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## VISION STATEMENT

The faculty voice in shared governance across the UNC System by way of advocacy, communication, and collaborative effort.

## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the UNC Faculty Assembly is to advise the UNC System President, System Office, and Board of Governors by advocating for the faculty across all campuses in the development of sound policies and practices for world class university education.

*In fulfilling this role, the UNC Faculty Assembly engages in the following practices:*

- Partner and collaborate with Administrators, Staff, and Governing Boards to serve the students and faculty of the UNC System.
- Provide advice and counsel to the UNC President, System Office, and Board of Governors on proposed changes to System-wide policy or the UNC Policy Manual;
- Work with the UNC President and System Office in support of System-wide projects and initiatives that advance the mission of the University;
- Serve as a conduit for communicating faculty perspectives and concerns to the UNC President and System Office;
- Disseminate the UNC System Office information to the faculty at each

or the constituent institutions, both directly and through the Faculty Senates;

- Identify and share ideas and best practices to support the UNC System-wide shared governance and productive collaboration between faculty and administration;
- Promote greater understanding of the role and contributions of faculty to the University and state of North Carolina within the UNC Board of Governors, General Assembly and the broader public;
- Serve as an active representative of the faculty voice at the UNC System Office, Board of Governors, and individual campus committees; and
- Ensure equitable representation and opportunity for all faculty and equal representation for every institution in the UNC System.

## Delegates

Delegates must be full-time members of the voting faculty of their home institution. Each constituent institution chooses its Assembly delegation according to procedures established by campus governance bodies.

The size of delegations is proportionate to the number of budgeted full-time faculty positions on a campus; the representation system allows for two, three, four, or five member delegations. Assembly bylaws specify that the length of a delegate's term should be two or three years, according to the institution's discretion. Bylaws also require the selection of alternate delegates.

The Faculty Assembly Executive Committee provides representation for each of the delegation size-groupings, and the HMI institutions. Members are elected and serve one-year terms. One delegate each is chosen by caucuses of campuses by delegation size:

- Five delegate (ECU, NC State, UNC-Chapel Hill, UNC Charlotte)
- Four delegate (Appalachian, N.C. A&T, UNC Greensboro, UNC Wilmington)
- Three delegate (FSU, NCCU, UNC Pembroke, WCU, WSSU)

- Two delegate (ECSU, NCSSM, UNC Asheville, UNC School of the Arts)

The body as a whole elects two members “at large,” and the chair of the HMI caucus also serves on the Executive Committee. No institution may have more than three members on the Executive Committee, including the Assembly officers.


Officers of the committee include:





- Chair (two-year term),
- Chair-elect (one year term in that capacity before assuming the two-year term as chair)
- Vice Chair (two-year term)
- Secretary (one-year term)
- Parliamentarian (appointed for a one-year term by the chair from among either current or past delegates)

The Assembly also has a staff liaison, who provides support at the UNC System Office.

LIST OF FACULTY ASSEMBLY CHAIRS

The following faculty members have served as Assembly chairs:

Term/Chair	University
1973-1974	
	NC State University
Henry C. Cooke	

Term/Chair	University
<b>1974-1976</b>  Henry C. Ferrell	East Carolina University
<b>1976-1977</b>  Vincent M. Foote	NC State University
<b>1977-1979</b> (1, January)  Roy Carroll	Appalachian State University
<b>1979</b> (2, February – June) 	Elizabeth City State University



Helen M. Caldwell

University

**1979-1981**



Shirley C. Browning

UNC Asheville

**1981-1984**



Alan J. Hauser

Appalachian State University

**1984-1986**



James LeRoy Smith

East Carolina University

**1986-1987 (3, May)**



UNC Wilmington



Betty Jo Welch

University

**1987-1988**No Picture  
Meada Gibb

NC A&amp;T University

**1988-1990**No Picture  
Fred Hinson

Western Carolina University

**1990-1991**

Kathleen Kowal

UNC Wilmington





**1991-1993**

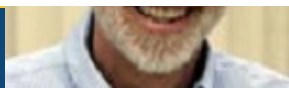
Ken Wilson

East Carolina University

**1993-1995**No Picture  
William Kane

Western Carolina University

Term/Chair	University
<b>1995-1997</b>  Peter Petschauer	Appalachian State University
<b><u>1997-1999</u></b>  <u>Laura Gasaway</u>	UNC Chapel Hill
<b>1999-2001</b>  Keith Howell	UNC Greensboro
<b>2001-2003</b> 	UNC Wilmington



Richard Veit

**University****2003-2005**

Jeff Passe

UNC Charlotte

**2005-2008**

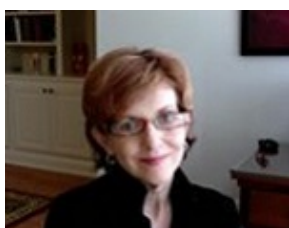
Brenda Killingsworth

East Carolina University

**2008-2010**

Judith Wegner

UNC Chapel Hill

**2010-2012**

Appalachian State University



**University**

**2012-2014**



Catherine Rigsby

East Carolina University

**2014-2016**



Steve Leonard



UNC Chapel Hill

**2016-2018**



Gabriel Lugo

UNC Wilmington

Term/Chair	University
<b><u>2018-2020</u></b>  <u>David Green</u>	North Carolina Central University
<b>2020-2022</b>  Timothy J. Ives	UNC Chapel Hill

- 1 Roy Carroll's term ended when he was appointed Vice President for Planning at the UNC System Office.
- 2 Completed remainder of Roy Carroll's term.
- 3 Betty Jo Welch died in office.



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