

Annual Report 1996-97

TO: Luke Johnson
Chair of the Faculty Council

FROM: Richard Letz
Chair, Carter Center Faculty Liaisons Committee

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On behalf of the Committee, composed of Dr. Marion Creekmore, Dr. Joyce Jones and myself, I would like to present the following report.

The Carter center Faculty Liaisons program is completing its first year. The purpose of the program is to have Emory faculty members learn about Carter Center program operations, communicate what they have learned to their campus colleagues, and lend their expertise to the programs. Faculty liaisons are paired with specific Carter Center programs. Fifteen liaisons were selected in the Spring of 1996 to begin their appointments as liaisons in September of 1996. A list of the liaisons and the Carter Center Programs with which they have worked is appended.

The Committee convened a meeting with the Carter Center liaisons and the Carter Center program heads on December 17 at the Carter Center. Almost all liaisons and program heads attended. There was heterogeneity in the accomplishments to date of the liaisons, in part reflecting some uncertainty of the nature of the liaisons' roles in the programs (not surprising in the first year of operation of the program) and the absence of release time from regular faculty responsibilities to participate in the liaison program. At the December meeting there appeared to be a sincere desire by many liaisons to be more involved with the Carter Center programs than they had been, rather than less involved. A common theme of the discussion was that a one-year appointment seemed too short and that the liaison appointments should be for 2 years, not just 1. There was much additional discussion at the December meeting, some of it concerning the possibility of adding more

structure to the liaison experience, funding opportunities for student involvement, and special needs of liaisons involved with international programs.

With this discussion in mind, the committee recommends that the liaison appointments be extended to 2 years, with staggering of terms for those programs having more than one liaison. The committee is polling program heads about their needs for new liaisons and which current liaisons will be held over. Many program heads have indicated that they wish to hold over their current liaisons and may need additional ones.

The Committee has scheduled another meeting with the liaisons and program heads for May 6. The purpose of the meeting is to evaluate the work of the liaisons and the program in its first year.

Faculty Council members are asked to canvas their constituencies to solicit applications for new Carter Center Faculty Liaisons. Prospective applicants should discuss plans with current liaisons and Carter Center program heads and forward applications to the Committee.

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Liaison

Department at Emory

Carter Center Program

Program Head
Frans de Waal

Psychology/Yerkes

Conflict Resolution

Harry Barnes
Juan del Aguila

Political Science

Latin America and the Carriibbean

Robert Pastor

Cathy Caruth

English

The Atlanta Project

Jane Smith

Gary Laderman

Religion

Interfaith Health

Gary Gunderson

Jasjit Ahluwalia

Medicine

Interfaith Health

Gary Gunderson

David Davis

Political Science

Human Rights

Harry Barnes

Paul Courtright

Religion

Human Rights

Harry Barnes

Robert Agnew

Sociology

Not Even One

Woody Woodard
Elaine Walker

Psychology

Mental Health

John Gates
Donald Stein

Psychology

Mental Health

John Gates
James Setzer

Public Health

Global 2000

Andy Agle
Barbara Pettit

Medicine

Task Force for Child Survival / Development

Bill Foege
Judy Schmidt

Nursing

Task Force for Child Survival / Development

Bill Foege
Terry Clark

Marketing

Global Development

Gordon Streeb