

Biographical Data of Candidates for
Chairman-Elect

Robert J. Carlsson, Professor of Economics, (Ph.D. Rutgers University, 1964), University of South Carolina faculty since 1966, Professor since 1976.

Research and publications Applied microeconomic theory

Teaching experience: Undergraduate and graduate courses in economics including courses and student advisement for the Honors College.

University governance experience: Faculty Senate five terms. Three year terms on the following university committees: Curricula and Courses 1990-93; Faculty Advisory 1987-90; Faculty Budget 1987-90, Chair 1980-90; Faculty Grievance 1983-86, Chair 1984-85; Academic Forward Planning 1977-80, Chair 1978-79; Scholastic Standards and Petitions 1968-71. Five year term on Student Scholarship and Financial Aid 1985-90. Also served on numerous ad hoc, self study, departmental, College of Business Administration and College of Humanities and Social Sciences committees.

Although over the years faculty participation in university governance has increased, only very recently has the faculty begun to be involved in the planning process. In this light Professor Becker's 'State of the Faculty' address is well taken. Too often in the past the faculty has been forced to react and adjust to short term situations which were the results of earlier long term decisions in which the faculty was unable to participate. Since President Palms has indicated an increased role for faculty in university governance, this circumstance appears to be changing. Accordingly, the faculty and its committees should become increasingly concerned and involved in the long and short term planning decisions at the highest levels of the university.

Walter Edgar, Department of History

The faculty of the University of South Carolina is entering what will be one of the most challenging periods in its history. Not only are we facing a budgetary crisis, we are also facing a crisis of confidence. What we do is being challenged from many quarters. We need to be able to articulate clearly our values to the greater South Carolina community in which we live and work, the community which supports this institution. Presenting our case to the public is not the responsibility of the University administration. It is ours and ours alone.

Since joining the History Department in 1972, I have believed that faculty participation in the administration and governance of the University--along with teaching, scholarly research, and community service--is an integral part of what we, as faculty, should do. In accord with that belief, I have served one or more terms on ten departmental, five college and ten university committees. I have served the Faculty Senate on the following committees: Facilities and Grounds (Chair), Tenure Review, Parking, Cafeteria, and Space Allocations. Also on the university level, I have chaired several advisory committees--Museum and Archives (six terms) and Horseshoe Restoration (fifteen terms). In addition, I served as assistant department chair and as chair of the Family Fund. Since 1980, I have been director of the Institute for Southern Studies.

Marcia G. Welsh, Department of Developmental Biology and Anatomy, School of Medicine. B.S., M.S., Colorado State University; Ph.D., University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, TX; USC faculty since 1978. Teaching duties are primarily in the Biomedical Sciences Graduate Program and to first year medical students in the School of Medicine. Research is funded by the National Institutes of Health to study structure/function relationships of the mammalian pineal gland. Member of the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Pineal Research* plus reviews articles for 10 other journals. Committee service includes Faculty Senate representative (1983-86; 1992-95), Basic Science Faculty Advisory Committee (1990-93), Faculty Advisory Committee (1989-92; chair, 1991-92), Faculty Budget Committee (1989-92; secretary, 1989-90), Health Professions Advisory Committee (1986-89), faculty representative to the Faculty Liaison and Academic Affairs Subcommittee of the USC Board of Trustees (1991-92), Faculty Senate Steering Committee (1991-92), and faculty participant in the USC System Conference (1991) as well as numerous departmental and School of Medicine committees and University *ad hoc* committees.

Major concerns as a faculty member include (1) accountability of higher education to the citizens of South Carolina; (2) the financial state of higher education in South Carolina; (3) the need to reestablish institutional integrity and public trust; and (4) the traditions of higher education that impact negatively on the learning environment of non-traditional students.