

## **Committee on Governance: Minutes**

Meeting #18: March 2, 2020

Faculty Governance Office

Present: Kris Boudreau (Secretary, HUA), Tanja Dominko (Secretary of the Faculty, BBT), Glenn Gaudette (BME), Mark Richman (ME), and Wole Soboyejo (Provost).

1. Prof. Gaudette called the meeting to order at 10:37; the agenda was approved.
2. The minutes from meeting #17 were approved.
3. Without amending the agenda to include a new item, COG discussed the meeting that was held between a fraction of COG and a fraction of the Board of Trustees. COG expressed satisfaction that direct communication has opened between members of the Board of Trustees and members of the faculty. In particular, the Provost mentioned that the Policy on Policies has been revised. COG members asked that information about the proposed budget cuts be shared with COG by May 1. All agreed that while WPI must manage the interface between corporate and legal risks, on the one hand, and academics on the other, these priorities should be handled in a way that doesn't bring about new crises for the campus community.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50.

Dutifully submitted,

Kris Boudreau  
Secretary, COG