Board of Governors Elects New Leadership

The Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina System unanimously elected Harry Smith as chair, Randall Ramsey as vice chair, and Pearl Burris-Floyd as secretary. The terms for the new officers begin in July 1, 2018 and run through June 30, 2020.

Smith, currently the vice chair of the Board of Governors, serves on both the Budget and Finance and Strategic Initiatives committees. Smith was first appointed to the Board in 2013 and then reappointed in 2017. He also serves on the Elizabeth City State University Working Group subcommittee and the University Funding Model Task Force.

Ramsey was appointed to the Board in 2017 and currently

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Commencement Season has come to a close, with more than 35,000 students walking across the stage in the first few weeks of May, bringing our total number of 2017-18 graduates to nearly 54,000.

I had the opportunity to speak to a few of those graduates at Elizabeth City State University and again to graduates at Forsyth Technical Community College. As I told them, the future of our state and nation, the tenor and quality of our public discourse,
UNC System to Co-Host Warfighter Symposium

The UNC System, along with the Offices of United States Sen. Richard Burr and US Sen. Thom Tillis, the NC Military Business Center, and the NC Biotechnology Center will host the Medical, Biomedical & Biodefense: Support to the Warfighter Symposium on June 5-6 in Chapel Hill, NC.

and the integrity of our democracy all rely on their actions, small and large in the years ahead. So, no pressure.

Across the UNC System, our graduation rate has increased six percentage points since 2011. That means thousands of students who, in previous years, might have fallen short for a variety of reasons have instead graduated with a degree and a ticket to a brighter future.

More low-income students are graduating than ever before—20 percent more than in 2011. And our institutions are committed to ambitious goals of further increasing enrollments and completions for rural and low-income students over the next four years.

Take a look at some of the most memorable moments from Spring 2018 Commencements.
This symposium aims to establish a dialogue between industry, academia and government to form partnerships to address the future biomedical and biodefense technology needs of the military and our nation. A session called “Medical Support to the Warfighter” is set to showcase the capabilities of the medical industry in North Carolina to military commands, the VA, and medical prime contractors in our state and beyond. A second session, “Biomedical and Biodefense Support to the Warfighter” will be split with a focus on traditional biodefense R&D topics (such as countering biological weapons) and a focus on military medical R&D topics.

During the two-day conference, the Fort Bragg Research Institute (FBRI) will be launched. The role of the FBRI will be to optimize military performance through scientific innovation. The Institute will assist Fort Bragg investigators and their collaborators, including Fayetteville State University, as they perform research necessary to advance the well-being of our warfighters.

To register for the event, visit: Medical, Biomedical & Biodefense: Support to the Warfighter Symposium.
NC GOVERNOR’S HBCU INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Fifty students representing nine public and private institutions from across North Carolina have been named to internships through the NC Governor’s HBCU Internship Program.

The program created to connect students matriculating at North Carolina’s HBCUs with this state’s Fortune 500 companies. The internships also provide participating institutions with the opportunity to develop long term partnerships with critical industry allies. The internships are paid from annual reoccurring state fund, and applicants must meet minimum academic and computing requirements to be selected to the program, which runs during June and July.

The participating institutions are Bennett College, Saint Augustine’s University, NC Central University, NC A&T State University, Livingstone College, Shaw University, Fayetteville State University, Winston-Salem State University, Elizabeth City State University, and Johnson C. Smith University.

REMINDERS

Human Resources: Stay Connected!

MAY 31

Today is the deadline to submit SHRA Performance Management appraisals.

Visit the Human Resources webpage and stay updated on important dates and deadlines.

Want to be included in the next UNC System e-Newsletter? The deadline is June 15. See your division's communications liaison and send information to submit_news@northcarolina.edu.

WELCOME ABOARD!

We welcome our new colleagues to the University of North...
System Dashboards

After introducing UNC System-level dashboards at the January meeting of the Board of Governors, the Division of Strategy and Policy unveiled institution-level dashboards before the Board’s meeting on Thursday, May 24. The interactive dashboards will serve as a tool to help measure System- and institution-level progress toward goals outlined in the UNC System Strategic Plan. To view the dashboards, click here.

The Insight Project

The Division of Academic Affairs and Information Technology collaborated to roll out Insight, the UNC System's Student Data Mart platform, which is now available to all UNC System universities. Partnering with HelloCampus, the product was launched at UNC Charlotte, UNC Wilmington, and UNC-Chapel Hill. The Insight project is the most recent in a series of successful collaborations between Data & Analytics (D&A) and Information Technology (IT). These projects continue to expand the System's robust data infrastructure, and the project teams maintain a vital link between the System Office and the universities.

To learn more about UNC System data, visit the InfoCenter. The Insight platform provides dashboards and do-it-yourself data to internal System audiences. Stay tuned for the next phase of data evolution – predictive modeling of student success.

Carolina System Office:

- Chandra Langhorne, Employment and Operations Manager, Human Resources
- Kimberly Mitchell, Director for Student Development and ASG, Academic Affairs
- Deborah Perry, Administrative Support Specialist – Records Assistant, NC SEAA
- Edward Pickett, Linux/Windows System Administrator, IT

CLUBS+

Interested in starting a club or hosting a meet-up with other employees?

Send your ideas, along with details and contact information to Human Resources.

NOTE: CLUBS+ and meet-ups are sponsored by individual employees and not by the UNC System. Individuals responsible
Updates from Governance, Legal, Risk

May was Internal Audit Awareness month. During this observance and throughout the year, audit professionals worked to raise awareness of the internal audit profession and its value to businesses and organizations. If you have questions about rules, risks, or options for how to best achieve a task or change a process, contact Joyce Boni and Carol Harris in Compliance and Audit Services.

Lynne Sanders hosted a May 9 retreat for the chief audit officers of the UNC System. Chief audit officers attended to discuss trends/current topics in their field, hear updates from the UNC System Office and the Office of the State Auditor, and engage in a session on leadership/succession planning.

On May 22, John Dougherty spoke with UNC System Student Body Presidents about the recently passed UNC policy, “Free Speech and Free Expression within the University of North Carolina.” Dougherty provided an overview of the policy, shared training resources related to free speech on campus, and answered the student body presidents’ questions about the policy and free speech issues.

The Inaugural UNC System Safety and Security Conference will be held June 6-7, on the campus of UNC Asheville and will provide training and guidance to campus personnel working in student and employee safety, security, and emergency management.

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