors.

Rationale: The Faculty Handbook (3.1.4.4) specifically calls for the names of candidates for graduation and honors to be presented at a “faculty meeting” at “the end of the fall semester, the spring semester, and the summer session.” Summer sessions have been especially poorly attended. Although a faculty meeting is still the preferred venue for seeking and granting the faculty’s approval, this change will allow approval to be sought and given by other means (e.g., email).

Delete 3.1.4.4:

3.1.4.4 Approval of Candidates for Degrees

At the end of the fall semester, the spring semester, and the summer session, a faculty meeting is held at which the names of the candidates for graduation and honors are presented for faculty approval.

Replace with revised 3.1.4.4:

3.1.4.4 Approval of Candidates for Degrees

At the end of the fall semester, the spring semester, and the summer session, the names of the candidates for graduation and honors are presented to the faculty for approval. If approval is not sought at a faculty meeting, the provost will report to the faculty the results of the vote.